St. John Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill October 24, 2021 22nd 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

You Servants of God (v1, 3. 4)

ELW #825

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:7-9

⁷Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations:

proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 126

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

³The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.

⁵Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND READING Hebrews 7:23-28

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go

*GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Word of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON Pastor Kris Brower

HYMN OF THE DAY

Baptized in Water

ELW #456

BAPTISM Chance Timothy Maass

*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:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

*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.**

*DISMISSAL

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



Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Colton & Lauren Maass in honor of Chance's baptism.



Our Church Family:

Mavis Smith Janice Cordova Sydney Wagner Florence Bentke Ella Ruemke Clarence Witt Gilbert Spinn Helen Gaskamp **Emery Schulze** Verna Mae Sefcik Cynthia Wilson Linda King

Tom Bentke Jerry Randermann Mary Ann Luce Connie Seward

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

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

Those celebrating baptismal anniversaries: Helen Schulze, Camryn Thumann, Allene Holtkamp, Debra Hanath, Logun Tosta, Chris Schramme, Jimmie, Dreyer, Connie Rohde, Reegan Huckert, Corbin Janner, Brayden Rosenbaum, Jax Antkowiak

Those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Gilbert & Michelle Janner, Sondra & Gerardo Hernandez, Tim & Tammy Hatfield

Friends & Family:

Alyssa & Ezlyn Jones Kathy Schrader Missy Goldmith Blake Bates Shannon Wellmann Carol Lieber

Christy Dallmeyer Corrie Newland **Dottie Ringwald**

Holly Haarmeyer Rodriguez

John Tuefel

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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Tuesday, October 26th

6:30AM Food Pantry

9:00AM Quilting



Next Sunday, October 31st

7:45AM Worship Service & Baptism

9:00AM "Spook-tacular" Sunday School

"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.