

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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## THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER HOLY TRINITY— October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Order of Service: (LSB) Page 184, Divine Service, Setting Three

Hymns: 672, 797, (895, 556, 674) 587

Psalm: 84

Catechetical Review: The Lord's Prayer

Q: What is the introduction of The Lord's Prayer?

**A: Our Father who art in heaven.**

Q: What does this mean?

**A: God would by these words tenderly invite us to believe that He is our true Father, and that we are His true children, so that we may with all boldness and confidence ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.**

**"And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven.""**

**OUR LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US!** One of those great things is the giving of His own body and blood in Holy Communion. We ask guests who desire to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. We practice what is known as "closed communion" because of the Bible's teaching that doctrinal unity is central to its common reception.

**AS WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP** and center our thoughts and minds on God's Word, the organists will be playing 10 minutes of pre-service/prelude music. Please observe silence once the music begins. A few good spiritual disciplines to prepare for worship during this time include: reading the lessons, the hymns of the day, the psalms, and the Catechism (p.321 in the hymnal); examining your life and your sins and giving thanks for receiving God's forgiveness; and, of course prayer. Because of Jesus, we can approach our heavenly Father in confidence that He is tender and merciful. However, and we have all been in this situation, sometimes we do not know what to pray for or cannot find the words. Remember that the Holy Spirit is already praying for you, and that through the Word of God, He guides us in prayer. Specific prayers for worship are found on the first page of the hymnal, additional prayers for many concerns are found on pages 305-318, and of course, there is the prayer that our Lord taught us, the Lord's Prayer.

**REMINDER:** Please remember to sign the record of fellowship during the offering. It is located in the binder at the end of each pew. Thank you.

**FOR PRAYER REQUESTS** for the Prayer Partners, call Cathie Mann at (262) 994-7371, or email: cmann5@wi.rr.com. You can also contact the church office.

**FRIENDS AND VISITORS:** Enjoy coffee, treats and fellowship after the early service downstairs and stay for Bible Study. If you are visiting with us today, please sign the Guest Book in the Narthex.

**SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP THIS WEEK:** **Elder:** Wednesday – ; Sunday: 8:00 – Randy Verbeten; 10:30 – Bob Katterhagen and Jerry Nigro. **Organist:** Wednesday – Lora Heinz; Sunday: 8:00 – Lora Heinz; 10:30 – Sharon Mueller. **Altar Guild:** Wednesday – Lori Arnold; Kevin Steffens and Bernice Steffens; 8:00 – Karen Badtke; 10:30 – . **Acolyte:** Wednesday – ; Sunday: 8:00 – ; 10:30 – .

**PRELUDE 10:30 SERVICE:** "Jerusalem the Golden"

**ATTENDANCE: Last Week:** Wednesday – 15; Sunday: 8:00– 50; 10:30– 60; **TOTAL:** 125. Sunday School- 18.

**OUR GIVING: Last Week:** General Fund - \$5,351.00; Sunday School – \$10.00; **TOTAL - \$5,361.00. Needed each week to meet budget - \$5,450.00.**

**THE ETERNAL CANDLE** for the month of October is given to the glory of God by Terry & Robin Andersen in honor of their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Dan & Delores Chovan in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**THANK YOU:** I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, cards, visits, food, and especially prayers. I would also like to thank God, who has given the surgeon and staff such wonderful talents, including the nurses and helpers, such caring people ~ Richard Murdoch.

**YOUTH GROUP:** TODAY we will be holding a Christian Formation Night at St. Peter's - Waterford, 4-6:00pm. Pizza and games will follow the study. If you would like to carpool, we will be meeting in the parking lot at 3:15.

**OKTOBERFEST** at Messiah Lutheran Church on Friday, Oct. 12, 5:30-7:30. There will be schnitzel, other German food, a polka band, dancing, and a costume contest including prizes for all ages.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Starting October 14<sup>th</sup>, we will be studying the Divine Service: why we worship the way we do; each of the different pieces of the service; where the different parts come from in the Bible; the difference between Lutheran worship and other religions; and, much more. This class is an excellent way for you to deepen your understanding and appreciation of the Divine Service, and an opportunity to ask any questions you have had about why we worship the way we do. It would also be a great study for you to bring friends and neighbors who may be interested in our church or who do not have a church home.

**FALL CASSEROLE LUNCHEON:** The Ladies Guild will be hosting their Casserole Luncheon on October 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00-1:00. It would be greatly appreciated if you could assist with providing a dish. Sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex.

**REFORMATION SERVICE AND RALLY:** The dual-Circuit Reformation Celebration will be at St. John's-Racine on Oct. 28 at 4:00 pm. There will be a meal immediately following. (Brats, German potato salad, etc.).

**ABOUT THE COVER:** The paralytic's friends, though facing obstacles, bring him to Jesus--to where true healing by the forgiveness of sins is found.

