

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

August 30, 2020

9:30 am Worship Service

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA**

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## Announcements

### Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Gracious God,

**Cong.:** have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your gracious Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Jesus Christ our Lord, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**Cong.:** Amen.

**Psalm:** Psalm 26:1-8 (*read responsively*)

<sup>1</sup>Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived | with integrity;  
I have trusted in the LORD and | have not faltered.

<sup>2</sup>**Test me, O | LORD, and try me;**  
**examine my heart | and my mind.**

<sup>3</sup>For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes;  
I have walked faithful- | ly with you.

<sup>4</sup>**I have not sat | with the worthless,**  
**nor do I consort with | the deceitful. R**

<sup>5</sup>I have hated the company of | evildoers;  
I will not sit down | with the wicked.

<sup>6</sup>**I will wash my hands in inno- | cence, O LORD,**  
**that I may go in procession | round your altar,**

<sup>7</sup>singing aloud a song | of thanksgiving  
and recounting all your won- | derful deeds.

<sup>8</sup>**LORD, I love the house in | which you dwell**  
**and the place where your glo- | ry abides. R**

### Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

# Song

# "He Is Exalted"

Words and Music by  
Twila Paris

## VERSE

F F/A B $\flat$  B $\flat$ /C C $^7$



He is ex - alt - ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on \_ high, \_ I will praise \_ Him.

5 F F/A B $\flat$  C/B $\flat$  B $\flat$ /C C D<sup>sus</sup>



He is ex - alt - ed, for - ev - er ex - alt - ed, and I will praise His name! \_\_\_\_\_

## CHORUS

10 D Gm Dm/F C/E C F Am B $\flat$  F/A



\_\_\_\_\_ He is the Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ for - ev - er His truth shall reign.

15 Gm Dm/F C/E C F Am B $\flat$  F/A



Heav - en and earth \_\_\_\_\_ re - jice in His ho - ly name. \_\_\_\_\_

19 Gm B $\flat$ /F E $\flat$  B $\flat$ /C F



He is ex - alt - ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on high! \_\_\_\_\_

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## Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

*Response to the prayer:* **C: Amen.**

## First Reading:

L: A reading from Jeremiah 15:15-21  
The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading:

L: A reading from Romans 12:9-21  
The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 16:21-28

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The Gospel concludes:*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

Pastor Burkhardt

## Song

*“Son of God, Eternal Savior”*



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,  
2 As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for oth - ers live.  
3 Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and Prince of peace;  
4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, source of life and truth and grace,



Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race,  
Free - ly have your gifts been grant - ed; free - ly may your ser - vants give.  
hush the storm of strife and pas - sion, bid its cru - el dis - cords cease.  
Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal - lows all our hu - man race:



you our head, who, throned in glo - ry, for your own will ev - er plead:  
Yours the gold and yours the sil - ver, yours the wealth of land and sea;  
By your pa - tient years of toil - ing, by your si - lent hours of pain,  
by your pray - ing, by your will - ing that your peo - ple should be one,



fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need.  
we but stew - ards of your boun - ty held in sol - emn trust will be.  
quench our fe - vered thirst of plea - sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain.  
grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done.

Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

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## 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.

## Prayers of the People

*Each petition ends with these words:*

**L:** Lord, in your mercy,

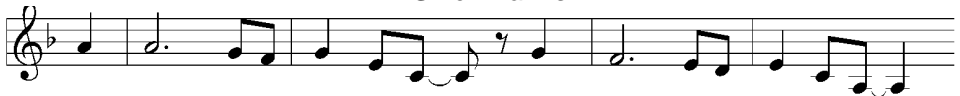
**C:** hear our prayer.

*Response at the conclusion of the prayers: C: Amen.*

## Offering

**Offering Song** (*Sung while offering is collected.*)

*"Give Thanks"*



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!

*Last time*

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### Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Communion Prayer

P: In the night in which he was betrayed ...

### 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

*All baptized believers are welcome to commune.*

### Distribution of the Communion Wafer

*(Please stand and remain at your chair. As the usher approaches, hold out an open hand, palm up, fingers straight out. The usher will place a wafer in your open palm. Do not touch the usher's hand. Do not touch the paten or other wafers. Such actions would cause contamination. Please take your seat after consuming the wafer so the ushers will know who has communed.)*

### Blessing

*Response after the blessing: C: Amen.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

L: Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **Benediction**

*Response: C: Amen.*

### **Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

*Response: C: Thanks be to God.*

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**WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!** If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

**THE RADIO BROADCAST** is sponsored to the Glory of God in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Wayne and Susan James who were married at St. Paul's on Saturday, August 29, 1970. By their loving children, Eric, Nathan Abbie, Merissa, and grandchildren, Henley, Torren, and Tally.

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### **SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR:**

Radio – September 13, 20 & 27 (\$60 or any portion you desire)

Flowers – September 27 both vases (\$20 per vase)

Bulletins – September 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$20)

Eternal Flame – September 6, 20 & 27 (\$10)

**R3 GROCERY MINISTRY UPDATE:** We will no longer require shoppers to purchase items for our food kits. We are receiving an abundant amount of food from our two partner organizations and do not need any additional supplies. However, we need help picking up those supplies. If you have a pickup truck or trailer and are available to pick up cases of food from East Berlin on Saturday mornings, please speak to an R3 team member. Thank you for volunteering for this ministry.

**STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET:** *Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. – Romans 12:21*

The future church must be a beacon of good, casting a true vision of hope, love, justice, and mercy as we commit to follow Jesus into a new way of being and living. Today's gospel lesson reminds us that we must lose our life to find it in Jesus (Matthew 15:21-28). What do you and your faith community need to do to become that beacon in an uncertain world?

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**THE FAITH IN ACTION COMMITTEE IS COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES** until the end of September. They will be packed up sometime the first week of October and delivered to New Windsor by mid-October. Here is an updated list of what is needed:

- 208 – 70-80 sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled paper approximately 8" by 10½"
- 40 – pencil sharpeners
- 244 – black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- 10 – 2½" eraser
- **No more pencils are needed**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES** shoe boxes are available now near the bushes by the altar. Please take one home and fill it. There is a brochure in the box telling you what is needed. **Return the filled boxes as soon as we are meeting back inside the church building.** The final date for boxes to be returned is November 15, 2020. Thank you for caring.

**REMOTE OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday – Thursday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; Friday – 8:00 am to noon  
(The physical church office will remain closed until further notice but can still be reached by phone or email.)

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| <b>SUN., AUGUST 30</b>   | 8:30 am Radio Broadcast<br>9:30 am Outdoor Worship Service |
| <b>FRI., SEPTEMBER 4</b> | PAL Team 1   |
| <b>SAT., SEPTEMBER 5</b> | Grocery Ministry   |
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