

## HOLY COMMUNION

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2016

8:00 am

### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people—"all who have longed for his appearing"—shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For all this the assembly glorifies God forever.

### SILENT PRAYER

### PRELUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

*Stand*

**HYMN:** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

# 742

### 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.

**C** 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)

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**C** Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Sit*

### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 14:7-10. 19-22

*In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.*

**A** A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>7</sup>Although our iniquities testify against us,  
act, O LORD, for your name's sake;  
our apostasies indeed are many,  
and we have sinned against you.

<sup>8</sup>O hope of Israel,  
its savior in time of trouble,

why should you be like a stranger in the land,  
like a traveler turning aside for the night?  
<sup>9</sup>Why should you be like someone confused,  
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?  
Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,  
and we are called by your name;  
do not forsake us!

<sup>10</sup>Thus says the LORD concerning this people:  
Truly they have loved to wander,  
they have not restrained their feet;  
therefore the LORD does not accept them,  
now he will remember their iniquity  
and punish their sins.

<sup>19</sup>Have you completely rejected Judah?  
Does your heart loathe Zion?  
Why have you struck us down  
so that there is no healing for us?  
We look for peace, but find no good;  
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

<sup>20</sup>We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,  
the iniquity of our ancestors,  
for we have sinned against you.

<sup>21</sup>Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;  
do not dishonor your glorious throne;  
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

<sup>22</sup>Can any idols of the nations bring rain?  
Or can the heavens give showers?

Is it not you, O LORD our God?  
We set our hope on you,  
for it is you who do all this.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

*The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who is now facing death. Though others have let him down, Paul is sure of his faith in the Lord, who has stood by him and lent him strength.*

**A** A reading from Second Timothy.

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

<sup>16</sup>At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! <sup>17</sup>But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. <sup>18</sup>The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**C** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

## GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

*The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.*

**P** The holy gospel according to Luke.

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

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that

they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:<sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

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

*Sit*

**SERMON**

Pastor Weleck

*Stand*

*The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. 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 Lord, be merciful when we sinners come into your presence  
with sanctimonious airs, despising fellow sinners. Let your Word  
wash over us again and sanctify us with a spirit of humility and  
penitence. 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,
- C** **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,
- C** **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,
- C** **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,
- C** **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.

**C** Amen.

## PEACE

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

**C** 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

*Stand*

### OFFERTORY

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your



pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

- A** Let us pray...Merciful Father,
- C** 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:*

- 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 our thanks and praise.

*The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:*

- P** 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 continues with the SANCTUS:*

- C** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*The minister continues with the WORDS OF INSTITUTION, usually included in a Eucharistic Prayer.*

- P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.  
You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world  
to fulfill for us your holy will  
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**☩ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P** Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
and the promise of his coming again,  
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought but as we are able;  
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
may be formed to live as your holy people  
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**☩ Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** 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

**P** 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.

**C** Lord, I am not worthy  
that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word  
and my soul shall be healed.

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

**C** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace.

*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*

**R** 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. Communion will be distributed by Intinction. Receive the Body of Christ in the palm of your hand from the Pastor and then dip the host into the chalice containing*

*the Blood of Christ held by the Communion Assistant. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.*

**Stand**

**SONG AFTER COMMUNION (NUNC DIMITTIS)**

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has  
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion  
which you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:  
a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,  
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,  
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

**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)

**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.

### DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE: *Dialogue*

Martin



**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.

### Assisting in the Service

Altar Servers: Liz Wentworth and Jeremy Wentworth

Ushers: 8:00 am: Members of the 8:00 am Usher Team

10:30 am: Frank DePaul, Joe Cooney, Chris Dogonniuck, and Dick Allebach

Lectors: 8:00 am: Sandy Trauger

10:30 am: Barbara Burch and Cynthia Snyder

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am: Debra Augustine

10:30 am: Barbara Burch and Janice Reiff

Offering Tabulation: John Kochel, Brian O'Hara and Janice Reiff

Altar Guild: 8:00 am Sally Sweeney

10:30 am: Donna Beishl

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The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Jason and Tammy Griggs in honor of son Evan's birthday

The Altar Flowers in the Upper Nave are given to the glory of God by Fred and Gail Bischoff in loving memory of Parents, Mr. Henry and Mrs. Marion Shuler, Sr., and Brothers, Henry Jr. and David Shuler.

Altar Guild Needs Your Assistance!! No experience necessary. We fill the candles with oil, the pitchers with wine, and put flowers in the vases. We work in partners and serve two or three times in a year. Please call Donna Beishl at 610-350-0238 to have any questions about this function answered.

Parents of children aged three through sixth grade: Please feel free to relax in the Fellowship Hall with coffee and other parents while your children are in Sunday school. If you like, you can also join the adult Bible study class that meets in the library during the Sunday school hour.

The Daily Bread Community Food Pantry in Schwenksville is facing a shortage of food as we head into fall! Please consider making donations to this outreach that serves our local community! Donations can be taken to the food pantry, or dropped off in the basket in the breezeway at Augustus!

Fall Fitness with Aerobic Rhythmic: All new 8-week Aeroflex session begins October 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am. We are offering 20% off to all church members. Don't let your fitness go to the wayside with the holiday hustle and Bustle! Call 610-489-3180 to register.

Can the Senior Youth Group help you? The Senoir group goes on a Mission trip every year during the summer. During these trips we do service projects for families in need. We realize that we don't have to travel in order to help those in need. If you have a service project that our youth could assist in, please let us know. Please send your request to [youth@augustustrappe.org](mailto:youth@augustustrappe.org). We are looking to do 3-5 projects throughout the year. Any materials needed would have to be purchased by those for whom we are doing the work. The labor and supervision will be provided by the youth group. Once requests are made, we will determine which projects we are able to do.

### Social Ministry Clothing Drive THIS MONTH!

*Switching your bathing suit for a winter coat? Packing away those great summer tanks for warm fuzzy sweaters? 'Tis the season! While you're going through your closet, don't forget about our Annual Clothing Drive!*

Beginning October 16, and continuing through October 30, the Social Ministry Committee will accept gently used, clean, and mended clothing donations for their annual fall clothing drive. Place donations in bags or boxes in the foyer of the Fellowship Hall by the coat racks. These clothes go to The Seventh Day Adventist Help Center and the St. Vincent DePaul Society in Philadelphia.





ENJOY TRICK OR TREATING IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT  
AT OUR ANNUAL



## Augustus Lutheran Church

717 WEST MAIN STREET, TRAPPE

**October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**4:00-5:30pm**

**Our youth group and their families have decorated their cars for your entertainment.**

We are looking for members of the congregation to get into the Halloween Spirit and decorate their cars for this great family activity! Contact Gary Wessner at [gtwess@comcast.net](mailto:gtwess@comcast.net) for more information or to sign up!

# *Experiencing the Joy of Generosity*

## **Members Respond to Annual Stewardship Appeal**

We are wrapping up our annual stewardship commitments. We thank all those who have already submitted their commitments for 2017. Your support enables us to continue our ministries in the church and the community. Thank you!

We encourage everyone to submit a commitment for 2017 by the end of the year. Making a financial commitment is part of the commitment that we make to the Lord and to each other as members of our church. God has brought us together ... let's all do the best we can for the Lord!



### **Sixth Annual Thanksgiving Apple Pie Sale**

#### **Sponsored by the Senior Youth Group**

Pies can be picked up on 20-Nov-2016 after both the early and late Services.

Pies will be frozen.

Baking instructions will be provided.

Cost: \$10.00 per pie.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pies: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick up on 20-Nov-2016 (check one)

After the early Service (8:00 am): \_\_\_\_\_

After the late Service (10:30 am): \_\_\_\_\_