

*19th Sunday after Pentecost
and Harvest Home
Sunday, October 20, 2019*

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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GATHERING

As we gather together, let us now refrain from conversation, quiet ourselves, and welcome the Lord Jesus Christ into our midst.

PRELUDE

8:00 AM	“For the Beauty of the Earth”	L. Smith
10:30 AM	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” <i>Bell Choir</i>	C. Dobrinski

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

We gather in the name of the Father,
and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ.
Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Almighty God,
we confess that we have failed to live as your disciples.
We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers.
We have desired to possess much more than we need.
We have damaged your good creation.
Refresh our hearts, forgive our sins,
and raise us to abundant new life
through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.
Amen.

Trust in God and in God's promises.
Know that God will never leave you or forsake you.
Believe that for the sake of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" #693

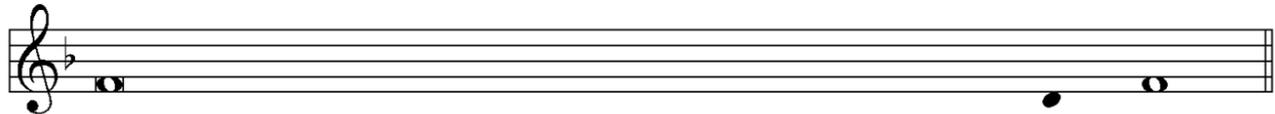
GREETING

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.

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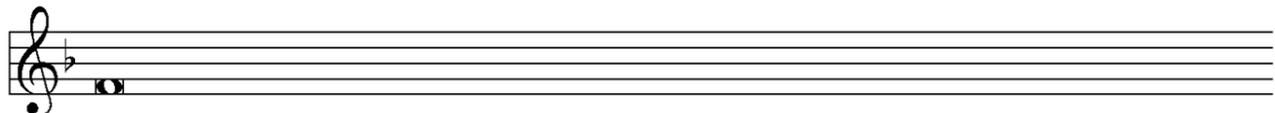
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



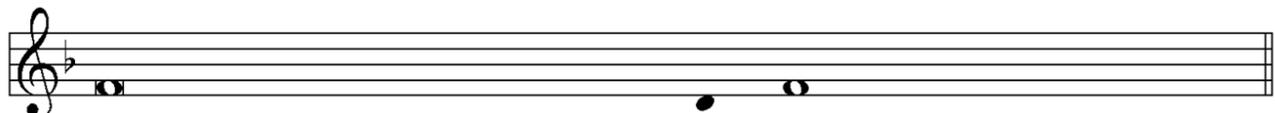
A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



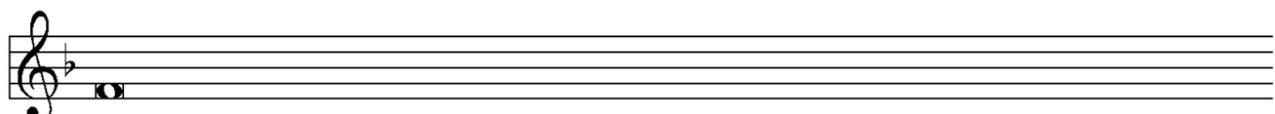
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



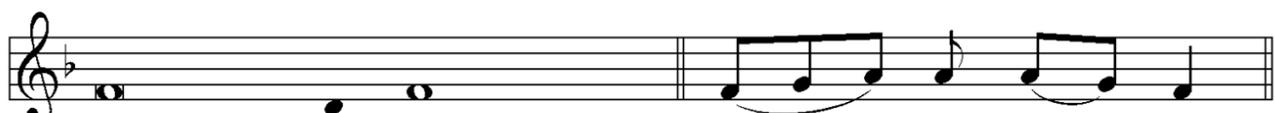
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



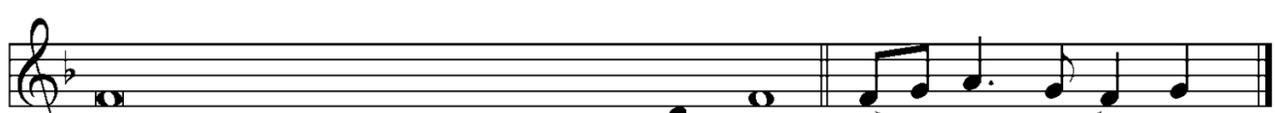
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory to the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere to confess your name with steadfast faith; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD

A Reading from Genesis

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.
(Genesis 32:22–31)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?
²**My help comes from the LORD,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

³The LORD will not let your foot be moved
nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴**Behold, the keeper of Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep;**

⁵the LORD watches over you;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶**the sun will not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil
and will keep your life.

⁸**The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth forevermore.**

A Reading from the Second Epistle to Timothy

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.
(2 Timothy 3:14–4:5)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Luke 18:1–9

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told [his disciples] a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” ⁶And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

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SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Knowing the one in whom we trust, and with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Faithful God, you will not leave us without a blessing. Wrestle with your church and renew it for the sake of the world. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Grant us joy in these autumn days. As the daylight shortens and the leaves burst forth in vivid colors, scatter seeds that will bring forth new life in the spring. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Keep and defend the nations from all evil and be their shade and protection. Daily guide all your children in ways of mercy and justice. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O maker of heaven and earth, hear the cries of those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*especially...*). Teach us not to lose heart as we await your healing touch. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Great teacher, help us to hear your voice as we read your Holy Scripture. Awaken men and women of faith so that they may lead us in doing good works in your name. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

It is your will that no one should go hungry. Open our eyes to the needs of our neighbors and open our hearts to those who do not have enough to eat. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We thank you for your grace made manifest in the saints who have gone before us. Living in hope, bring us all to the joyful feast that has no end. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

OFFERING

For 10:30 service ushers: Take the offering plates from the table in the back of the church. Receive the collection along the center aisle, from front to back, then walk behind the last pews and up the side aisles to receive the collection on the outside aisles, again from front to back. Return to the back and wait for the Communion Assistant to come forward with the alms basin.

OFFERTORY (8:00) “Now Thank We All Our God” J. S. Bach

ANTHEM (10:30) *“Autumn Carol” Arr. R. Schultz-Widmar
Chancel Choir & Bell Choir

OFFERTORY HYMN



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

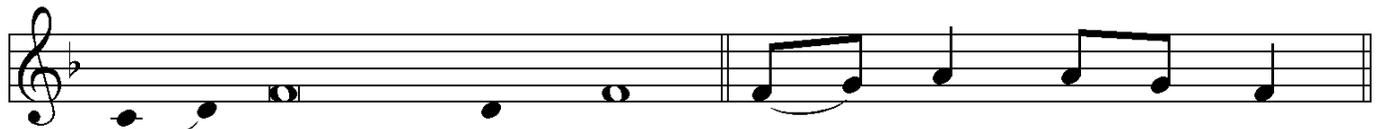
OFFERTORY PRAYER

God our provider, we bring nothing into this world, and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Nourish us now with new and abundant life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

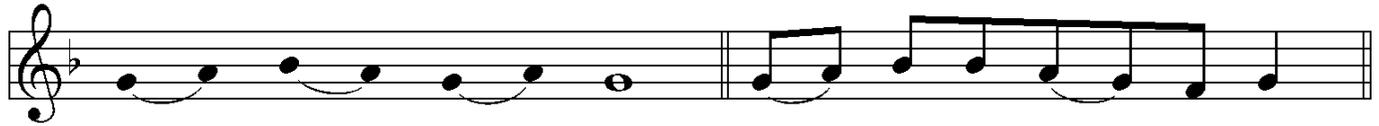
Amen.

MEAL

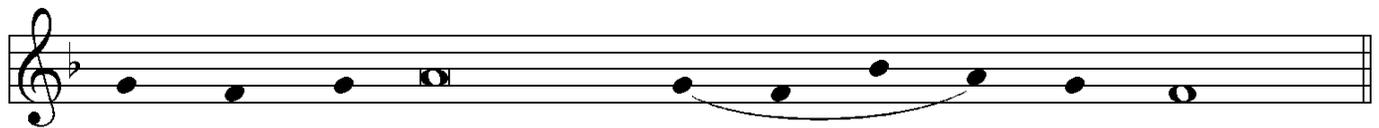
GREAT THANKSGIVING



P The Lord be with you. **G** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **G** We lift them to the Lord.



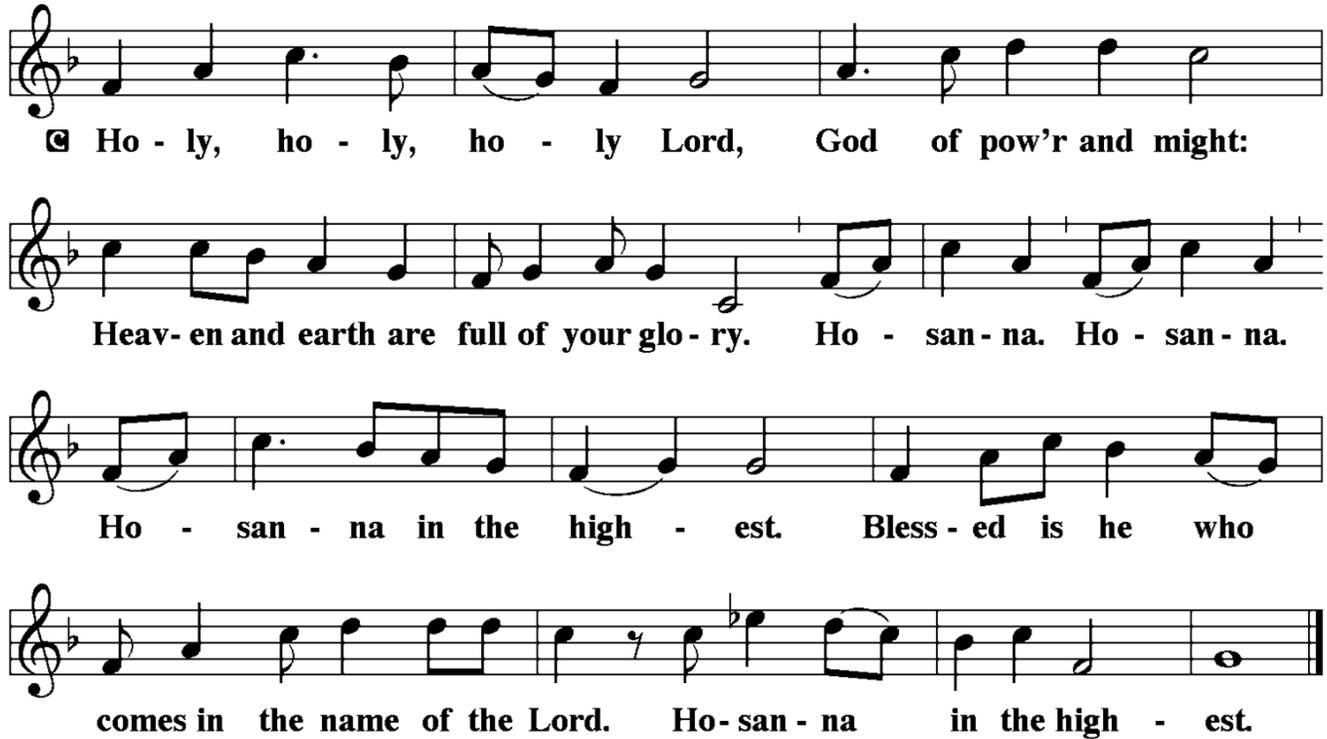
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



G It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him should not perish,
but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you
for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord with a living faith
as he comes to us in his holy supper.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

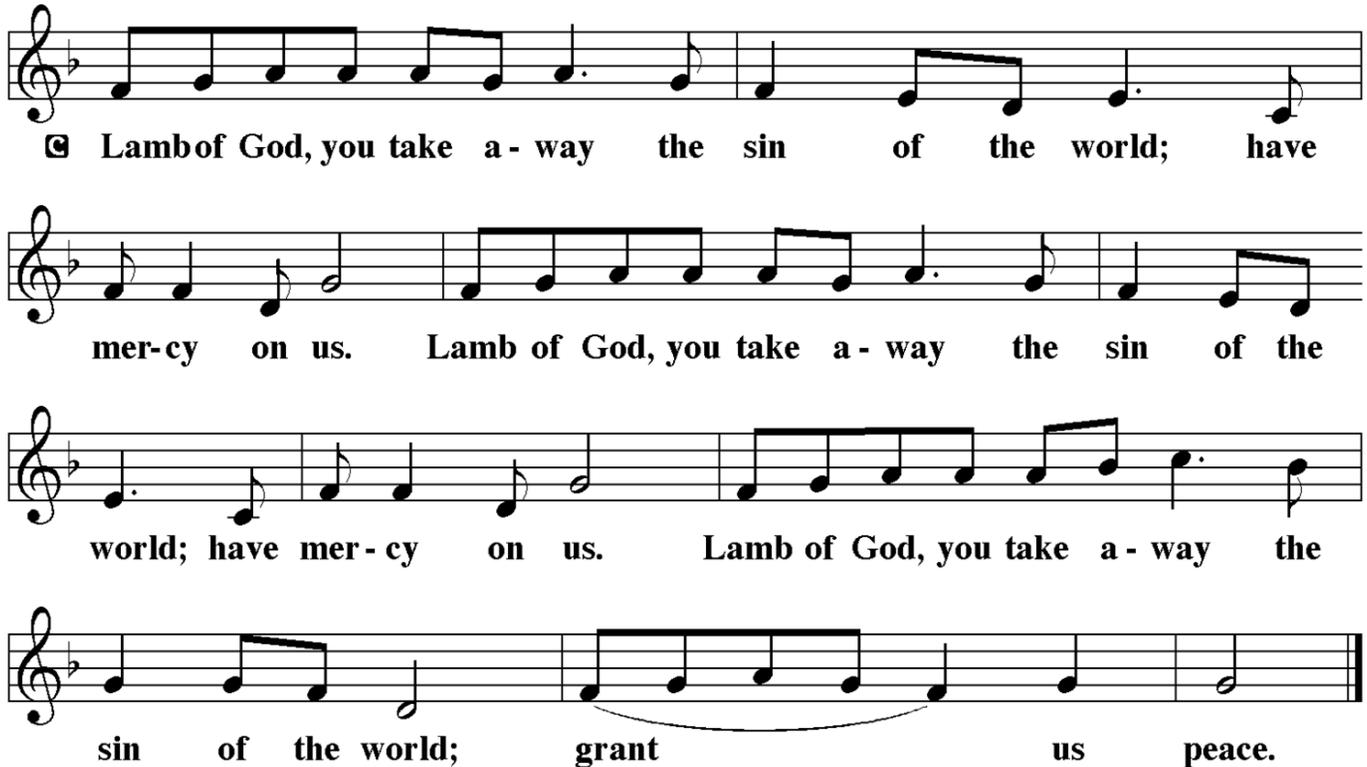
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God has prepared a banquet for all to share.
Come, take your place at the feast.

AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

The Sacrament will be distributed by Intinction, pulpit side first. Please move into the center aisle, proceed to the Pastor, and receive the bread in your open hand. Then turn to the assistant, where you may dip the host into the wine and partake, returning to your seat by the side aisle. The lectern side will follow, then the choir. Those unable to come forward may receive the Sacrament in their pews.

COMMUNION HYMN

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Bell Choir (10:30)

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

F. Drizzell

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ’s body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SERVING TODAY (10/20/19)

8:00 AM

**LECTOR: Kay Weidensaul; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Kay Weidensaul;
USHERS: Kay Weidensaul & Barbara Lafko; GREETER: ; COUNTERS: Joyce
O'Rourke, Gloria Dierwechter & Dana Jenkins; ALTAR GUILD: Tina Butler &
Chris Long**

10:30 AM

**LECTOR: Jason Swick; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Connie Teter; USHERS:
David Kriner & Brian Miller; GREETER: Steve Couch; COUNTERS: Joyce
O'Rourke, Gloria Dierwechter & Dana Jenkins; ALTAR GUILD: Tina Butler &
Chris Long**

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (10/27/19)

8:00 AM

**LECTOR: Becky Herb; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Ruth Ann Withers;
USHERS: Becky & Mark Herb; GREETER: ; COUNTERS: Connie Teter, Jean
Premich & Barb Sterner; ALTAR GUILD: Jean Premich & Joyce O'Rourke**

10:30 AM

**LECTOR: Tom Wehr; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Madelyn Knecht; USHERS:
Connie Teter & Cindy Sklar; GREETER: Steve Couch; COUNTERS: Connie
Teter, Jean Premich & Barb Sterner; ALTAR GUILD: Jean Premich & Joyce
O'Rourke**

CALENDAR

Saturday, October 19	5:30 PM	Worship—Harvest Home
	6:00 PM	Progressive Dinner
Sunday, October 20	8:00 AM	Worship—Harvest Home
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum
	10:30 AM	Worship—Harvest Home
	3:00 PM	Beethoven Concert
Monday, October 21	6:00 PM	Worship & Music
Wednesday, Oct. 23 (revised)	1:00 PM	Rainbow Friends
Saturday, October 26	5:30 PM	Worship
Sunday, October 27	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum
	9:15 AM	Property Committee
	10:30 AM	Worship

EVANGELISM NEWS

St. Paul’s will be joining the Orwigsburg Halloween Parade on October 23! Come out and join the fun! We will be riding on the back of the Couch truck, so bring a blanket! If you would like to help decorate or participate, please sign up! And don’t forget that we will be handing out candy on Trick or Treat night, Thursday, October 31. And moms and dads can enjoy a cup of hot chocolate or coffee while the kids are getting their candy!

We will also be having a Pot Luck dinner for all following the Saturday night worship service on November 9! Please sign up to bring either a hot dish or dessert!

Sunday, December 15, we will be having breakfast treats for all following the 8 AM service!

And for next year:

Mark your calendars now for our Church Picnic on Sunday, September 13, 2020, at Albright's Woods!

Our 2nd annual Health Fair, in conjunction with God's Work, Our Hands, will be held on Sunday, September 20, 2020, at the Memorial Building! We will be needing lots of hands to make this a success!

NEWS FROM TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, POTTSVILLE

Trinity Lutheran Church, 300 W. Arch St., Pottsville, will host the 15th annual organ recital by organist Michael Kiehner and choral selections by a choir made up of area singers under the direction of Catherine Zimmerman, on Sunday, October 27, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Kiehner will play selections by David Kidwell, Searle Wright, Marianne Kim, Johann Sebastian Bach, and Denis Bedard. The choir will sing the following anthems: "New Every Morning" by Cindy Berry; "I've Been in the Storm So Long," arranged by Vickie Tucker Courtney; "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah," arranged by Karen Buckwalter and featuring trumpeters Christian Honicker and Shane Melochick; and "Hallelujah" from "The Mount of Olives" by Ludwig van Beethoven. There will also be congregational singing and refreshments served afterward.

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FRIENDSHIP PADS

Please sign the friendship pads in the pews. Visitors are encouraged to sign the guest book in the narthex.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY...

If you or someone you know needs immediate pastoral care,
please call 717-649-3532.
