



## 14th Sunday after Pentecost—September 6, 2020

### ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793



### Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.

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We, the people of St. Paul's, are a community for spiritual health, centered in Christ.

We challenge ourselves to share and live Christ's love  
within the congregation, within the community and to the larger world.

### VIRTUALLY SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Vicar Phil Beck

Lector.....Marie Purswell

### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Trisha Valcarcel  
Vice-President—Sheila Kahler  
Treasurer—Amy Mildenstein  
Secretary—Patty Rimel

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## PRELUDE

## \*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Reconciling with God

**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.**

C: God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

## \*SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of Christ be with you

C: **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN.....Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven.....ELW 864

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heaven;  
joyfully your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore God's praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praises everlasting ring!

4 Angels sing in adoration,  
in God's presence, face to face.  
Sun and moon and all creation,  
all who dwell in time and space.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of grace!

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.**

*KYRIE (ELW, p. 147)*

Cantor: In peace let us pray to the Lord

C: **Lord, have mercy**

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

C: **Lord, have mercy**

Cantor: 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 mercy.**

Cantor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

Cantor: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

*\*PRAYER OF THE DAY:*

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11*

*L: The Word of the Lord*

C: **Thanks be to God**

*PSALM: Psalm 119*

<sup>33</sup>Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,  
**and I shall keep it to the end.**

<sup>34</sup>Give me understanding, and I shall keep your  
teaching;

**I shall keep it with all my heart.**

<sup>35</sup>Lead me in the path of your commandments,  
**for that is my desire.**

<sup>36</sup>Incline my heart to your decrees  
**and not to unjust gain.**

<sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes from be- holding falsehood;  
**give me life in your way.**

<sup>38</sup>Fulfill your promise to your servant,  
**which is for those who fear you.**

<sup>39</sup>Turn away the reproach that I dread,  
**because your judgments are good.**

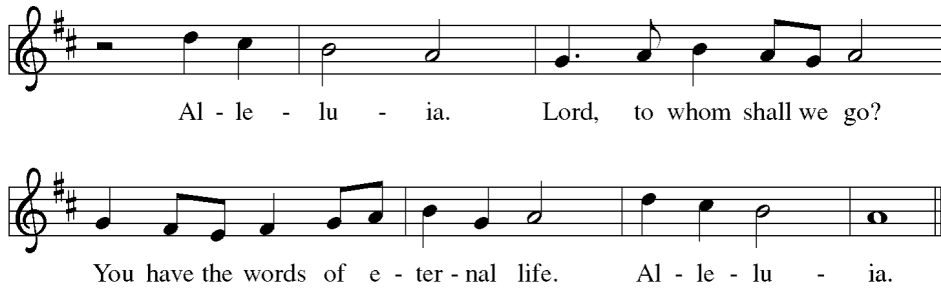
<sup>40</sup>Behold, I long for your commandments;  
**by your righteousness enliven me.**

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

L: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

*\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*



*\*GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20*

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

P: *The Gospel of our Lord*

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

SERMON .....Vicar Phil Beck

HYMN OF THE DAY.....*Day of Arising (Tune: BUNESSAN) Morning has Broken.....ELW 374*

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| 1 | Day of arising,<br>Christ on the roadway,<br>unknown companion walks with his own.<br>When they invite him,<br>as fades the first day,<br>and bread is broken, Christ is made known. | 4 | Christ, our companion,<br>hope for the journey,<br>bread of compassion, open our eyes.<br>Grant us your vision,<br>set all hearts burning<br>that all creation with you may rise. |
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**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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 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.***

**OFFERING** Please mail your gifts to the church office or consider online giving.

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN**

**Change My Heart, O God**

*Refrain*



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.

*End*



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.



You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

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Music: CHANGE MY HEART, Eddie Espinosa  
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**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**P:** ... Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**P:** Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us...

**C:** **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.**

**\*BENEDICTION:**

**P:** Mothering God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

**Amen.**

**\*SENDING HYMN.....Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.....ELW 836**

1 Joyful, joyful we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love!  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,  
praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living,  
ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,  
all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine!

*Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922*

**\*DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

**Prayer List**

Ellen Hatgi

**The Lawrence Family**

**Katrina Pank**

Marie Purswell's cousins

Annie James Pisner, Tommy Sorge

Marion Forrest

Rick Fischler

Ned Kadoura

The Cavell Family

The Knoebel Family

The Stuck Family

Dawn Knoebel

Mark Forrest

Milton & Dolores Denn

Heather Anderson & Lexi Anderson

Karen White

Audrey McDougall

**Erica Hoff**

Shirley Eyler

**Sharyl Mildenstein**

Robb Port

Joe Collins

Ann Curtis

Dr. Heather DeVincentis

Margaret Harris

The Wynne Family

**Military List**

+Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy,  
niece to Linwood Snider

+Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce,  
grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas

+U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik,  
grandson of Sam Purswell

+Dan Beck, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, son of  
Vicar Phil & Susan Beck

+Nick Parker, U.S. Marines, grandson  
of Peggy and Ed Chaney

+Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law  
of Marcia & Raj Gupta

*Do you have need for prayer?*

*Do you know someone else who has need for prayer?*

*If so, please know that we have a prayer team at*

*St. Paul's that is ready to help.*

*Simply contact the Church Office.*

*All requests are confidential.*

***\*\*Please remember all the names on our prayer  
list, and especially  
those that are **bold**.***

*They have a specific current need for  
Christian love and support.*

## **Here's a Great Chance for Some Church Fellowship!!**

### **Church Picnic**

Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 11am until 1pm

Lawn Area next to the Church Parsonage

Bring your own picnic, chair(s), blanket(s)

St. Paul's will also be participating in a Community Out reach Program.

If you can, please bring: Fruit cups/canned fruit, Hamburger/Tuna Helper.

These food items will be supporting Glade Valley Food Bank and area schools.

***Can't Wait to See you!!***



## **OFFERINGS**

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times.  
It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community.

Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

<https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/>

**Please Note:** We are not currently making a deposit each week due to the limited number of checks being sent into the office on a weekly basis.

Typically we have been making a deposit mi-month and prior to the end of the month.

### **LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:**

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,715.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

### **Actual/Electronic Income**

Aug. 30, 2020: Renovation Fund: \$ 180.00

Weekly Contribution: \$2,543.25

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Virtual August 30, 2020: 57

### **This Week at St Paul's**

#### **Sunday, September 6th**

Outdoor Worship 8:30am

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

#### **Monday, September 7th**

Labor Day, Offices Closed

#### **Tuesday September 8th**

Congregational Life 7:00pm

#### **Wednesday, September 9th**

FEC 8am-4pm

#### **Thursday, September 10th**

Gathered at the Table 12:00 noon

#### **Sunday September 13th**

Outdoor Worship 8:30am

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Church Picnic 11am-1pm



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*\*

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service.

<https://youtu.be/tkBMteHDyB8>

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6l9JEpgsBUXlow1l7\\_-Q](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6l9JEpgsBUXlow1l7_-Q)

## \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT REMINDER\*\*\*\*\*

Please remember, it is imperative that you completely fill out the **PINK** sign in sheets located on the bulletin board in the Church and on the table inside the door in the Parish Hall if you are entering either building at a time other than a scheduled meeting or service. **Please** remember to check in with the Office **before** entering the Church building or the Parish Hall.

## GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

**Items of need are** soup, cereal, canned fruit, crackers, shampoo/conditioner and toilet paper.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall



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