



St. Paul
Lutheran
Church

**Fifteenth Sunday
After
Pentecost**

**September 18, 2022
9:00 am**

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: ELW # 521 “O Day of Rest and Gladness”

Greeting- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie: pg. 98-99

Hymn of Praise: pg. 101 “This is the Feast”

Prayer of the Day- Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Children’s Sermon

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, “When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: pg.102

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’

³Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’

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⁷Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own?

¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: ELW #655 “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People:

God of grace, Response: **hear our prayer.**

Offering

(We invite the children to gather dollar bills and change for the mission jug.)

Create in Me a Clean Heart– p. 186 (*hymn section*)

Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Sending

Blessing–

Sending Hymn: ELW #669 “Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

Dismissal

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St. Paul Fall Family Fun Today! 3:00 pm Hansell Park

Fun for all ages!
Hayrides -- Kickball -- Lawn Games
Bring your lawn chairs!
Bring your friends!

Pulled pork sandwiches and beans
prepared by Full Throttle Smokin’

Entertainment – Acoustic guitarist Aaron McClanahan

Hansell Winery will be open as well!

Announcements

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Dorothy Madetzke. We thank her for this ministry gift.

The Church Council will meet this Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 pm.

October 9: Riverside Cluster F Women of the ELCA is holding a Fall Gathering to celebrate all of the Women in our cluster as we emerge from the restrictions of the Covid Pandemic. The theme is *Hats Off to You Ladies!* This will be an event to celebrate with each other, enjoy fellowship with each other and enjoy some fun and dessert. **The event will take place here at St. Paul on Sunday October 9 at 2:00 pm.** Wear a hat of your choosing or making. An offering will be taken to help WELCA meet the on-going LSI Spiritual Life Challenge. This event is hosted by WELCA of St. Paul Lutheran Church and sponsored by the Cluster F Riverside Board members. We want to see you on October 9th. Come and have some fun and fellowship!

Coffee Hour Sign Up: We are in need of coffee hour host and hostess to help the youth. A sign up sheet in the fellowship hall. Thank you to those who have signed up!

Radio sponsorship There are opportunities to sponsor the worship broadcast on KLMJ. The cost is \$40.00. The sign up sheet is in the fellowship hall.

Zion's 50th Bazaar will be held at Zion Reformed Church, 2029 Jonquil Ave, Sheffield on Oct. 1 beginning at 11am –2pm. The celebration includes Praise Singing from 10:30 to 11:00 am in the sanctuary, sales of bakery items, cards, napkins, pantry items and crafts. A Menu in the fellowship hall includes pork loin, beef burgers, hot dogs, baked potato bar, potato salad, coleslaw, pie and ice cream with assorted beverages. Many outdoor family events are planned.

