SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

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- <u>ATTENTION SUNDAY (IN SANCTUARY) WORSHIPERS</u> -LOOK TO THE DESIGNATED USHERS AND ELDERS TO GUIDE YOU THROUGH SEATING AND EXIT PROCEDURES.

TODAY'S WORSHIP Divine Service III - LSB pages 184-202 L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory LSB 850 1 God of grace and God of glory On Your people pour Your pow'r:

- 1. God of grace and God of glory, On Your people pour Your pow'r; Crown Your ancient Church's story; Bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage <u>For the facing of this hour</u>, (Repeat)
- 2. Lo, the hosts of evil round us Scorn the Christ, assail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage <u>For the living of these days</u>, (Repeat)
- 3. Cure Your children's warring madness; Bend our pride to Your control; Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage <u>Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal</u>, (Repeat)
- 4. Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore; Let the gift of Your salvation Be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, <u>Serving You whom we adore</u>, (Repeat)

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

- L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: JAmen.
- L: Blessed are the poor in spirit, who hunger and thirst after righteousness, who mourn their sinful condition.
- C: For they shall possess the Kingdom of God, be satisfied with the mercy of God, and enjoy the grace of His forgiveness.
- L: Almighty God, our Creator and Redeemer,
- C: We come to You, confessing that we are by nature separated from You and that we have often sinned against You by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We turn to You for mercy and ask Your forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Empower us by the aid of Your Holy Spirit to serve You and do Your will on earth. Amen.

*THE ABSOLUTION ₽Amen.

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

□Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***THE KYRIE**

ILord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you. C: **And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray. C: JAmen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from Genesis 50:15-21, page 44: ¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **J**Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE is from Romans 14:5-12, pages 948-949:

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

*ALLELUIA C: JAlleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter, verses 21-35, pages 823-824:

C: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²¹Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed

him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise by to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE CREED**

(1st Article of Luther's Explanation)

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sunday)

- 1. I am trusting You, Lord Jesus, You have died for me. All my sins have been forgiven. I am free!
- 2. I am trusting You, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall, I am trusting You forever, And for all.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Sunday)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Soldiers of Christ, Arise

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Christina Stackle

- 1. Soldiers of Christ, arise And put your armor on, Strong in the strength which God supplies Thro' His eternal Son;
- 2. Strong in the Lord of hosts And in His mighty pow'r. Who in the strength of Jesus trusts Is more than conqueror.
- 3. Stand, then, in His great might, With all His strength endued; But take, to arm you for the fight, The panoply of God.
- 4. From strength to strength go on, Wrestle and fight and pray; Tread all the pow'rs of darkness down And win the well-fought day.

THE SERMON	"A King's Forgiveness"	(Matthew 18:21-35)

VOLUNTARY The Chancel Singers (Sunday) *A Joyful Song To The Lord* Karen Crane & Jennifer Klein/arr: Patti Drennan

***THE OFFERTORY**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*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.

*THE BENEDICTION C: JAmen. Amen. Amen.

*THE CLOSING HYMNAbide, O Dearest JesusLSB 9191. Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace
That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.LSB 919

2. Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word, And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.

***SILENT PRAYER**

POSTLUDE

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson Liturgists: Pastor Robert M. Brown/Pastor Dennis A. Kastens Organist: Saturday: Alice Kastens; Sunday: Kendra Ruesler Choir Dir: Burnell Hackman, DMM Flute: Jacqui Gathman Cello: Jonathan Gathman Sat. Cantor: Alex Arensmeier KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Dean Seyfert/Jeanette Mattingly

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NEWS & NOTES

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> are in honor of Burnell and Kathryn Hackman's 40th wedding anniversary; and also, from Mary Bentrup in loving memory of her and Bob's 63rd wedding anniversary.

<u>VOTERS' ASSEMBLY</u> tomorrow evening, 7:00p.m. in the sanctuary.

<u>PEACE FAMILY NIGHT</u> Everyone is welcome to join us on the West Parking Lot on Saturday, September 26 (6:00-7:30 pm) (note the time change) for an evening of music from the Peace Orchestra (Songs from Disney and the Disco, and much more) followed by an amazing show by Juggling Jeff. Drinks, chips and Ted Drewes will be for sale from our youth group. Families will have the option to view the entertainment from their lawn chairs in individual parking spots or from their vehicle. <u>Please RSVP online on the Peace website by Friday, September 25</u>, to attend this event. Spots will be given out based on registration. This is a FREE event.

<u>2020 BOAR'S HEAD CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL—CANCELED</u> Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, along with county regulations and good common sense, we cannot figure a way to hold the festival safely for our members and our guests. Thus, the decision has been made to cancel this year's pageant. Just to be clear, we are only taking a year off. We will return in 2021 refreshed and again ready to share the beautiful Gospel message.

<u>PICTORIAL DIRECTORY HAS BEEN POSTPONED</u> Lifetouch has informed us that they are postponing all fall photography sessions until further notice. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for further updates.

<u>LADIES GUILD</u> meeting is Thursday, September 17, at 11:00 a.m. in the kitchen meeting room for salad and dessert. Pastor Brown will attend also for a meet & greet session! RSVP to Julia 636-464-9607.

<u>LWML SEPTEMBER TO REMEMBER</u> has a new Giving Tuesday date. Might you consider giving to the Mission Goal on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Please make checks payable to Peace Lutheran Church with LWML Giving Tuesday in the "memo line." This is an opportunity to remember loved ones, a mentor, an LWML sister, or a pastoral counselor...someone who kindled our love for doing the Lord's kingdom work. Please pray for the mission grants. Lord, hear our prayers. Ladies Guild is a proud Society that supports Missouri District LWML. Please give toward our Mission Project Program.

<u>PASTOR BROWN WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU</u> There are multiple options available—in your home, outside your house, at church, or through a Zoom meeting. Go to www.peacelutheranstl.org for details and to sign up.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY Join us at 7:00p.m. in the Sanctuary Hall.

<u>COUPLES CLUB WINERY TRIP</u> (correction) is SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, at 12:00 p.m. \$1.00 reservation fee. Please RSVP to Heather Carlson (314-677-7241) by WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

<u>GREEN PARK CHILD CARE IS HIRING</u> Hours: Mornings 6:20am-8:20am and Afternoons 3pm-6pm, Monday through Friday. Requirements: Flexible schedule, must be able to wear a mask for full shift, patience, ability to work with children grades JK3-8th, employment subject to a background check. Contact: April Baese at 314-835-7207 or via email April.Baese@greenparklutheranschool.org.