

HOLY COMMUNION

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost/Youth Sunday

September 16, 2018

10:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Three weeks ago we heard John's gospel's version of Peter's confession of faith. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of "messiah") in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: *Lift High the Cross*

Hamlin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *Lift High the Cross*

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

P Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

P In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,
I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Stand

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO)

The image shows a musical score for the Canticle of Praise (Gloria in Excelsis Deo). It consists of seven staves of music in a single system, all written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major). The lyrics are written below the notes. The music features a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are: "We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men".

We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

BIBLES GIVEN TO FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS

BEAR CREEK CAMP REPORT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

▣ A reading from Isaiah.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

- A** The word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-98 (*The congregation sings the verses in bold face type.*)

¹I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my | supplication,
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I | called upon him.

²**The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took |**
hold of me;

I came to | grief and sorrow.

³Then I called upon the name | of the LORD:
"O LORD, I pray you, | save my life."

⁴**Gracious is the | LORD and righteous;**
our God is full | of compassion.

⁵The LORD watches o- | ver the innocent;
I was brought very low, | and he helped me.

⁶**Turn again to your rest, | O my soul.**
for the LORD has treat- | ed you well.

⁷For you have rescued my | life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling.

⁸**I will walk in the presence | of the LORD**
in the land | of the living.

SECOND READING

James 3:1-12

This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.

A A reading from James.

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.

³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation sings the Acclamation.

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

The image shows a single line of musical notation on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." are written below the staff, aligned with the notes.

The choir sings the Verse.

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for | the unrighteous,
In order to bring | you to God.

The image shows two lines of musical notation on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first line contains a whole rest followed by a quarter note, and the second line contains a quarter note followed by a half note. The lyrics "Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for | the unrighteous, In order to bring | you to God." are written below the staff, with vertical bar lines corresponding to the musical phrasing.

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for | the unrighteous,
In order to bring | you to God.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-38

This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but

he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

G **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?”

²⁸And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

G **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit

SERMON

Senior High Youth

Stand

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

APOSTLES CREED

P With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C **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 into hell.
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 INTERCESSION

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A Gracious God and Father, you sent your Son to suffer death for our salvation and, by his example, teach the way of the cross. Grant that for Jesus' sake we continue to walk the way of the cross, and confess by our example, that he is the Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

A We pray for the church, for its pastors and bishops, for the newly

baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace. Lord, in your mercy,

☩ hear our prayer.

A We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

☩ hear our prayer.

A We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

☩ hear our prayer.

A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,

☩ hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

☩ Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☩ And also with you.

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say **Peace be with you** or similar words.*

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

Sit

OFFERING

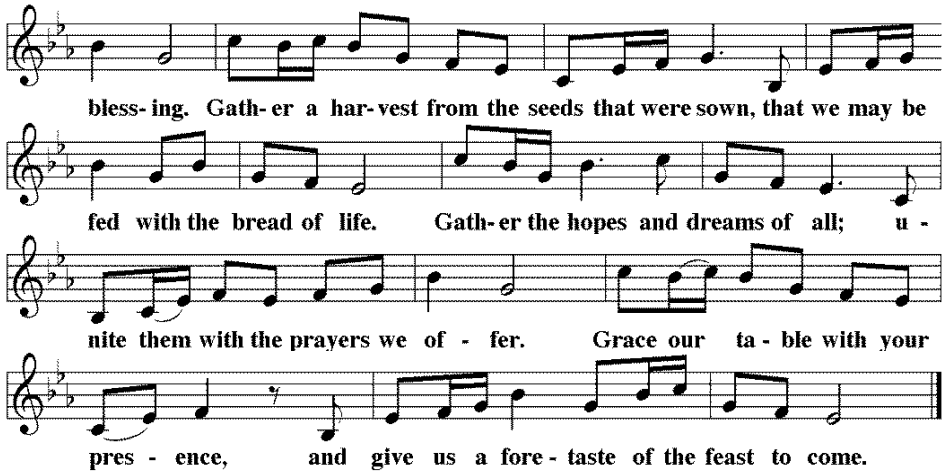
Who'll be a witness for my Lord?
Oh I'll be a witness for my Lord.

There was a man of the Pharisees,
His name was Nicodemus and he didn't believe.
The same came to Christ by night,
wanted to be taught out of human sight.
Nicodemus was a man who desired to know
how a man can be born when he is old.
Christ told Nicodemus as a friend,
"Man, you must be born again"
He said, "Marvel not, If you want to be wise,
repent, believe and be baptized."
Then you'll be a witness for my Lord.

You read about Samson, from his birth
he was the strongest man that ever lived on earth.
Way back yonder in ancient times
he killed ten thousand of the Philistines.
Then old Samson went a wandering about.
Samson's strength was never found out.
'Til his wife sat up on his knee.
She said, "Tell me where you strength lies, if you please"
Well old Samson's wife, she talked so fair
Samson said, "Cut off a my hair. Cut it off.
Shave my head just as clean as your hand,
and my strength will 'come like a natural man."
Samson was a witness for my Lord.

There's another witness for my Lord...
My soul is a witness for my Lord!!

Stand**OFFERTORY**



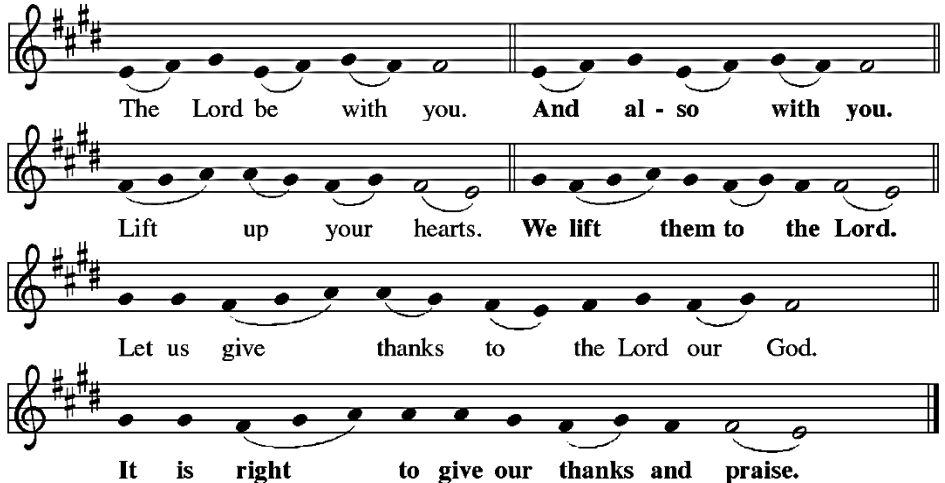
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
 fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray...Merciful Father,
B we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

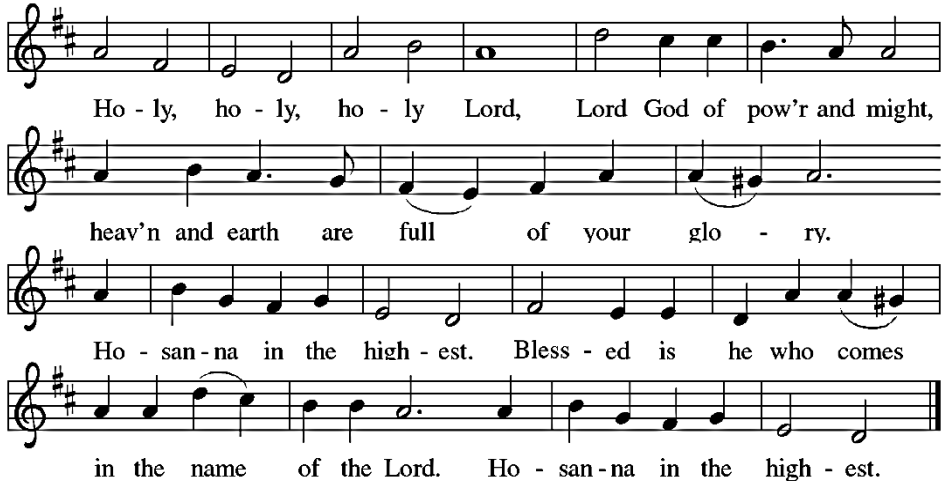


The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

☐ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly sings the SANCTUS:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

☐ 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

☐ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

☑ **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

- ☐ Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- ☑ **Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

Sit

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

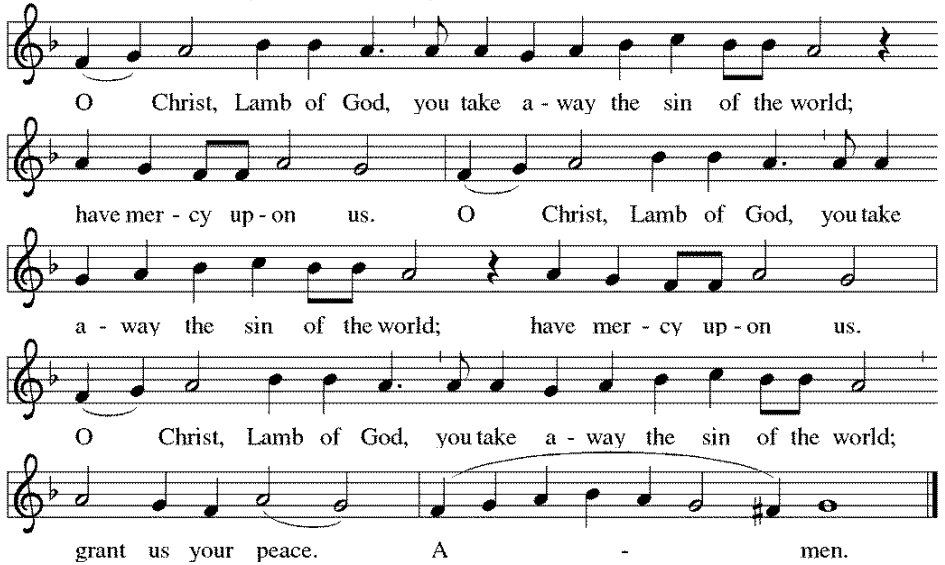
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond

☒ Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are “truly and substantially” present “in, with, and under” the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to kneel at the altar rail for a blessing. The Body of Christ is received in the palm of the hand. The Blood of Christ is poured into a small glass which should be picked up on the way to the altar rail.

Music during Communion:

LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

HYMN: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

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Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you
and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING (BENEDICTION)



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

DISMISSAL

- Ⓐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- Ⓑ Thanks be to God.

HYMN: *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

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POSTLUDE: *Divertissement*

Young



The Time of the Church is the season after Pentecost, beginning with The Holy Trinity and ending with Christ the King. These weeks focus on Christ's ministry and teaching.

On Sundays for which the color is green, it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

The liturgical color green, symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.

2018 Stewardship Campaign Update		
	Commitment Cards	Dollar Amount
Total Possible	272	\$235,000
Received as of 8/12/18	105	\$153,197
Amount Outstanding	167	\$81,803
<p>If you have not yet returned your Commitment Card for 2018, please return the completed card as soon as possible. A copy of the 2018 Commitment Card can be downloaded from the parish web site, www.augustrappe.org, under the “About Us” tab.</p>		

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Assisting in the Service:

Altar Servers: Griffin Crothers and Aaron Crothers

Lectors: 8:00 am & 10:30 am: Andrew Meeley, Rachel Schaffer, and
Jeremy Wentworth

Ushers: Jack Schatz, Pat O'Hara, Chilly Lyaro, and Dick Allebach

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine

10:30 am: Jennifer Wentworth and Bob Rodenberger

Greeters: Members of the Senior Youth Group

Altar Guild: 8:00 am: Sally Sweeney

10:30 am: Deb Scholl and Sherry Jessee

Offering Tabulation: John Kochel, Brian O'Hara, and Frank DePaul

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Richard K. Allebach in loving memory of the Birthday Anniversary of Father, Harold T. Allebach.

The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schatz in memory of parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dieffenbach and Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Schatz.

The Worship Bulletins are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. Shane Elison and Family in thanks for blessings received.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	9/16	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
			Mission Trip Presentation
		8:45 am	Children's Music
		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Brick Church Nave
			Mission Trip Presentation
			6 th Grade Students Receive Bibles
Monday	9/17	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
		7:00 pm	Cubs AOL Mtg
		7:00 pm	Scout District Meeting
		7:30 pm	Book Club
Tuesday	9/18	9:30 am	Quilting Group
		7:00 pm	Bear Den Meeting
		7:00 pm	Scout Committee Meeting
Wednesday	9/19	6:00 pm	3-in-1 Confirmation Class
Thursday	9/20	5:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
		6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9/21	3:00 pm	Cooney Wedding
		7:00 pm	Cubs Pack Meeting
Saturday	9/22		
Sunday	9/23	8:00 am	Holy Communion in the Chapel
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		9:00 am	Sunday School
		9:15 am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30 am	Holy Communion in the Brick Church Nave



October 27, 2018

Craft Show and Flea Market

Augustus Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Time: 8 am to 12 noon

Sponsored by WELCA

Table spaces-\$20

Call Deb Scholl -610-409-1950 or

Ann Walker-484-273-8388

Bake Sale and snacks for sale

All profits go to WELCA Missionary Fund

Birthday Party!

You're Invited!

**Our Augustus Church family is cordially invited to an
Open House to celebrate**

Anne Lachenmayer's 90th Birthday!

**On Saturday, September 29th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
in the Augustus Church Fellowship Hall.**

Come when you can, leave when you must!

No gifts, please.

The gift of your presence is the best gift of all!

**Questions? Contact Karen Lachenmayer at
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Ellen Wallace at 610-781-7429**

Hosted by Karen, Diane, Gail, Greg, Ellen, and Anne

Unable to attend? Send a card instead!

**Anne Lachenmayer
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WANTED

STUDENTS IN GRADES 9-12

**COME JOIN THE SENIOR YOUTH GROUP FOR A YEAR OF
SERVICE, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP**

**WE MEET THE 1ST WEDNESDAY AND 3RD SUNDAY EACH
MONTH, AS WELL AS OTHER DATES FOR
FUNDRAISERS/ACTIVITIES**

**PHILLIES
SOUP SALES
MINI GOLF
CARE PACKAGES
ESCAPE ROOM
TRUNK OR TREAT
BOWLING
PIE MAKING
MOVIES
EGG/MINT COOKIES/EASTER BASKETS
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AND MUCH MORE**

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