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St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Wilton, WI
16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 29, 2019
**Inviting People to
Journey with Christ's Family
in Spreading God's Love and Mercy**

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those “at our gate,” visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

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Gathering
*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God** Prel-

ude.....A time for silent reflection
Welcome and Announcements

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☐ one God,
the strength of our ancestors,
the host of this meal,
the builder of the city that is to come.
Amen.

If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ.
Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our helper,
**we confess the many ways
we have failed to live as your disciples.
We have not finished what we began.
We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers.
We have been captivated by our possessions.**

**Lift our burdens, gracious God.
Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin.
Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent.
Put your trust in these promises:
God will never leave you or forsake you.
You who were lost have been found.
For the sake of ☐ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice with the angels at this good news.
Amen.

*Gathering Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

***KYRIE**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

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

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

raffle off as well.

Would you be interested in becoming a Hospice Touch Volunteer?
Training sessions will be held from 5:00 PM—8:00 PM on Wednesdays
beginning with October 9 and continue on October 16, 23, and 30. You
must attend all sessions. To register, contact Kris Nichols at 608-374-
0250 by October 8.

The Lutheran World Relief boxcar will be in La Crosse on Saturday,
October 12, from 7:00—11:00 AM. We are looking for a volunteer to
take the school kits and quilts for shipment. Please let Nalani or Greg
know if you would be able to transport the boxes on that day. Thanks.

Pastor Cathy will be travelling in Germany and Czechoslovakia, leaving
on October 1 and returning on October 13. Pastor Brad Lindberg lead
us in worship during her absence.

You may now contact Pastor Cathleen on a landline, #608-435-0097.
This telephone itself is a "Caption Call". This means a written display
of what you are saying is displayed for Pastor to read, and continue the
conversation. Be patient, it takes a few seconds for your side of the
conversation to be displayed. You may also leave a voice mail
message.

In case of emergency, contact Pastor Cathleen, via text, 608-865-
1074, or Dan Buchholz 608-435-6126 or 608-487-6525 (cell).

To activate the prayer chain, please contact Nalani (608-387-2311)

Office Hours: Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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IN THE MILITARY

Jacob Picha, Todd Nofsinger, Dylan Dougherty, Robert Cale

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 6

Wed., October 2	Confirmation	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Thurs., October 3	W-ELCA	10:00 AM
Sun., October 6	Church Council	8:30 AM
	Sunday School	9:00 AM
	Worship	10:15 AM
	Pot-Luck Dinner	11:30 AM
	Raffle Drawing	12:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The W-ELCA ladies are getting together this Thursday to clean and organize the kitchen prior to the pot-luck being held next Sunday.

The project for God's Work, Our Hands will be painting the Wilton Pool Building. We originally planned to tackle this project on October 5, however, we did not realize the Community Center was being used that day for a wedding reception, with a good number of our members having been invited and, therefore, unavailable to paint. We should have a new date for publication in the October 6 bulletin.

The Mission emphasize on October 6 will be World Hunger. There will be a short Temple Talk on the subject. Loose offerings and any envelope designations will go toward the World Hunger Campaign.
Live Generously. Give Generously.

Please plan to attend the pot-luck dinner after worship next Sunday. We will need extra help after the dinner doing dishes, sweeping the floor, and all the tasks associated with clean-up. Bud Osteboe will be in the narthex after service with a sign-up sheet for those willing to help.

The raffle will be held on October 6, with the first prize being the quilt, however, we would appreciate any new items you might donate to

C: Amen.

*Canticle of Praise

"This is the Feast"

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*Prayer of the Day

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.**

FIRST READING

The prophet Amos announces that Israel's great wealth is a cause not for rejoicing but rather sorrow, because God's people have forgotten how to share their wealth with the poor. The wealthy will be the first to go into exile when judgment comes

A reading from Amos 6:1a, 4-7

- ^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³Put not your trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,**

and in that day their thoughts perish.

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is**

in them; who keeps promises forever;

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to

those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts**

up those who are bowed down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates

the way of the wicked.

¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever,**

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.

Hallelujah

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of blessing,

at this table we have seen you face to face,

and in the gift of Christ's body and blood,

our hearts have been refreshed.

Send us now to shine with your goodness

and bear witness to the one we have received:

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

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Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Ministers: All God's People, Pastor: Cathleen Morris, Organist: Nalani

Bever,

Greet-

ers: **SENDING** God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Judy

Arndt

and Anita Steinke, Reader: Barb Bever,

Altar: Arlis and Larry Ballwahn, Acolyte: Brooklyn Gruen, Communion

Server: Kirstin Arndt, Ushers: Tim Deichler, George Dougherty, Justin

Arndt, Bart Arndt

IN OUR PRAYERS

Katie Wallace, Shirley Meranti, Linda Bauer, Helen Summerfield, Lois

Schultz, Linda Finnigan, Stuart Thayer, Becky Smith, Ian Hefner, Flor-

ence Krause, Judy Bever, Tammy Roscovious, Darlene and Paul Bab-

bitt, Pam Eaton, Kari Lydon, Cliff Herman, Alan Vlasak

SECOND READING

Timothy is reminded of the confession he made at his baptism and of its implications for daily life. His priorities will be different from those of people who merely want to be rich.

revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to our Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Words of Institution

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

P: God invites you to this table of bounty.
Come, the banquet is ready.

Distribution

Everyone who believes in Jesus is welcome at Christ's table.

“Lamb of God”

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A reading from 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these.

⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation

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GOSPEL READING

Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is “lifted up” and the rich one is “sent away empty.” Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

*Hymn “Change My Heart, O God” (3X) **ELW #801**

***Apostles’ Creed**

**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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**)

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us show signs of Christ’s peace.

OF- MEAL FERING
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

*Offertory Hymn “Create in Me” **ELW #186**

*Offertory Prayer
**God our provider,
we bring nothing into this world
and we can take nothing out of it.
Accept the gifts you have first given us,
which we bring to your table,
and with them the offering of our lives
Nourish us now with the life that really is life,**