



ST. PAUL

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

October 15-17, 2022

19th Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. That is our service to him. But we also assemble to hear God's holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him – that is how God serves us.

Families with small children looking for a quiet space are welcome to use the cry room outside the sanctuary doors to the right. Moms looking for privacy are welcome to use the nursing room across the hall from the cry room and adjacent to the women's room. Ask an usher if you need assistance.

Out of courtesy for others and respect for our services, please silence your cell phone.

SERVICE NOTES FOR THIS SUNDAY

Today in his Word, God urges us to pray and never give up. Learning to pray like that consists of a lifetime of persistence and struggle. But when we struggle with God in prayer, it is not an indication that something is wrong but that everything is right. Struggle is part of the very nature of prayer and at the heart of the blessings it brings in our lives of faith.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

835: 1

*Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.*

MORNING PRAYER

HYMN

721 | *What A Friend We Have in Jesus*

- 1** What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2** Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3** Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

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please stand

O Lord, o - pen my lips,
and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.
Has - ten to save me, O God;
O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff covers the first line of the first verse, the second staff covers the second line, the third staff covers the first line of the second verse, and the fourth staff covers the second line.

Pentecost The Spirit of the Lord fills the world:

praise and thanks to God!

O COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD *Venite*

1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
 2 For the Lord is a great God
 3 The sea is his, for he made it,

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
 3 and his hand formed the dry land.

1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
 2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
 4 For he is our God,

1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
 2 the heights of the hills are also his.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
 4 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.



THE WORD

M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M Let us pray.

God, our refuge and strength, have mercy on your church as we come in prayer before you. Answer us not in judgment on our sins but in peace and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

please be seated

ANTHEM (Cherub Choir 8:00)

"Here I Am to Worship"

*Light of the World, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.*

Refrain

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

*King of all days, oh, so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.*

Refrain

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

*Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.*

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FIRST READING

Genesis 32:22–30

Jacob wrestled with God in prayer.

²²That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. ²⁴So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob’s hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. ²⁶Then the man said, “Let me go, for it is daybreak.”

But Jacob replied, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.”

²⁷The man asked him, “What is your name?”

“Jacob,” he answered.

²⁸Then the man said, “Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome.”

²⁹Jacob said, “Please tell me your name.”

But he replied, “Why do you ask my name?” Then he blessed him there.

³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared.”

M The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 121D

Our help comes from the LORD.

Refrain



Keep me, keep me as the ap - ple of your eye.



Hide me, hide me in the shad-ow of your wings.

Tone



I lift up my eyes to the / mountains—
where does my help / come from?
My help comes / from the LORD,
the maker of heav- / en and earth.
He will not let your / foot slip—
he who watches over you will not / slumber;
indeed, he who watches over / Israel
will neither slum- / ber nor sleep. *Refrain*

The LORD watches / over you—
the LORD is your shade at / your right hand;
the sun will not harm / you by day,
nor the / moon by night.
The LORD will keep you / from all harm—
he will watch o- / ver your life;
the LORD will watch over your coming and / going
both now and for- / evermore.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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SECOND READING

1 John 5:13–15

We can pray to God with confidence.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

M The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

please stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Peter 5:7



Refrain



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

Tone



Cast all your anxie - ty on him because he cares for you.

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GOSPEL

Luke 18:1–8

Jesus urges us to always pray and not give up.

¹Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!' "

⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

M The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

please be seated

HYMN

723 | *When in The Hour of Utmost Need*

- 1** When in the hour of utmost need
we know not where to look for aid,
when days and nights of anxious thought
no help or counsel yet have brought,
- 2** Then is our comfort this alone
that we may meet before your throne;
to you, O faithful God, we cry
for rescue in our misery.
- 3** For you have promised, Lord, to heed
your children's cries in time of need
through him whose name alone is great,
our Savior and our advocate.
- 4** And so we come, O God, today
and all our woes before you lay;
be with us in our anguish still,
free us at last from ev'ry ill,
- 5** So that with all our hearts we may
to you our glad thanksgiving pay,
then walk obedient to your Word
and now and ever praise you, Lord.

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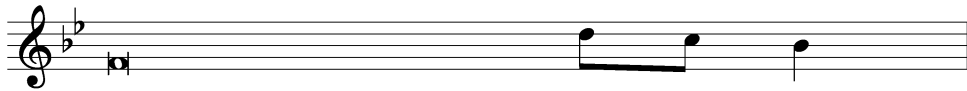
SERMON

Genesis 32:22-30

WRESTLING WITH GOD

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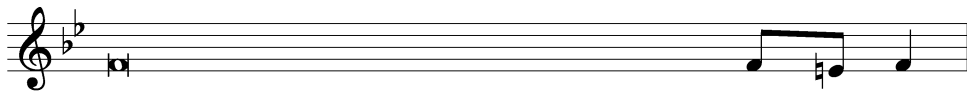
WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD *Te Deum Laudamus*



1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
 3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise ___ you.



1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
 2 heaven and earth are full ___ of your glo - ry.
 3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



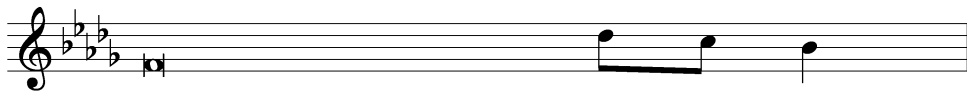
1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
 2 The glorious company of apostles praise ___ you.
 3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



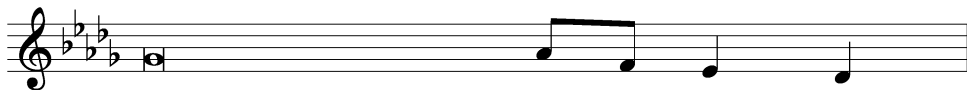
1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
 2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise ___ you.
 3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



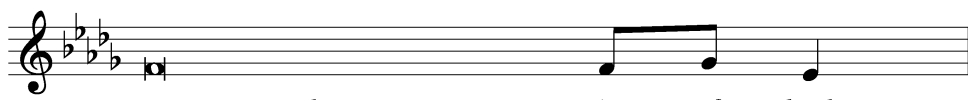
4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



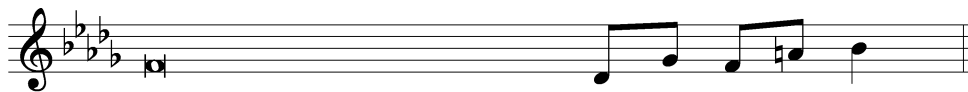
5 When you became man to set us free,
 6 You sit at the right hand of God



5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
 6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come



5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

please be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

The members of St. Paul Lutheran Church have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.



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HYMN

841 | *Entrust Your Fear and Doubting*

- 1 **Entrust your fear and doubting and all that pains your life to him whose hand is guiding your way thro' storm and strife. He governs times and seasons in ways that none can see, so trust his hidden reasons, though dark your path may be.**
- 2 **Have faith in God's vast mercy; consider all he's done: his mighty acts in hist'ry, salvation he has won. When sorrows overwhelm you and self-tormenting care, your worry will not help you— approach his throne in prayer.**
- 3 **In vain the pow'rs of evil oppose the Lord's designs; in all of life's upheaval his promise ever shines. For God holds firm the ending, though now it seems unclear; his purpose is unbending, and thus you need not fear.**
- 4 **Take hope, O weary spirit, be strong and unafraid; God promises a respite for hearts that are dismayed. Your Savior's perfect timing is governed by his grace; the day is surely coming when joy will light your face.**

- 5 **These troubles that distress us, Lord, bring them to an end; with strength and courage bless us, your love to us commend, that we, till death accepting your hidden, loving ways, may then, new life attaining, give praise for endless days.**

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LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an-swer me.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

- M** O God, you have called your servants to ventures of faith of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- C** **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

BLESSING



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

please be seated

WELS CONNECTION

SERVING YOU IN WORSHIP

Preacher Pastor Timothy Nass
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Bruce Dobratz, Jim Buelow, Don Selje
Greeters Gerry & Vicki Walta
Preservice Piano (10:30 AM) Natalie Schultz

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance	October 8-10 ♦ 109+253+167+39= 568			
Offerings:	General	More For Ministry	TOTAL	*Other
Last Week	\$ 26,224	\$ 2,460	\$ 28,684	\$ 3,595
Needed	\$ 33,270	\$ 3,690	\$ 36,960	n/a
* Other offerings include:		Improvement - \$210 Deerfield Missions - \$3,385		

OUR HEAVENLY FATHER'S BUSINESS

TODAY

8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Service
9:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

MONDAY

6:30 PM Worship Service

TUESDAY

8:00 AM Women's Bible Study

5:30 PM Handbells

6:30 PM Praise Singers

WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM Power Hour

3:30 PM Public School Catechism Class

FRIDAY

12:00 PM School Dismissal

SATURDAY

6:30 PM Worship Service

SUNDAY

8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Service

9:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

FUN-raising Event for Hope

When: Saturday, Oct. 22 6:30 - 11 pm

Where: The Stuebs Barn at N7318 Rock Lake Rd

What: In September of 2021 worship began at Hope in Deerfield. This mission has been supported by your prayers, hands-on support, and donations. Thank you to all who have supported our efforts so far.

Hope in Deerfield looks to continue and GROW in ministry in 2023 by opening a Christian counseling center. For this to be possible, we're going to need even more help!

On Saturday, October 22 there will be an event held at the Stuebs' barn that has been advertised to a group of active mission partners. If you did not receive an invite, but are interested in attending there is still room! If you wish to receive registration information, please contact Sam or Missy McKenna at themckenna5@yahoo.com or Pastor Hundley at Hundley.kev@gmail.com. We hope to showcase what the future mission plan at Deerfield will look like as well as enjoy Christian fellowship with others from our area who have a heart for sharing the good news to those who may not know Jesus.





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