

17th Sunday After Pentecost—October 2, 2022

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.

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Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

SERVING TODAY

Minister	Pastor Phil Beck
Lector	Pat Fellows
Organist	Jeff Gentry
Ushers	Sam and Marie Purswell

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Russ Mildenstein Vice-President—Trisha Valcarcel Treasurer—Amy Mildenstein Secretary—Jackie Waas *Please stand as you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE/CANDLES LIT

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*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- 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, who is eager to forgive, and who loves us beyond our days.
- C: Amen.
- P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P: God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.
- P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*The Peace

- P: The peace of Christ be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

*GATHERING HYMN......ELW 526

- 1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

- 3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

*GREETING (ELW, p. 147)

- 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) (Sung)

- L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: 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.
- L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.

*Canticle of Praise (Sung)

- P: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.
- C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation; Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P: Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37

¹Do not be provoked by evildoers:

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

³Put your trust in the Lord and do good;

dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴Take delight in the Lord,

who shall give you your heart's desire.

⁵Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord,

and see what God will do.

⁶The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light

and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

⁷Be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

⁹For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

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SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

L: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 151)



The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 17th chapter, 17:5-10

C: Glory to you, O Lord. (Sung)

*THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

C: Praise to you, O Christ. (Sung)

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, oh, let me from this day be wholly thine!
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me, oh, may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

*THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God. eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

- 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.
- 4 When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll; blest Savior, then, in love fear and distrust remove; oh, bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: ... God of Grace, C: Hear our prayer.

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online giving.

*OFFERTORY HYMN Let the Vineyards be Fruitful, ELW 184

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

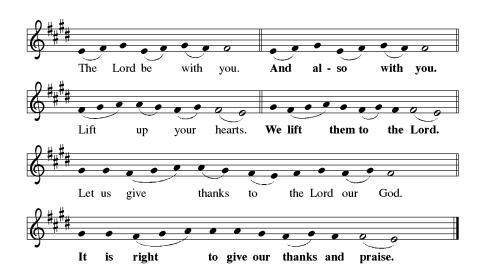
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*OFFERTORY PRAYER:

P: Gracious God,

C: in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW, p.152)



*THE PREFACE:

P: It is indeed right our duty and our joy; that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day over came death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: *(ELW, p. 153) Holy, holy, holy Lord, 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.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

P: 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 in 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 in 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.

C: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

*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.
- *C: (ELW, p.194)

 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,

 grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION:

- P: All are welcome at Christ's Table, come as you are. The feast is prepared, the table is set, come and eat.
- *P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.

*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: (ELW, 204)

C: Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

- P: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed out hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

*BENEDICTION:

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

C: Amen.

*SENDING HYMN...... God Be with You Till We Meet Again......ELW 536

1 God be with you till we meet again; by good counsels guide, uphold you, with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again. 2 God be with you till we meet again; holy wings securely hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. *Refrain*

Refrain

Till we meet, (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet again,)
till we meet at Jesus' feet; (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet,)
till we meet, (till we meet again.)
God be with you till we meet again.

3 God be with you till we meet again; when life's perils thick confound you, put unfailing arms around you; God be with you till we meet again. *Refrain*

Text: Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1828-1904, alt.

*DISMISSAL

GO IN PEACE, LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR, THANKS BE TO GOD.

Please remain seated until the conclusion of the Postlude.

Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry.



Ellen Hatgi, member

Tommy Sorge, Nephew of Marie Purswell

Milton & Dolores Denn, Members

Erica Hoff, Daughter of Betty Walker

Sharyl Mildenstein, Family of Russ & Amy Mildenstein

Robb Port. Member

Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis

Dr. Heather DeVincentis, Friend of Sue and Lin Snyder

Libbianna LeDuff, Family of Hope Donati

Ronald Zeimen, Father of Amy Mildenstein

Thelma Powell, Member

Robert Hoff, III, Member

Family of Barbara Miller, Relative of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Joe Evens, Father of Patty Rimel

Dennis and Regina Cavell, Members

Eric and Anna Cavell, Son and Daughter-in-law of Dennis and Regina Cavell

Debbie O'Brien & children, Matthew Lokos, Benjamin & Dorothy Cavell, Family of Dennis & Regina Cavell

Barb Callow, Close friend of Marie Purswell

Peggy E., Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Kathryn Evens, Mother of Patty Rimel

Lin Snider. member

Ron and Sharon Layman, Friends of Betsy Galliher

Bob Schmidt, Brother of Dottie Titmas

Julia Campbell, Concerned Friends

The Wynne Family

Bob Waas, Father of Mike Waas

Bruce Bierer, Brother of Connie Chesnik

Sue Snyder, Member

Betty Walker, Member

Shirley Merando, Member

Maggie Purtee, Sister of Sam Purswell

Jason Connors, Nephew of Robb and Dianne Port

Anne Bartel, Friend of Betsy Galliher

April Pratt, Member

Hazel Kopp, Member

Audrey McDougall, Member

Lyla Cavell, Granddaughter of Dennis and Regina Cavell

Rick Fischler. Friend of Robb and Dianne Port

Darren, Sharon and Samuel Kelly, Friends of Autumn Lake

Zach, Margaret, and Sydney - relatives of Dee Dee Kopp

Tony Magturo, Friend of Pastor Phil and Sue Beck

Phil Smith, Member

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

+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, Captain., U.S. Army, son of Pastor Phil & Susan Beck +Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of Marcia & Raj Gupta +1st LT Patrick Campion, US Army, son of Michelle and Michael Harrod +Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of Mary Ann Ferguson +Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in law

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.

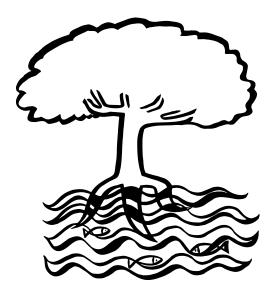
They have a specific current need for Christian love and support.

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

Would you know that Christ is the seed? He is the grain of mustard seed, in that the narrative of the Lord's passion is most bitter and most grievous, most bitter unto tears, most grievous unto our repentance. He sows the grain of mustard and so sows the kingdom of heaven. Not only is Christ the seed, but the least of all the seeds, because he came not in power, not in wealth, not in the wisdom of this world. But suddenly he unfolds as a tree the soaring eminence of his might.

—Ambrose

[Ambrose, in The Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers, I, 350-51.]



*****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.

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/

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,825.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$360.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income September 19, 2022:

Weekly Contributions: \$524.70 Property Loan Fund: \$55.00

Total: \$579.70

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$1,225.00
Property Loan Fund: \$300.00
Total: \$1,525.00

ATTENDANCE:

September 25, 2022

In person: 52 Virtual: 20 Autumn Lake: 5

This Week at St Paul's		
Sunday, October 2, 2022 Worship (Livestream) 17th Sunday after Pentecost Ministry Sunday	9:25am 10:30am	
Monday, October 3rd FEC	8am-5pm	
Tuesday, October 4th Frederick Home School Calendar Meeting	10am-3pm 6:00pm	
Wednesday, October 5th FEC	8am-5pm	
Thursday October 6th Frederick Home School	10am-3pm	
Sunday October 9th Worship (Livestream) 18th Sunday after Pentecost Faith Formation	9:25am 10:30am	

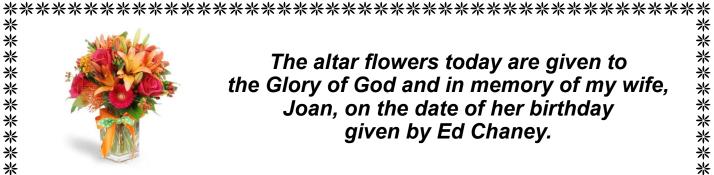
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****IMPORTANT****

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. https://youtu.be/GjGpxVxxpBg

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The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of my wife, Joan, on the date of her birthday given by Ed Chaney.

Have you been called to serve?

If you would like to lector at Sunday Service, whether it is just the lessons, or just the psalm, or all three, please contact Ellen Bucheimer through the Parish Office.

"Faith comes from hearing, and what is heard is the Word of Christ." ~Romans 10:17



It's Spooky Season!

And that means it's time for another fun evening of Trunk-or-Treat!

Saturday, October 29th from 5:30-7:30pm St. Paul's youth will be hosting a Trunk-or-Treat night. We could use some more volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy.

If you have never done it before, it's easy and fun and we'd love to help you get started! Please contact Belinda to reserve a parking space and help St. Paul's reach out to our neighbors and community with a little fun!





HARVEST HOME SUNDAY

An annual tradition in our congregation is to celebrate the harvest by returning a portion of God's gifts to be distributed to others in need.

Sunday October 16th, please bring non-perishable food items to the church. We will be collecting those items at the communion rail. After service they will be counted and taken to the Glade Valley Food Bank. Check the Wednesday newsletter and bulletins for current Food Bank needs.

It's also pumpkin Sunday!
Please pick up a pumpkin to enjoy at home,
on your way out after worship.





All Saints
Sunday resonates
with the conviction
that in Christ every
saint is a sinner
and every sinner a
saint. Lutherans
especially
remember on this
feast that it is
God's grace that
makes us saints.
We find lasting rest
only in the mercy
of God.

At St. Paul's we follow a tradition of honoring all the saints who have passed away since last All Saints Day.

We will light a candle and ring the bell for each person named.

Please call the Parish Office or email @ Officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org to name the person you would like to remember in this way throughout the month of October. Please give the name, relationship to you and date of death. We will need these names by 10/30/2020.

Please address any questions to the Worship and Arts Committee.

Betsy Galliher Worship and Arts Committee Chair

ANNOUNCEMENTS



But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." Matthew 19:14

This year for Faith Formation, Stephanie Isennock has been called to serve in developing our Saint Paul's Youth Faith Formation program. We welcome your volunteerism and ideas as we move forward!

Please register your family for Class this Fall by completing this form: https://forms.gle/iREqAf6n8JGHgA6g7

Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?

Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a date to offer flowers.





GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted! Items of need currently are:

Boxed Crackers Baked Beans Hamburger Helper Bars of Soap

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

<u>Staff</u>

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