

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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DIVINE SERVICE

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Lutheran Service Book

Our Father Cares for His Children with the Gospel of His Son

The sinful heart is filled with “bitter jealousy and selfish ambition” (James 3:14), which causes hostility, quarrels and conflicts, even among those who are fellow members of the Body of Christ. This should not be so! Rather, God “opposes the proud” with His Law, in order to humble them unto repentance; He “gives grace to the humble,” in order to exalt them by His Gospel of forgiveness (James 4:6–10). This true “wisdom from above” is found in the gentleness, mercy and peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who humbled Himself and sacrificed Himself for the salvation of sinners (James 3:17). He was “like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter,” committing Himself to God, His Father, “who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind” (Jer. 11:19–20). Therefore, “after three days,” His Father exalted Him by raising Him from the dead (Mark 9:31). In Holy Baptism, He takes disciples of all ages into His arms like little children. In receiving Him through repentance and faith in His forgiveness of sins, they receive from His Father a share in the glory of His cross and resurrection (Mark 9:36–37).

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

904 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Stand

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

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P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

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C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

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P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 37:5–7; antiphon: v. 4

- P** Delight yourself in the LORD,
C **and he will give you the desires of your heart.**
P Commit your way to the LORD;
C **trust in him, and he will act.**
P He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
C **and your justice as the noonday.**
P Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
C **fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!**
C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
P Delight yourself in the LORD,
C **and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

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- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 11:18–20

A The Old Testament Reading for The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from the eleventh chapter of the prophecy of Jeremiah.

¹⁸The LORD made it known to me and I knew;
then you showed me their deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me
they devised schemes, saying,
"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,

let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more.”

²⁰But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,
who tests the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 3:13—4:10

A The Second Reading is from the third chapter of the General Epistle of James.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and

your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia


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C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verse

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C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia

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C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30–37

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three

days he will rise.”³² But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

³³ And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?”³⁴ But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.³⁵ And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”³⁶ And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them,³⁷ “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

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C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Sermon

Gathering of Tithes & Offerings

If you are submitting a prayer request on a prayer card, kindly hand it directly to the usher. Do not place it into the offering plate.

Stand

806 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give thanks to the
 Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be-cause He's giv-en__ Je - sus
 Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, Give
 thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be-cause He's giv-en__
 Je-sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am
 strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," _____ Be-cause of
 what the Lord has done for us. And now let the
 weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am

rich," _____ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, _____ give thanks. _____

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Prayer of the Church

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- P** . . . Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

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- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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

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



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

☐ Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

The Words of Our Lord

- 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."

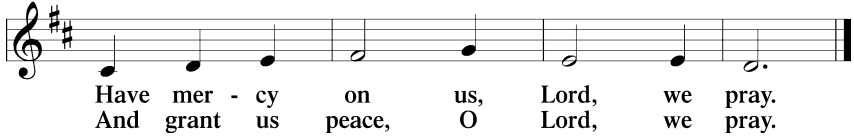
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- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

Distribution of Christ's Body and Blood

Members of other Christian denominations who are present may come forward to receive a blessing from the Pastor during the distribution. It is requested that you cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire this blessing.

Silent Prayer Just Before Communing: *Dear Savior, at your gracious invitation, I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Silent Prayer Just After Communing: *Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament. I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace the forgiveness of sins unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.*

623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

Stand

The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C **Amen.**

Nunc Dimittis

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1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C **Amen.**

924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Silent Prayer

Announcements

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The Glad Spirit St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church

September 22, 2024

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

ST. PAUL'S FAMILY

Melanie Hudson, Family Malorie, Levi
Joshua Hurson
Shaun & Abby Ignowski, Family Corbin, Lucian
Alvin & Sharon JaBaay

BIRTHDAYS

Dana Krieger, 9/25
Louis Sella, 9/25
Alec Schassburger, 9/26

BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Jean Wiltjer, 9/22
Melanie Hudson, 9/26

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Brian & Gloria Wiltjer, 9/23
Richard & Janice Reichert, 9/27

SPECIAL CONCERNS

Pray for Norma Allen, Janice Abel, Sondra Budde, Jay Carey,
Pastor and Pam Collins, Mitch Cueller, Carmen Dampier,
Judy Diekleman, Shirley Emerick, Latricia Harris, Ed Hoeksema Jr.,
Chester Orendorff, Violet Rich, Dolly Tagenhorst, Warren Van Mynen,
Shirley Wahl, Gene Wiltjer, Ray Zander.

Serving in the Military – Austin Brandy, James Fluechtling,
Dakoda Gaut and Nathan Lopez.

Serving as First Responders – David Allen, Dave Bloom,
Nathan Conway, Brianne Giba, Melanie Hudson, Brian Orth,
Dana Tatgenhorst, Taylor VanDommelen and Dan Zander.

NEWS UPDATE



As we look forward to the upcoming holidays, we would like to provide support for those in need. Include your donations with your offering and mark your envelope Social Ministry. These donations will be used to purchase gift cards. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry!

We'd love to see you in worship. Our worship services are every Sunday at 9:30 AM. If you are unable to attend it can be viewed on Facebook live at www.facebook.com/splcms/videos. A previous recording is also available. Bulletins for the services are available for viewing or download on our website at www.splcms.org/worship.



St. Paul Book Club for Wednesday September 11 is rescheduled to Thursday September 26, 10:00 am at Church, to review *The Women: A Novel* by Kristin Hannah. We always welcome new members. We enjoy fellowship and lunch following the discussion.

Christ For You this week on KFUE.org: We will be wrapping up our study of Psalm 119 on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), after which we will take a dive into the book of Numbers. Thy Strong Word will conclude its study of Hosea (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and then we'll be turning to the end of the Bible to begin a study of the book of Revelation. Finally, don't forget to tune into Concord Matters this Saturday (9/28 at 11:00 a.m. CT) for a discussion on the cause of sin. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app!

Daily Lutheran Chapel Service... You can listen to LIVE chapel services weekdays at 9 a.m. Central from Concordia Theological Seminary-Fort Wayne, IN. You can listen live at issuesetc.org and on-demand at issuesetc.org/kramerchapel.

“All of us who die in Christ are going to come up like cherry tomatoes in July—‘a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb’ (Revelation 7:9b). I’ll be there, and so will you, all of us celebrating the Lord who loved us and gave Himself for us—He who died like a single seed falling into the earth, and now ‘bears much fruit’

(John 12:24b).” Dr. Kari Vo – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •
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Who Is the Greatest?

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.” Mark 9:35 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 9:30-37



C V U L Z W W H O E V E R T S
 M W M L I P F T N R E K I B B
 D L W C S T R I H O U S E B W
 Z Q K U G U T K R U E B Y T C
 A X S J V G I L A S L K G E B
 Q E P I G M E T E A T A X Y P
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WELCOMES
 LITTLE
 WHOEVER

SERVANT
 ARMS
 ROAD

FIRST
 CHILD
 TWELVE

GREATEST
 ARGUING
 QUIET

JESUS
 LAST
 HOUSE

GOD'S PEOPLE IN ACTION

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS



September 15th Attendance 19, 19 Communed, 12 Online

Basket	\$30.00	Weekly Missions	\$30.00
Envelopes	680.00	Luth. Church Charity	10.00
General Fund	250.00	Church Maint	10.00
		Social Ministry	190.00
Budgeted Total	960.00	Non-budgeted Total	\$240.00
Offering Needed	1,362.00		
Short	\$-402.00		



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday	10.00 am	Book Club
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee &...

SERVANT SCHEDULE

	Sun, Sep 22, 9:30 AM	Sun, Sep 29, 9:30 AM
Pastor	Pastor Klein	Pastor Mandel
Usher	Bill Sommer	Dave Bloom
Lay Reader	Deb Brandy	Norma Allen

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FOOD PANTRY



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