

+The Third Sunday after Pentecost+

June 13th, 2021 | 9am



The Parable of The Automatic Soil and The Mustard Seed

And he said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

Mark 4:26-34



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The Divine Service

When the bells ring, stand and face the cross.

Opening Hymn | Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

LSB 901

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

The Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 92:12–15; antiphon: v. 1

It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.*
**The righteous flourish like the | palm tree*
and grow like a cedar in | Lebanon.**
They are planted in the house | of the LORD;
they flourish in the courts | of our God.*
**They still bear fruit in | old age,*
they are ever full of | sap and green,**

to declare that the LORD is | upright; *
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness | in him.



C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

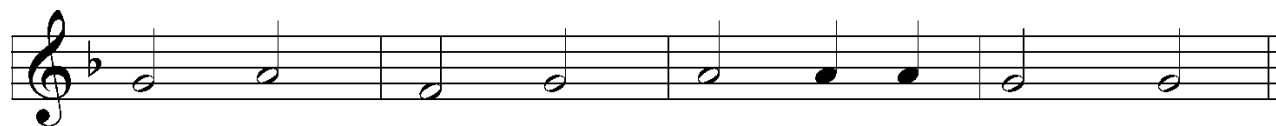
*It is good to give thanks | to the LORD, *
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.*

Kyrie

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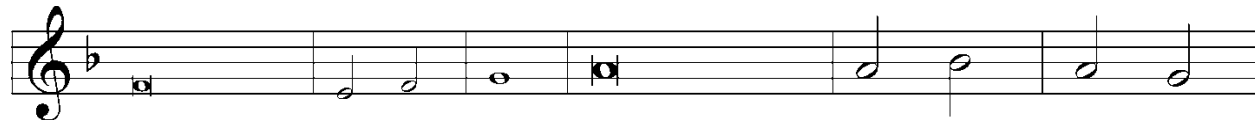
C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

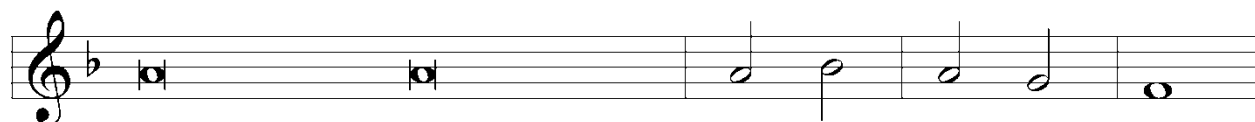
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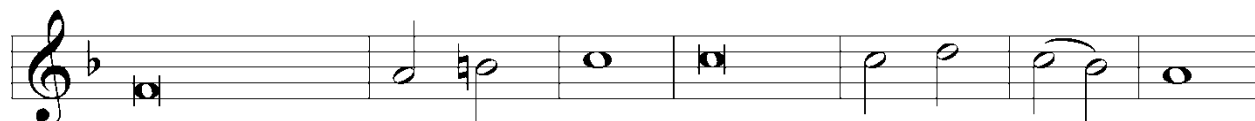
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



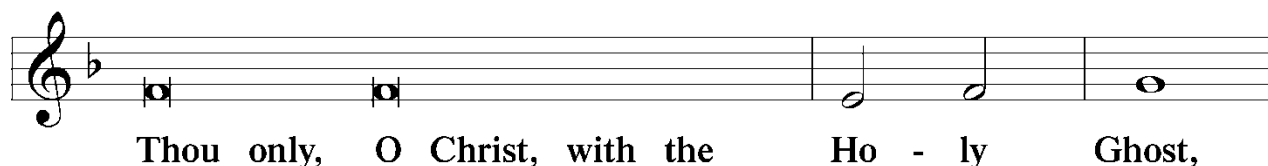
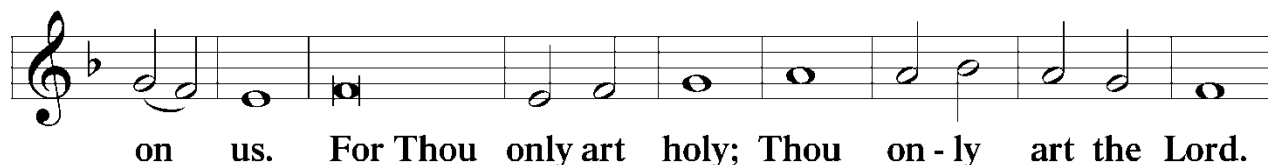
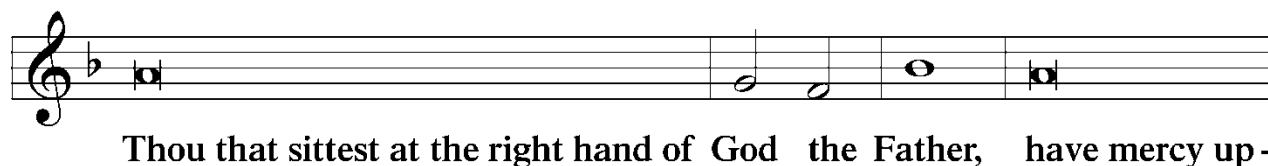
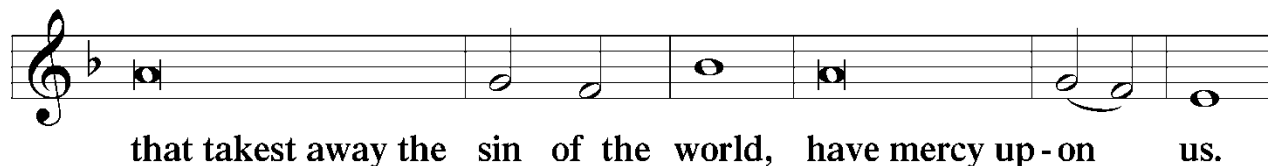
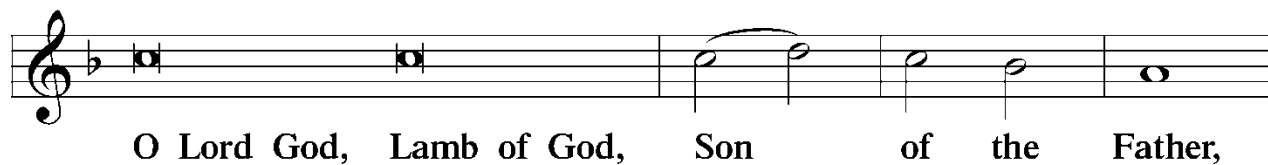
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



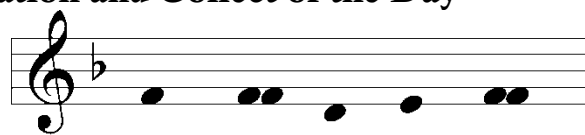
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

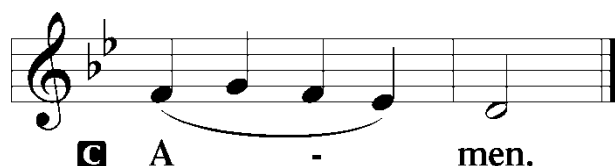


Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 17:22–24

²²Thus says the Lord GOD: “I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:1–17

¹We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart.

¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.

¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for

all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Face the cross as it enters the nave.

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

505 Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay



Tri - une God, be Thou our stay; O let us per-ish nev - er!



Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life for - ev - er.



Keep us from the e - vil one; Up-hold our faith most ho - ly,



And let us trust Thee sole - ly With hum-ble hearts and low - ly.



Let us put God's ar-mor on, With all true Chris-tians run - ning



Our heav'n - ly race and shun - ning The dev-il's wiles and cun - ning.



Holy Gospel

Mark 4:26–34

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground.
²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how.
²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear.
²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."
³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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Sit

Hymn of the Day | O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

LSB 834

Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus unto life everlasting!

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

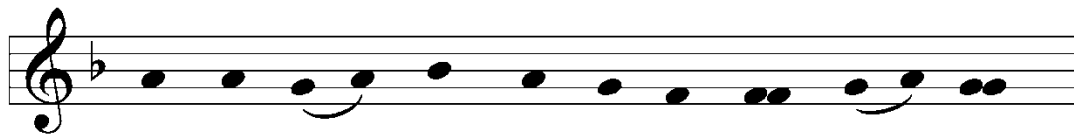
The Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament

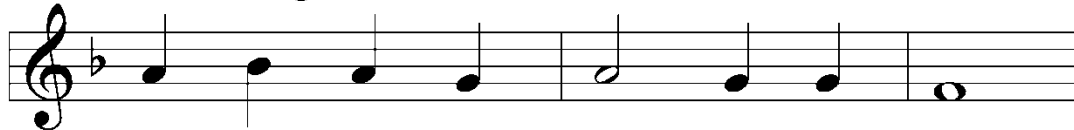
Preface

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P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

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The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn | Preach You the Word

LSB 586

Distribution Hymn | Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

LSB 577

Distribution Hymn | Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

LSB 627

Holy Communion at St. Paul

Our congregation confesses the Bodily Presence of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Altar. To care for those who are about to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord, the Altar is open to those baptized Christians who repent of their sins, have been catechized in the Faith, and are members of our congregation, another congregation in The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, or another Church body with whom we are in fellowship. If you have not communed in a year or are visiting, please speak with one of the Pastors before communing today.
Thank you.

Stand

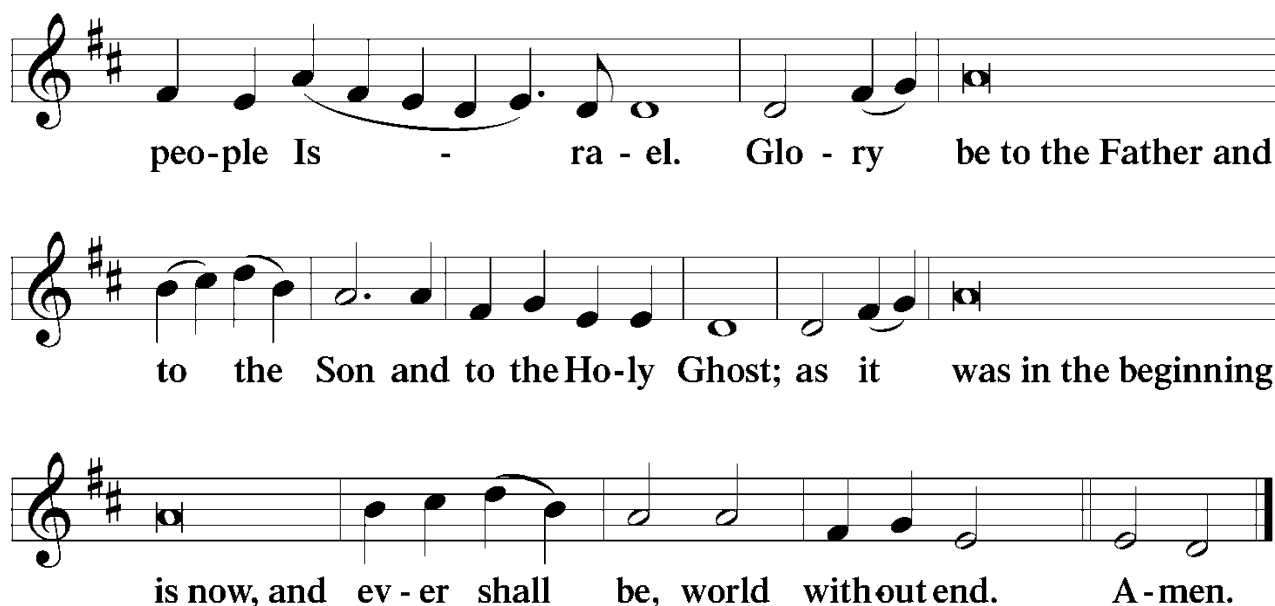
The Dismissal

P The holy body and precious blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in the one true faith unto life +everlasting! Depart in peace. **Amen.**

Nunc Dimittis

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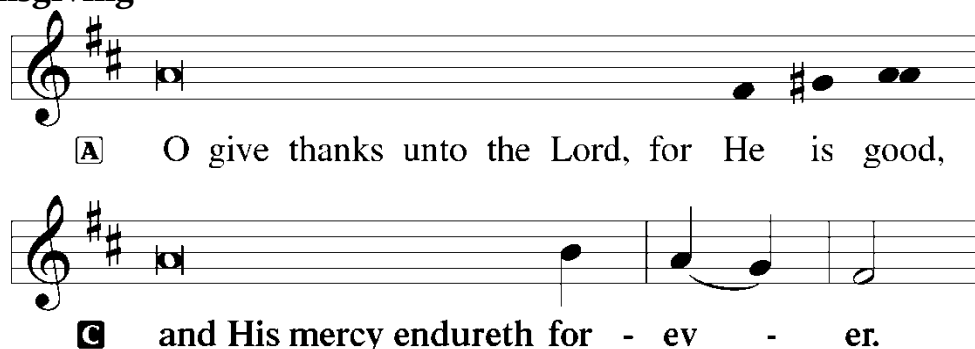
C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

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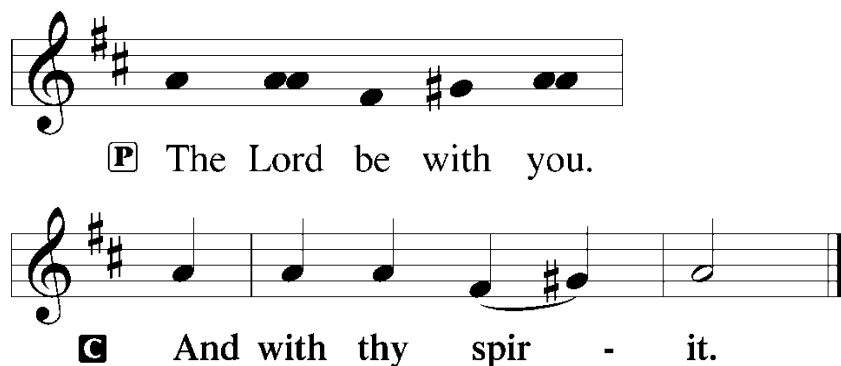


A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

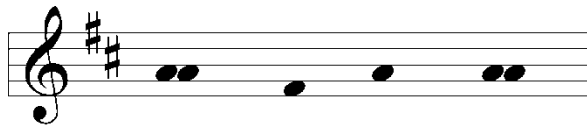
Salutation



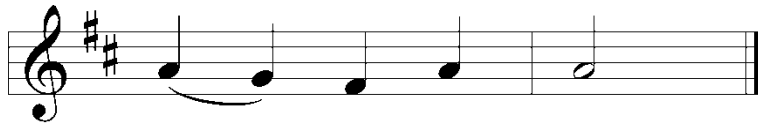
P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

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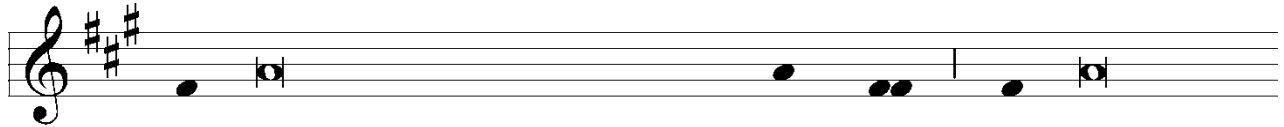
A Bless we the Lord.



G Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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Communion Distribution. We are bringing back the Communion rail for distribution today. Distribution will be in the same ‘continuous’ manner as we have been practicing. Deacons will send four people per side. When a gap opens at the rail, go to it and kneel/stand. Once communed, you may return to the pew. Place individual cups on the rail itself, as in the past.

Ladies’ Aid Meeting. The next one is June 17th at 7pm. All the ladies of the congregation are invited to join. The opportunities for service within the congregation are great. Join us.

Sem. Keilani and his family are with us for the last time today, before they depart to Vicarage in Green Bay, Wisc. We pray for the Keilani’s, that the Lord might bestow upon them a fruitful and edifying vicarage year. Farewell and Godspeed, Anthony, Irene, Sylvia, and Esther!

Chausibles. The *chausible* (a poncho-like vestment worn by the pastor, worn overtop the alb and stole) is a vestment proper for the *celebrant* (the pastor who is celebrating or administering Holy Communion) to wear at the Divine Service. When there is a Divine Service and the Lord’s Supper is celebrated, pastor will wear the chausible. Like the *stole* (the long scarf-like vestment that indicates the person wearing it is ordained), the chausible matches the paraments with the colors of the Church year. This set of four chausibles (green, red, violet, and white) were purchased from Kanel Bros., Canton, Oh. through the Endowment Fund, and match the current paraments well. We thank God that through the generosity of Christians who have gone before us in the faith, such acquisitions may be possible for the adornment of Christ’s holy Church.

The first ever Gemütlichkeit was a great success. Members enjoyed a potluck lunch, fellowship and fun. The event will continue on a monthly basis on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next is June 24th 12-3pm. Bring a dish to share. If you cannot stay the whole time or come right at 12pm, come anyway. If you cannot bring a dish to share, do not feel obligated. Bring and appetite and spend some time with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Website Update: We are pleased to share with you the latest update on our Digital reflection to the world. Feel free to visit St. Paul Preble's new website. Upon entry, you'll notice in the navigation a LOGIN area. Feel free to click and enter this area with the below credentials. This area will only be accessible for the Active Members of St. Paul. In the event we update the password, you'll be notified. Stay tuned to the Bulletin's and Services page for services that will be broadcasted very soon! RLH Creative Agency (owned/operated by Rebecca Hoffman) is grateful for the opportunity to serve and provide value to St. Paul and members.

WEBSITE ADDRESS:

<https://www.stpaulpreble.org/> (save as a favorite)

MEMBERS LOGIN PASSWORD: spp73 (case sensitive; stands for “St. Paul, Preble 1873”, the year our congregation was founded.)

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150th Anniversary Committee. Talk to Pr. Yeager if interested on serving on the committee that will oversee the celebration of our 150th anniversary as a congregation.

Youth—June and July Youth Events

Middle School Youth Event

+Sunday, June 27 – Gathering at Roger and Lisa Hormann’s Home (10537 N. 700 W.-1; Ossian, IN 46777)

+Sunday, July 25; 1-6 p.m. – Putt-Putt Golf, Go-Go Karts, Hop-Hop Frog, Choo-Choo Train, Twisty-McTwisterton, and the Himalaya

We have great participation in the past for this event at the Fun Center in Columbia City. Bring \$10 to Bingen’s parking lot at 1 p.m., and we will have fun times.

High School Youth Activities

+Sunday, June 13; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Gathering @ Parsonage 1

+Sunday, June 20 – Father’s Day – No Youth Gathering

+Sunday, June 27; 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Gathering at Roger and Lisa Hormann’s Home (10537 N. 700 W.-1; Ossian, IN 46777)

+Sunday, July 4 – No Youth Gathering

+Sunday, July 11; 6:30-8:30 p.m. –Slip-n-Slide Kickball

+Sunday, July 18 – Gathering @ Parsonage 1

+Sunday, July 25; 1-6 p.m. – Putt-Putt Golf, Go-Go Karts, Hop-Hop Frog, Choo-Choo Train, Twisty-McTwisterton, and the Himalaya

Wyneken

Letter from Ms. Day. Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am writing to confirm my acceptance of a call that has been issued to me from Immanuel Lutheran School in Valparaiso, Indiana. This was not an easy decision, because the Wyneken families, students, and all three church associations have truly been a blessing to me. I loved my job and the opportunity to serve the Wyneken families and God here. I know without a doubt that it was God who brought me here to serve. However, I made this decision after much prayer, thought and guidance from church members, family and friends and I honestly believe that this is the direction that God is calling me to next. I am forever grateful for the opportunities that have been given to me over the last six years at Wyneken Lutheran Elementary in Decatur, Indiana. I truly leave here a much better teacher because of my experiences, guidance, and opportunities. I hope that I have served in a way that was pleasing to God and the Wyneken families. Thank you for your prayers throughout this consideration and I will be praying for God to fill the wonderful kindergarten classroom at Wyneken Lutheran Elementary. Serving Him, Tricia Day

Painters needed. Looking for assistance to paint the cafetorium at Wyneken. Individuals are needed evenings June 16, 17, and 18. Please contact Chad Baumann at 260-223-3633 or maintenance@wyneken.org for more information.

Seeking boys JV soccer coach. Please contact Greg Louis at 260-450-2923 or wyneken.ad@gmail.com for more information.

Early elementary school teacher sought for the 2021-2022 academic year. Individuals who have LCMS synodical and theological training as well as an Indiana teaching license are preferred. Those interested are asked to submit a resume and cover letter. For additional information, please contact Andrew Gavrun at 260-639-6177 or principal@wyneken.org.

Prayer of the Church

- +**Those Married:** Brian and Alissa Gallmeyer, and Nate Meshberger, Danielle Mowrey 6/19.
- +**The Sick and Recovering:** Ken Selking.
- +**Expectant Mothers:** Kacey Fuelling.
- +**The Homebound:** Edna Mesing, Faye Keuneke (Woodcrest Skilled Nursing); Marge Merriman (Woodcrest Assisted Living); Ken Schueler (home); Bonnie Gallmeyer (home); Ted Reinhart (home); Don Haines (home).
- +**Farmers:** seasonable weather, and an abundance of the fruits of the earth.
- +**The Military & Veterans:** Austin Comer, Taylor Blum, Isabelle Friedt.
- +**Birthdays:** Madelyn Reinhart, Dennis Reinking, Stephanie Comer, Bentley Elwer, Ezraelle Zimmerman, Max Nussbaum, Lucas Blum, Skyelar Pritchard, Evan Sovine, Carla Mesing, Betty Becker, Navy Bluhm, Haylee Fisher, Diana Hoffman.

Acolytes

6/13 Hilton Bluhm

Next Sunday 6/20

Aiden Faurote

Attendance

Sunday 5/30 155

Wednesday 6/2 30

Offerings 6/6

Need Weekly: \$7,487.69

Week/Plate: \$4,746.00

Online \$1,102.03

For the week: -\$1,639.66

For the year: -\$11,053.70

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 6/13	Divine Service 9am, <i>The Third Sunday after Pentecost</i>
Wednesday 6/16	Vespers, 7pm
Thursday 6/17	Ladies' Aid, 7pm
Sunday 6/20	Divine Service 9am, <i>The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i>