

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

August 16, 2020

Service Notes:

Hymns: 692, 644, 730, 632, 617, 867, 548
 Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 7:1-11
 Epistle: Romans 9:30-10:4
 Holy Gospel: Luke 19:41-48
 Sermon: "If You Had Known" Luke 19:41-48

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Day		Date	Time	Attendance
Tuesday	Matins	08/04	8:00 a.m.	<i>livestreamed</i>
Wednesday	Matins	08/05	8:00 a.m.	<i>livestreamed</i>
Thursday	Matins	08/06	8:00 a.m.	<i>livestreamed</i>
	Divine Service		7:00 p.m.	46
Friday	Matins	08/07	8:00 a.m.	<i>livestreamed</i>
Sunday	Divine Service	08/09	8:00 a.m.	61
	Divine Service		10:00 a.m.	56

BULLETINS are given in celebration of Mark and Connie Gerloff's 32nd wedding anniversary and are given by James Paull in loving memory of Karen Paull.

FLOWERS are given in celebration of Mary Schwabe's 16th birthday and are given in celebration of Russ and Vicki Lemberger's 47th wedding anniversary.

DIVINE SERVICE AND COMMUNION For the next few weeks, we ask that you call the church office at (414) 282-8220 to sign up to attend Divine Service with communion on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday at 8:00 a.m. or 10:00 a.m. We will also continue to take appointments for communion during non-service times. Please call the church office or email Pastor to establish a non-service appointment for communion at prfabrizius@ourfatherslutheran.org. You can always leave a message on Pastor's phone, and he will return your call as soon as he is free.

OFFICE HOURS for the church and school have changed back. They are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

SCHOOL is set to begin with in-person instruction on **August 19**. Our Back-to-School plan is available on our school website. We have openings in each classroom for the upcoming school year and would love the opportunity to serve more students and families. Please help us spread the word that our school is open! School information for any families who may be interested can be found on the school website, including our state report card where we have a rating of "Exceeds Expectations."

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	08/16	DIVINE SERVICES	8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
		Teacher Installation at the 8:00 a.m. service	
Tuesday	08/18	Matins	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday	08/19	Matins	8:00 a.m.
		First Day of School	
Thursday	08/20	Matins	8:00 a.m.
		DIVINE SERVICE	7:00 p.m.
Friday	08/21	Matins	8:00 a.m.
Sunday	08/23	DIVINE SERVICES	8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

WE PRAY for Mary Ankerberg, Karen Awe, Mike Bice (brother-in-law of Todd Pfander), Kathleen Brook, Arlene Brown, Janet Brown, Jennifer Chapel (niece of Linda Christian), Karen Christiansen, Sandy Damms, Keith Domagalski, LaVerne Edenfield, Ricky Feller, Cheryl Fisher (sister of Lynn Hester), Daut Gaba, Carol Georgson, Glenn Georgson, Maynard Georgson, Mark Gerloff, Richard Hanson, Jessica Hetts (niece of Virginia Scholz), Michelle Johnson, Sally Kais, Clarence Laube, Rhonda Lesniewski, Shirley Nelson, Konnie Otto, Ruth Pelican (sister of Virginia Scholz), Angeline Pence, Robert Schneider, Virginia Scholz, and Dave Sievert.

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING has been scheduled for Sunday, August 30, at 11:30 a.m. in the church.

SCRIP profit for August is \$122.24, and YTD profit is \$883.38. The next order due date is **September 13**. Order forms are available in the church narthex or in the church/school office. You may drop them off in the box at the church OR in the church/school office.

WOODMAN'S GIFT CARDS are available to purchase in the church/school office. All profits go to the Our Father's Scholarship Fund. Call Linda Hojnacki with any questions at (414) 427-5949.

ADOPT-A-BILL PROGRAM list includes: Gas Bill, Electric Bill, Front of Church Landscape, Health Insurance, High School Arrearage, Mortgage, Office Supplies, School Air Conditioner, School Boilers, School Storage Building, and Water Bill. Consider supporting this worthy cause. Envelopes are on the narthex bulletin board.

FINANCIAL REVIEW – YTD TOTAL OFFERINGS

YTD Offerings for Last Year (7/1/19-8/12/19)	\$55,500.18
YTD Offerings for Current Year (7/1/20-8/10/20)	\$62,908.96
YTD Offerings needed to meet Budget	\$68,526.91
YTD Offerings Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$5,617.95)

THE READINGS AND PSALMODY FOR THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

August 16, 2020

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 7:1-11 (ESV)

¹ The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ² "Stand in the gate of the Lord's house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the Lord, all you men of Judah who enter these gates to worship the Lord.

³ Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place. ⁴ Do not trust in these deceptive words: 'This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord.' ⁵ "For if you truly amend your ways and your deeds, if you truly execute justice one with another, ⁶ if you do not oppress the sojourner, the fatherless, or the widow, or shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not go after other gods to your own harm, ⁷ then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave of old to your fathers forever. ⁸ "Behold, you trust in deceptive words to no avail. ⁹ Will you steal, murder, commit adultery, swear falsely, make offerings to Baal, and go after other gods that you have not known, ¹⁰ and then come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, 'We are delivered!'—only to go on doing all these abominations? ¹¹ Has this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, I myself have seen it, declares the Lord.

A: This is the Word of the

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans 9:30-10:4 (ESV)

³⁰ What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹ but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. ³² Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, ³³ as it is written, "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

¹ Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. ² I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. ³ For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴ For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 19:41-48 (ESV)

⁴¹ And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴² saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³ For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴ and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation." ⁴⁵ And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶ saying to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers." ⁴⁷ And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸ but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

THE PSALMODY

Psalm 92:1-15 (ESV)

- ¹ It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
- ² to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
- ³ to the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.
- ⁴ For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.
- ⁵ How great are your works, O Lord!
Your thoughts are very deep!
- ⁶ The stupid man cannot know;
the fool cannot understand this:
- ⁷ that though the wicked sprout like grass
and all evildoers flourish,
they are doomed to destruction forever;
- ⁸ but you, O Lord, are on high forever.
- ⁹ For behold, your enemies, O Lord,
for behold, your enemies shall perish;
all evildoers shall be scattered.
- ¹⁰ But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox;
you have poured over me fresh oil.
- ¹¹ My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies;
my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.
- ¹² The righteous flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
- ¹³ They are planted in the house of the Lord;
they flourish in the courts of our God.
- ¹⁴ They still bear fruit in old age;
they are ever full of sap and green,
- ¹⁵ to declare that the Lord is upright;
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

INTROIT

I call to God, and he | hears my voice;*
he redeems my soul in | safety.
Cast your burden | on the Lord,*
and he will sus- | tain you.
Give ear to my prayer, | O God,*
and hide not yourself from my plea for | mercy!
My heart is in anguish with- | in me;*
the terrors of death have fallen up- | on me.
Fear and trembling come up- | on me,*
and horror over- | whelms me.
But I | call to God,*
and the Lord will | save me.
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.
I call to God, and he | hears my voice;*
he redeems my soul in | safety.
Cast your burden | on the Lord,*
and he will sus- | tain you.

**THE CONGREGATION AT PRAYER
FOR THE WEEK OF
THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

“If You Had Known”

August 16 through August 22, 2020

What is the connection between teaching the hearts of the faithful and light? Darkness makes it difficult to see and can be dangerous. The hearts and minds of unbelievers are shrouded in darkness. They do not see that they are perishing. You, too, were once in darkness, but you have been enlightened by the Holy Spirit. He brings the Light of Christ to reveal to you that your inheritance is death, and then He gives you the new inheritance of life through the Light of the World. He enlightens the eyes of your heart to see with the eyes of faith. Your once blind eyes now gaze upon the holy consolation of the Savior's body and blood given and shed for you. The Spirit brings understanding so that you know baptism is not just simple water, but the water which rescues you from death and the devil and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this. The life-giving water of the Spirit is sprinkled upon you in the words which pour forth from the mouth of your pastors that you may be strengthened in the true faith.

INVOCATION: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

THE CREED

VERSE: ⁴For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. **Romans 10:4 (ESV)**

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK: O God, You declare Your almighty power above all in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant us such a measure of Your grace that we may obtain Your gracious promises and be made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

PSALM OF THE WEEK:

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PSALMODY PRAYER: O Lord, You have planted me in Your house, calling me into faith; grant that I may praise Your abundant mercy morning and evening and find my triumph in the works of Your hands. **AMEN.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday	Hebrews 9:23-10:10
Tuesday	Hebrews 10:11-39
Wednesday	Hebrews 11:1-22
Thursday	Hebrews 11:23-40
Friday	Hebrews 12:1-29
Saturday	Luke 18:9-14

CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK: The Lord's Prayer:

The Introduction

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that in all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

Luther, Lectures on Genesis 17:3-6: The banner which Christ has raised when He said (Mark 16:15): “Go into all the world” is not in one specific nook or in one particular family. For this reason, it is called the catholic church. Yet this church consists only of those who are baptized. For apart from Baptism, there is no salvation, just as at that time salvation resulted from circumcision and, as it were, embodied it. From the beginning of the world, divine wisdom has so ordained and arranged things that there was always some public sign toward which all peoples might look, in order that the Gentiles, too, might find, worship, and pray to the true God, although not all who had that sign believed and had use of it for righteousness. ... For because through the divine blessing, Abraham was to be multiplied into peoples and kingdoms, the church is embodied, so to speak, in his flesh for a time, and a universal sign is given - a sign which pertained to the church in such a way that even if those who believed did not have it, they were not excluded from the church. ... God establishes a sign of grace, in order that it may be recognized by sinners and sinners may be saved; but it commonly happens that those for whom the sign is set up despise it. Thus, Baptism has been established as a sign of righteousness for all who believe in Christ. ... We say the same thing about circumcision, with which the Gentiles are not burdened but are nevertheless invited to the same faith, in order that Abraham may be the father of the circumcised as well as of the uncircumcised. Therefore, many of the Gentiles believed, but the Jews kept their hearts uncircumcised. Thus, circumcision was an opportunity for salvation even for the Gentiles and was profitable for them. For we have need of marks and signs of this kind, in order that they may lead us to the knowledge of God, since human reason is unable to find God unless such signs instituted by God lead us by the hand, so to speak. And nothing is more dangerous than if one devises his own way to God and relies on his own speculation. ... Why do we not follow the signs which the Lord himself has established for the purpose of gathering us into the unity of faith, that is, the Word of God, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper? Thus, when the Jews had the temple, circumcision, and a definite form of worship, for which they, as people who acknowledged one God as their Leader, were to assemble as under a military standard, they disregarded all this and turned to their own endeavors. Everyone devised his own way of worshiping God and followed it

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

August 23, 2020

“Justification for Sinners”

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY: 566, 559, 730, 794, 621, 580, 623, 565

READINGS

Genesis 4:1-15
Ephesians 2:1-10
Luke 18:9-14

to his own certain destruction. When God reveals Himself in some sign, no matter what its nature, one must take hold of Him in it. ... Christ must be sought where He has manifested Himself and wants to be known, as in the Word, in Baptism, and in the Supper: there He is certainly found, for the Word cannot deceive us. But it generally happens that reason disregards those signs and turns aside to the harlot sitting by the gate (Prov. 7:10 ff.). Therefore, let everyone remember to walk on the way God Himself has prescribed, not on the one we ourselves have chosen; for our own choice is sinful and delusive. ... We shall be safe from these dangers if we follow that visible form or those signs which God himself has set before us. In the New Testament, we have as a visible form the Son of God on the lap of His mother Mary. He suffered and died for us, as the Creed teaches. Besides, we have other visible forms: Baptism, The Eucharist, and the spoken Word itself. Therefore, we cannot complain of having been forsaken.

(*LW* 2:337-338, St. Louis: Concordia, 1960)

PRAYER: Each day a different aspect of Christian life is covered.

Monday	Our Baptism, calling, and daily work
Tuesday	Deliverance from sin and temptation
Wednesday	Marriage, family, and schools
Thursday	The Lord's Supper, the Church, and Her Pastors
Friday	The Preaching of the Cross, the persecuted, and missions
Saturday	True repentance and restoration of the withering
Sunday	The Hope of the resurrection and faithfulness to the Word

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

OR

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

HYMN OF THE WEEK: LSB 644 “*The Church's One Foundation*”
(stanza 1)

Here Jesus warns us against trusting in our own righteousness. The way of faith confesses that we are the poor sinners who are exactly like the other sinners. We are never to plead our case in comparison to others, but to plead for the gracious forgiveness that has been won for us through the bitter sufferings and death of the Son of God. Repentance makes no excuses for sin. Repentance simply speaks the truth about our condition—we are sinners. In the confession of the sinner, there is always to be the appeal to the mercy of God. Only faith can confess such mercy which is never earned or deserved, but is constantly poured out in abundance. It is God who lifts up the faithful through the forgiveness of sins, that is, His mercy. The parable recalls the story of Cain and Abel. Abel comes as a sinner and offers the bloody sacrifice to seek God's mercy. Cain wants to defend himself and does not live in faith. The story is not about the purity of one heart over another or their actions, but about the trust in the Messiah, the Seed, whose blood would be poured out for man's salvation. Paul's words from Ephesians remind us of the grace and mercy of God that saves us without any merit or worthiness in us.

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