

**Trinity Evangelical
Lutheran Church**



**September 20, 2026
17th Sunday after Pentecost
Harvest Home**

Good Morning and welcome! We invite you to worship with us often, and ask if you need any assistance! If you are visiting us today, please sign the Guest Register in the Narthex, please include your address and phone number. Please place your offering envelope in the plate in the Narthex. Thank You.

Remember in your prayers:

Lynn Wolfgang, Oscar & Angie Smith, Erika Zaiser, Betty Moore, Kathy Gamler, Bill Brensinger, Becky Yescavage, Kathy Sell, Donna Day, Elaine Dotterer, Anna Spencer, RuthAnn Goode, Pete Schmoyer, Linda Bewley, Marcia Auge, Vicki Mest, Nadine Lydic, Clair Burkhart, Carole Mest, Bob McElwee, Chester Heydt and Lisa Fox.

Friends & Family:

Michelle Hiriak, Linda Stark, Steve Smith, Judy Moser, Becky Rothenberger, Doris Glass, Jenn Riegner, Sue Miller, Keith Weller, Janet Conrad and Gordon Moser.

Families Of:

Franklin Adam, Rev. Dr. Richard O'Hara, Gail Marasco, William Rohrbach, Charles Hoffman, Anna Bechtel, Joyce Kemp and David Thomas Hawthorne.

Also members, relatives and friends in the community who are serving in the military including:

Christopher Heffner, Noah Heydt, Ben Rhode, Steven Herbst, David Crews, Jeff Lydic and Seth Kurtz.

**Our sister congregation, Marienkirche in Borna, Germany.
(Website: Kirche-bornae-land.de)**

Please note: Names of friends and family will be kept on the bulletin prayer list for one month. If still in need of prayers, these names will then appear in the newsletter prayer list. Names on the friends and family list will normally be kept on the newsletter prayer list for one year. If you wish for names to remain longer, please speak to Pastor Gene, Linda Ritter, or contact the Church Office. Thank you for helping us keep the prayer list current!

Today we share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We invite everyone to the Lord's table who recognizes Christ's presence in His holy sacrament. We will be communing using the continuous method this morning. When the time comes, the usher will direct you forward-simply receive the bread from the Pastor and move to the side to the communion server to receive the wine (or grape juice). When you have received both elements, please return to your seat by the side aisle.

This morning we welcome LaRue Sheetz, as our Organist, while Jenn McCarron is on vacation.

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**Today we will be receiving a Free Will Offering
for the Boyertown Area Multi-Service.**

The Altar Flowers are presented to the glory of God, by Mr. Dennis Brooke, in Loving Memory of his Wife Ruth and also by Ms. Kim Shaner, in Honor of all of her Nieces & Nephews.

The Bulletins are presented to the Glory & Honor of God, by Mark & Sandy Yarnall.

The Eternal Flame Candle is presented to the glory of God by Janice Sheetz, in Memory of Robert & Cynthia Eshbach and James Eshbach.

Today's Worship Assistants:

Assisting Minister: Erika Zaiser

Server: Linda Ritter

Ushers: Kay McGowan* & Linda Brunner

Lector: Sheila Eddinger

Acolyte: Diane McElwee

- (those who are able may stand)

Prelude "I Love to Tell the Story"
W. Fischer

Announcements and Concerns

• Confession and Forgiveness

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

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are
hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy
name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage 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

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

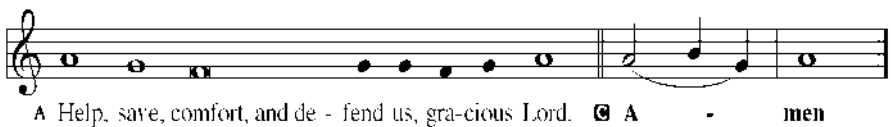
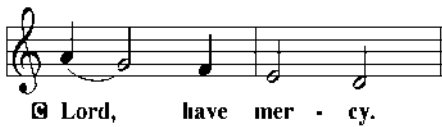
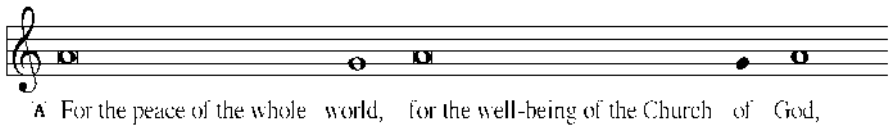
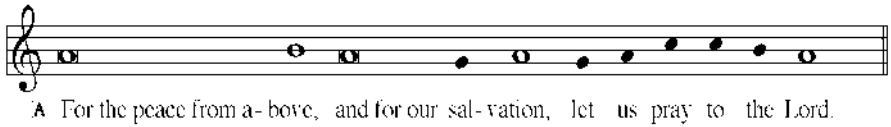
C Amen

- **Processional Hymn** LBW# 406
"Take My Life, that I May Be"
- **Greeting**

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**



• Hymn of Praise



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

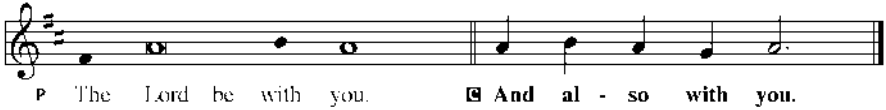


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

• **Prayer of the Day**



P Let us Pray ...

C Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Jonah 3:10—4:11

After Jonah's short sermon in 3:4, the Ninevites all repented and God decided to spare the city. Jonah objected to this and became even more angry when God ordered a worm to destroy a plant that was providing shade. The book ends with a question that challenges any who are not ready to forgive: You, Jonah, are all worked up about a bush, but shouldn't I be concerned about a hundred and twenty thousand Ninevites?

¹⁰ When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

^{4:1} But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. ³ And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴ And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" ⁵ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶ The Lord God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

⁹ But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰ Then the Lord said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?”

PSALM: Psalm 145:1-8

¹ I will exalt you, my | God and king,
and bless your name forev- | er and ever.

² **Every day | will I bless you
and praise your name forev- | er and ever.**

³ Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised!
There is no end | to your greatness.

⁴ **One generation shall praise your works | to another
and shall de- | clare your power.**

⁵ I will speak of the glorious splendor | of your majesty
and all your | marvelous works.

⁶ **They shall tell of the might of your | wondrous acts,
and I will re- | count your greatness.**

⁷ They shall publish the remembrance of | your great goodness;
they shall sing joyfully | of your righteousness.

⁸ **The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me, yet I cannot say which I will choose. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that, by my presence again with you, your boast might abound in Christ Jesus because of me.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ and in no way frightened by those opposing you. For them, this is evidence of their destruction but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ but of suffering for him as well, ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter



Presentation of the Gospel by Heart

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹ “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last

and then going to the first.’⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius.¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius.¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner,¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius?’¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you.¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Senior Choir Anthem

"With These Gifts"
R. Schram

Sermon

- **Hymn of the Day** LBW# 469
"Lord of All Hopefulness"

• **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at
the right hand of the Father. He will come
again 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**

• **The Prayer of the Church**

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence.

After each portion of prayers:

P Lord, in your mercy.

C hear our prayer

The prayers conclude:

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

• **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

• The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you. G And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

G It is right to give him thanks and praise.

• The Proper Preface

P It is indeed right and salutary...

(Here the minister continues with the preface appropriate to the day or season, concluding ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

• **Eucharistic Prayer**

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world you gave your
only Son, that all those who believe in him
should not perish, but have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation you
have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord with a living
faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

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 for the 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 for the remembrance of me.

• **The Lord's Prayer**

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.



☩ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion

Communion Hymn

LBW# 197

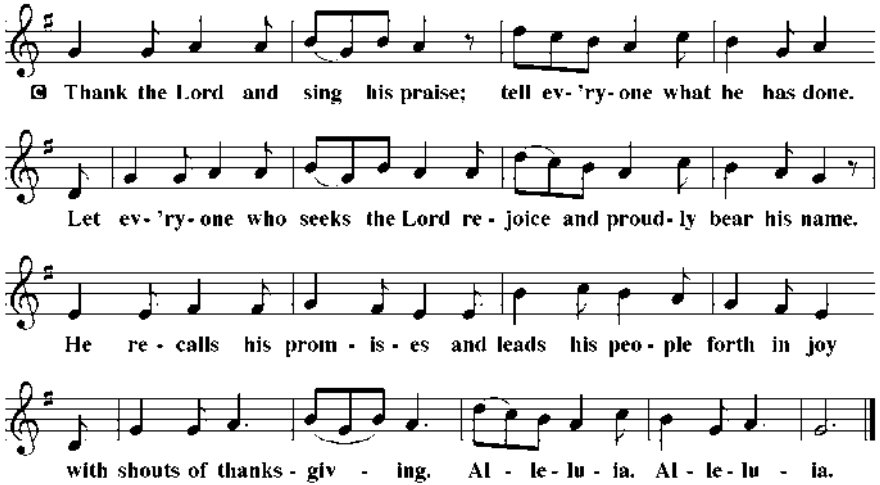
"O Living Bread from Heaven"

• Post-communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

• **Post-communion Canticle**



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.

He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

• **Post-communion Prayer**

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

- **Our Mission Statement**

P People of Trinity, what is our mission?

C We shall, as individuals and as a congregation, strive through word, worship, and witness to further the kingdom of God by knowing and sharing Christ's Love in our hearts, in our homes, in His church, in the community, and in the world.

- **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C Amen, Amen, Amen.

- **Recessional Hymn** LBW# 383
"Rise Up, O Saints of God!"

- **Dismissal**

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Toccata in C"
J. S. Bach

A Special Thank You to LaRue Sheetz, as our organist and to the Senior Choir for sharing their talents with us this morning.

Harvest Home: Today is the celebration of Harvest Home. It is the time we celebrate God's Harvest. We are collecting donations for Boyertown Area Multi-Service throughout September. **Nonperishable items** can be placed in the box in the Narthex. Please see the list of top pantry needs in this bulletin.

Today is the deadline for the October Newsletter, please submit your information to Karen in the Church Office.

Prayer Listing: If you would like to make any changes to the prayer list, please see Linda Ritter, Pastor Gene or contact the church office, in order for the change to be made in the October Newsletter.

Bible Study has resumed on Wednesdays at 7 PM, we are studying the Gospel of John.

Trinity Hoagies: "Hoagie Fundraiser" for the General Fund. 8" hoagies from Maurizio's Pizza (formerly Pappa Bernards) cost \$8.00. The hoagies will be ham, Italian and turkey (onion, no onion). There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. **Pick up will be Friday, September 18th—11:00AM-11:30AM. Please make checks payable to Dennis Schaeffer.** Any questions, please see Dennis Schaeffer. Thank You for your support. Thank you also to Dennis Schaeffer for organizing this fundraiser.

Mark your calendars:

Basket Party, Saturday, September 26th. Doors Open at 9:00AM, Drawing Begins at 10:30AM, tickets \$20.00, to purchase tickets, please see Mardell Blanford or stop in at the Church Office. Also....The Finance Committee proposed, and Church Council approved, a 50/50 ticket raffle at the upcoming Basket Party, with the proceeds going to offset the current deficit in the General Fund. To support the cause, Tickets can be purchased for \$1 per ticket, or \$5 for 6 tickets by seeing 50/50 Ticket Chair Rich Deskie prior to, or at, the Basket Party. Rich will be set up in the Parish Hall following Sunday services today. One winning ticket will be drawn at the Basket Party for the prize of 50% of tickets sales. Winner need not be present at the Basket Party.

Help Wanted: The Bechtelsville Community Fall Fest will be held October 3, 11:00-3:00. Volunteers are needed to help with carnival games: soda ring toss and candy roulette wheel, and at the children's craft station. Please consider sharing Christ's love in the community by volunteering for an hour, two, or more and support their efforts to raise funds for additional playground equipment. A sign-up sheet is posted in the narthex. For questions or more information contact Sharon Renninger.

Bechtelsville Community Park Fall Fest – Saturday, October 3, 11:00-3:00. Fun for all ages: Touch-a-truck event, petting zoo, basket raffle, bike rodeo, car seat safety check, hayrides, games, food, and vendors. Come out and support our community at its biggest fundraising event of the year!

Annual Fall Craft Show/Book Fair & Bake Sale, Saturday, October 17th. Looking for Crafters and now will be accepting donations of used books, please leave your books in the nursery. If you would like to participate, please see Cathy Yoder or contact the church office. Registration forms are on the table in the Narthex. The Yard Signs are now available for you to display on your front lawn or place of business. Please see Cathy Yoder to take one.

Christmas Cantata is Sunday, December 13th and the Snow Date and Encore Presentation will be Sunday, January 3rd at 3PM. If you would like to sponsor the cantata, please see Jenn McCarron.

Coffee Hour will continue on non-communion Sundays, please volunteer to host Coffee Hour in order for this time of fellowship to continue. There is a Sign Up Sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

You may sponsor Altar Flowers, the cost of the flowers has increased for (1) vase \$34.00 and (2) vases \$68.00, please contact Mary Snyder. **If you wish to sponsor flowers and that date is not available, you can always sponsor an extra bouquet of flowers for \$40.00.** When sponsoring flowers, please use a flower envelope found in the rack in the narthex or clearly mark the envelope “Flowers”. If you sponsored flowers in the past but no longer wish to, please let Mary Snyder 610-473-8885 or the church office know. **If you wish to sponsor the bulletins, the cost is \$15.00 to offset the cost of printing.**

Trinity's Gift Card Program - Orders will be taken before and after the church service the first Sunday of the month and will be distributed at church the second Sunday of the month. Order forms for Redners, Giant, and Scrip will be available at church and the Scrip order form is also found on Trinity's website. **Please note:** Weis Markets cards (\$25, \$100) can be ordered through Scrip for those who physically shop at the store. **Weis cards cannot be used for online orders. KOHL'S GIFT CARDS CANNOT BE USED TO PAY YOUR KOHL'S CHARGE. We apologize for any inconvenience.** Payment must be submitted with your order; checks should be made out to Trinity Lutheran Church. **Be sure to include your phone number on your order form.**

HOSPITAL INPATIENT STAY: Please contact Pastor Gene if you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit, due to privacy laws, the hospital no longer contacts the church.

Need a ride? We have volunteers in the congregation who are willing to provide transportation to medical appointments, etc., for those who can't find a ride. Please contact Pastor Gene 610-322-0901 if you need a ride or would like to volunteer as a driver.

Devotionals are available in the rack in the Narthex. If you enjoy the devotionals, please make a donation to help offset the cost. Thank You.

Bibles are available in the rack in the Narthex for you to reference during worship. You may also take home to reference, please return when you are finished.

Trinity's events for the upcoming week:

Sunday, September 20th-**Harvest Home**

8:00 Cont. Worship
Service

9:15 Sunday School

10:30 Worship Service
w/Communion

Wednesday, September 23rd-6:30 TLC Stitchers

7:00 Bible Study

Thursday, September 24th- 6:30 Sr. Choir Practice

7:30 Cantata Practice

Saturday, September 26th- 9:00 Basket Party

Sunday, September 27th- 9:15 Sunday School

10:30 Worship Service

Next Week's Worship Assistants:

Sunday, September 27th:

Ushers: Sharon Renninger* & Mardell Blanford

Lector: Laura Moser

Acolyte: Kathy Farrington

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

09/13/2026

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>		
<u>Worship/S.S</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Hunger</u>	<u>Scrip</u>
56/10	\$2,825.00	\$15.00	\$200.00
	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Bldg. Maint.</u>	
	\$50.00	\$160.00	

**Boyertown Area Multi-Service:
Non-Perishable Items Needed:**

1. Paper Towels
2. Tissues
3. Laundry Detergent
4. Shampoo and Conditioner
5. Syrup
6. Pancake Mix
7. Instant Mashed Potatoes
8. Stuffing Mix
9. Hamburger Helper
10. Chef Boyardee Meals
11. Cake/Brownie Mix
12. Jelly
13. Peanut Butter
14. Canned Chicken
15. Canned Mixed Vegetables

Sodium free, sugar free, gluten free and low-fat items are also appreciated for clients with dietary restrictions.

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOSE IN
NEED.**

A free-will offering is scheduled for the third Sunday of each month. They are as follows:

October 18 – Eastern Berks Fire Dept.

November 15 – Elf Bags (Multi-Service)

December – No free-will offering. Thank you for supporting the various Christmas giving opportunities.

Thank you for your contributions to these special causes!



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dinner in!

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Walmart

CARRABBA'S
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**The Community Clothing Rack
Schedule**

1st Wednesday

Donations Accepted

2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays

Shoppers Welcome

2nd Thursday

Shoppers Welcome

6:00PM-8:00PM

5th Wednesday

CLOSED

Hours

1:00PM-4:00PM

Summer Hours Only

June-August

9:00AM-12:00PM

Closed on all major holidays.

In the case of inclement weather,

Refer to Boyertown Area School district closure.

CCR is a ministry of St. Luke Lutheran Church

Our mission is to serve Jesus Christ by providing
necessary clothing to the underserved.

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Readings for Personal Devotion



M Genesis 37:12-36
T Genesis 41:53-42:17
W Matthew 6:7-15
Th Genesis 45:1-20
F Romans 14:13-15:2
Sa Psalm 133

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The Rev. Dr. Eugene C. Zaiser, DMin.,
Pastor

Mrs. Jennifer McCarron, Director of Music

Mrs. Karen J. Smith, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Catherine M. Yoder, Sexton

The Members of this Congregation are its
Ministers

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(Or by Appointment)

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Refrain

Fa - ther, as in high - est heav-en, So on earth your will be done.

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Take My Life, that I May Be

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1 Take my life, that I may be Con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;

Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 It shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 It shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At thy feet its treasure store;
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.
 Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

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5 Yet even though I suffer
The world's unpleasantness,
And though the days grow rougher
And bring me great distress,
That day of bliss divine,
Which knows no end or measure,
And Christ, who is my pleasure,
Forever shall be mine.

6 We were by God created
In his own time and place,
And by his Son persuaded
To follow truth and grace.
The Spirit guides our ways
And faithfully will lead us
That nothing can impede us.
To God be all our praise!

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Tune: Christliche und Tröstliche Tischgesenge, Erfurt, 1572

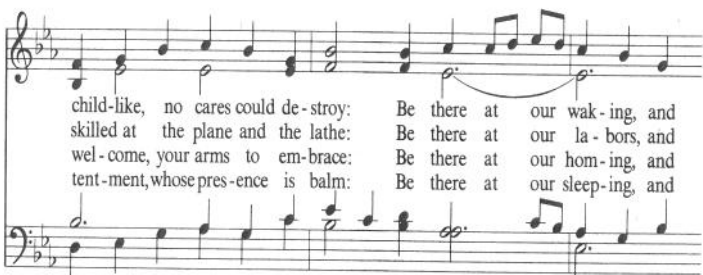
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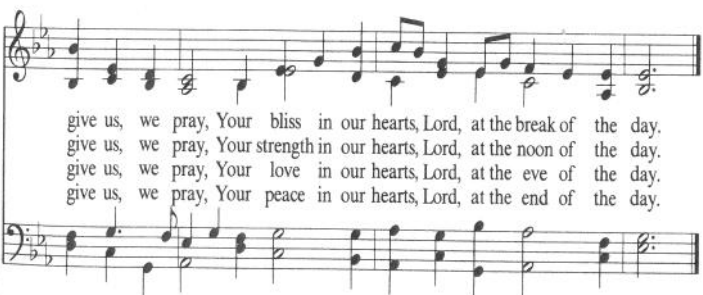
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1 Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust, ev-er
2 Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were
3 Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to
4 Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose voice is con-



child-like, no cares could de-roy: Be there at our wak-ing, and
skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our la-bors, and
wel-come, your arms to em-brace: Be there at our hom-ing, and
tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm: Be there at our sleep-ing, and



give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
give us, we pray, Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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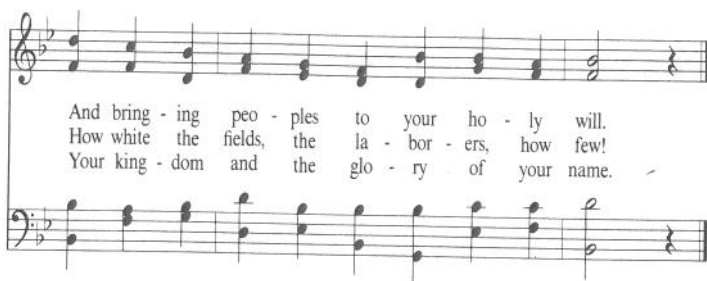
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1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well you feed your guest!
 2 My Lord, you here have led me With - in your ho - liest place,
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can death de - stroy,
 4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly food, while here

The gifts that you have giv - en Have filled my heart with rest.
 And here your - self have fed me With trea - sures of your grace;
 And you have free - ly grant - ed The cup of end - less joy.
 My course on earth is length - ened, To serve with ho - ly fear.

Oh, won - drous food of bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes!
 For you have free - ly giv - en What earth could nev - er buy,
 My Lord, I do not mer - it The fa - vor you have shown,
 And when you call my spir - it To leave this world be - low,

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows!
 The bread of life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
 And all my soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore your throne.
 I en - ter, through your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.



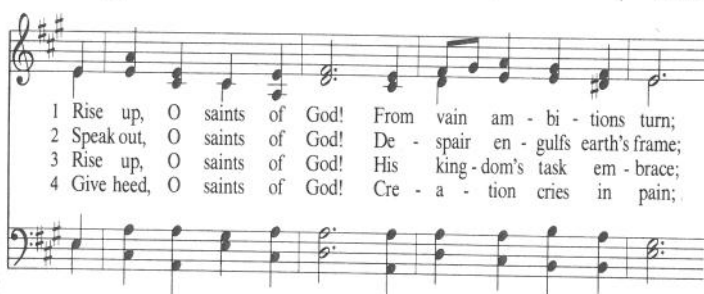
And bring - ing peo - ples to your ho - ly will.
How white the fields, the la - bor - ers, how few!
Your king - dom and the glo - ry of your name.

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Tune: J. A. Freylinghausen, *Gestreiches Gesang-Buch*, 1704

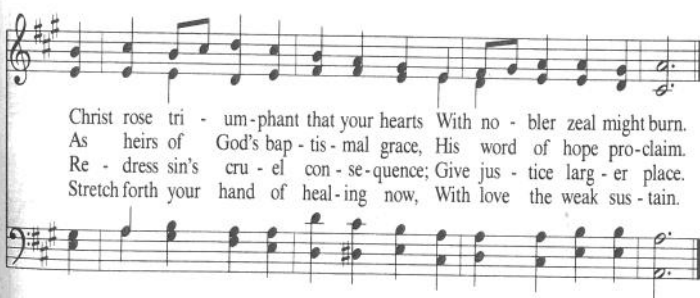
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Rise Up, O Saints of God!

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1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! His king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts With no - bler zeal might burn.
As heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, His word of hope pro-claim.
Re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; Give jus - tice larg - er place.
Stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, With love the weak sus - tain.

- 5 Commit your hearts to seek
The paths which Christ has trod
And quickened by the Spirit's power,
Rise up, O saints of God!

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Tune: William H. Walter, 1825-1893

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