St. John Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill October 10, 2021 20th Sunday after Pentecost Please tune to 87.9 FM



*GREETING

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.**

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray. We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity. We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression. We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed. Free us from our sin, gracious God. Listen when we call out to you for help. Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. By the gift of grace in + Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous. Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. **Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN

O Savior, Precious Savior

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Kyrie ELW p147-148

FIRST READING Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! ¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. ¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 90:12-17

¹²So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

- ¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.
- ¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.
- ¹⁶Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.
- ¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING Hebrews 3:12-19

²Take care, brothers and sisters, that none of you may have an evil, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," so that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we have become partners of Christ, if only we hold our first confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." ¹⁶Now who were they who heard and yet were rebellious? Was it not all those who left Egypt under the leadership of Moses? ¹⁷But with whom was he angry forty years? Was it not those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, if not to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

¹³Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

*GOSPEL Mark 10:17-22

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. The Word of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Pastor Kris Brower

HYMN OF THE DAY

Be Thou My Vision

(screen)

*THE 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

Each petition of the prayers ends with the following response:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*PEACE

*OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 overcame 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:

*SANCTUS p 153

Holy, holy, holy 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.

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.
Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may these precious gifts of Christ's body and blood strengthen you and keep you in God's grace this day. **Amen**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN

Send Us Out (2x)

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*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. Thanks be to God.

Monday, October 11th 6:00PM Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 12th 6:30AM-8:00AM Food Pantry

Thursday, October 14th
2:00PM Ladies Aid

Next Sunday, October 17th

7:30AM-Noon BLOOD DRIVE

7:45AM Worship Service

9:00AM Sunday School & Semi-Annual Meeting





Our Church Family:

Mavis Smith Janice Cordova Sydney Wagner Florence Bentke
Ella Ruemke Clarence Witt Gilbert Spinn Helen Gaskamp

Fmore Schulze Verna Mac Sofeik Linda King

Emery Schulze Cynthia Wilson Verna Mae Sefcik Linda King
Tom Bentke Jerry Randermann Mary Ann Luce Connie Seward

Justin Reuter Dorothy Wiesepape Charles "Dutch" Schulze Marjorie Hohlt Mary Longhofer Clarence Moehlmann

A.G. "Doc" & Allene Holtkamp Peggy & Milton Bosse John & Carol Haarmeyer

Those celebrating baptismal anniversaries: Mary Roese, Sara Richter, Ryan Horton, Rilynn Schroeder, Janet Wehring, Martin Reisner, William Schramme, Florence Wolff, Jake Hatfield

Those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Patti & Roy Horton, Johanna & Chance Wilkerson

Friends & Family:

Alyssa & Ezlyn Jones

Blake Bates Carol Lieber

Christy Dallmeyer
Corrie Newland

Dottie Ringwald

Holly Haarmeyer Rodriquez

Jayme Remmelts

John Tuefel

Kathy Schrader

Missy Goldmith

Shannon Wellmann

Please notify the church office of any prayer request by simply writing a note on the back of your attendance card. Thank you!

REACHING YOUR CHURCH OFFICE

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Church Council President Jon Westerfeld (979) 277-2471



BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, October 17th 7:30AM-Noon

Contact Debra Westerfeld (979)277-5857 or sign-up online: committorlife.org

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, October 17th at 9:00AM





Fishing Tournament Saturday, October 23rd

7AM Registration, Noon Weigh-in, 6PM Meal Ages 0-99 Hosted by St. John Lutheran Church Call Kenneth for more information (979) 203-1237

"Spook-tacular" Sunday School

Mark your calendar for October 31st; your child may wear their Halloween Costume to church and participate in a "Spook-tacular" Sunday School. If you would like to join in on our fun-filled Sunday School Activities, please bring a Small Pumpkin to decorate.



Grammy's Cookie Convoy cards for all the military men and women are due November 1st. Please take a moment and fill one out if you haven't done so already.