16th Sunday after Pentecost 9am In-Person Worship & Live Stream Sunday September 25th, 2022



HEAR IT, FEEL IT, LIVE IT, SHARE IT - GOD'S LOVE

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In-Person Worship: 9:00am Livestream: 9:00am SS Hour 10:00am

Welcome Visitors! Please sign our guest book located in the narthex. *Indicates that those who are able please stand. We use the cranberry colored hymnals that are located in the pews. The page numbers for the liturgy are in the front of the book. The # sign in the bulletin refers to the hymn number in the back of the book. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday and is open to all. We believe that Jesus is present in the bread and the wine. Communion is offered with wafer or bread and small cup of wine. Gluten free wafers are available. Children are welcome to commune or receive a blessing whichever they do in their home Church. If grape juice is preferred, please let the pastor know before the service.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Preparation / Prelude Announcements

THE GATHERING

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us confess our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven \pm and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: #532 Gather Us In

- Here in this place the new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.
- We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race. Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

4 Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away—here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day. Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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: # 155

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Hymn of Praise: # 167 Now the Feast and Celebration....

Refrain

Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy to the God of life and love and freedom; praise and glory forevermore!

- 1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. *Refrain*
- 2 Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*
- For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

Prayer of the day:

Let us pray, 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.

THE WORD

Children's Time

First Reading: 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.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I 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.

⁴When 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;

⁶who 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.

⁸The 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.

¹⁰The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you

Second Reading: 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

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. This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation: # 172 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

*Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 16th Chapter 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—²⁸ for 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,

The gospel of the Lord, Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon "The Vulnerable and Urgent Work of the Kingdom"

neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Hymn of the Day: #715 Christ, Be Our Light

1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

- Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
 Longing for hope, many despair.
 Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
 Make us your living voice. *Refrain*
- 3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
 Longing for water, many still thirst.
 Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. *Refrain*
- 4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
 Longing for warmth, many are cold.
 Make us your building, sheltering others,
 walls made of living stone. *Refrain*
- Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

*Apostle's 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:

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill. We pray especially for *Bill, Joe, Ann, Elise, Ian, Eldon, Mary Jo, Kristen,* and all those we name now before you whether out loud or in our hearts...Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Enliven our praise. Inspire musicians, artists, poets, and all who create beauty in this place. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

THE MEAL

Peace and exchange:

The peace of the risen Christ be with you all. And also with you.

Let us share the peace with one another.

Offering:

The ministry of Our Savior's continues and thanks to your generosity, and God's work continues through all of us! Offering can be received either by mailing it to the church at N6450 530th St. Beldenville, WI 54003, dropping it off, online at <u>oursaviorschurch.info</u> under the "give" tab, or simply text your donation amount to 833-506-0632 and follow the instructions on your phone to complete your donation.

*Offertory Hymn: # 182 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather

the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offering prayer:

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. **Amen.**

Communion

Great Thanksgiving

pg. 152

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.

*Sanctus pg. 153 (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer pg. 154 (Our Father who art in Heaven...)

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.

Invitation to Communion: Gifts of God, for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God # 195

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion hymns: #'s (491, 608, 479)

Prayer after Communion:

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray, God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we may serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*Blessing/Benediction:

May the peace of Christ go with you, wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness and protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into God's doors,

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

THE SENDING

Sending hymn: #723 Canticle of the Turning

1 My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.

You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me, and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.

Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Refrain*

- From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.

 Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.

 The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn; there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. Refrain
- 4 Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:
 God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
 This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around. Refrain

Dismissal:

Go in peace. Love your neighbor! Thanks be to God!

"OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED, NOW OUR SERVICE BEGINS"

Please continue to pray for the following people;

Joe Minder, Bill (Cubby) Huber, Ann Leonard, Elise Foley, Ian Peterson, Eldon Schellfeffer, Mary Jo Bjork, and Kristen Anderson.

If you know of anyone that should be on our prayer list please contact the office.

The names will be on the prayer list for two weeks unless specified.

Announcements:

Sunday September 25th 9am In-person & Livestream Worship, 10am Fellowship Hour (Sunshine Crew), No Sunday School Hour

Sunday October 2nd 9am In-person & Livestream Worship, 10am Cross-Gen Connect Event, Fellowship/Sunday School Hour (Youth Fundraiser Maddi, Marti & Sophia),

<u>Happy Birthday!</u> September (25th) Nick Freier, Sawyer Gonzalez (28th) Lane Kolodzienski (29th) Renee Flynn, Claire Straub (30th) Kay Baker, Jackie Schroeder

The MIM want to thank all of you who donated money to the fuel fund last Sunday at coffee hour. YOU raised \$842.00 for the fuel fund.

<u>OUTSTANDING BILLS:</u> Each year, our congregation needs to pay large bills all at once, including insurance and prepaid gas. To cover this, we end up borrowing from our designated funds so that we don't have to take out a line of credit. We currently owe \$13,034.61 to our designated account. Your generosity can help us get that number down! Please prayerfully consider helping out by making an extra donation to this fund so we can continue to keep the building heated and our ministries going. Thank you, Our Savior's Council.

<u>Lutefisk Supper 2022</u> The 74th Annual Lutefisk Supper will continue this year but with some major changes. The menu remains basically the same. If you have friends and relatives asking you for information about this year's meal, here are the details.

The supper will be a dine-in meal but we will consider take-out orders reserved ahead. The major change is reservations are needed as found on our website: www.oursaviorschurch.info with a link to "Signup Genius". You do not need to login or set up an account. Just directly click on the time desired. Reservations can also be made by emailing or calling the office with the needed information. Payment can be mailed to the church or paid at the door. No online payment is required. Ticket prices increased for adults to \$20 but youth tickets remained the same at \$12 and \$7. We are limiting the number of reservations to 400 with another 100 volunteers. We are starting later at 2:30 and the last setting is at 6:00 p.m. We ask that reservations by made by Monday, October 17 to help us plan more efficiently. We will need everyone's help to make it run smoothly. If you want to help in a specific area, please call the office to leave a message for the committee.

The final Pierce Co. Fair numbers! The final proceeds from the fair totaled \$18,587.77. This result would have been several thousands of dollars less if it hadn't been for the overwhelming generosity of many of you who raised \$4,069.89 in the hamburger fund. This went a long way to help cut our expenses. Thank you all for your generous donations of time and money to make this year's fair a success! Clair Severson, Fair Chair

Rush River Lutheran Church 75th Annual Harvest Dinner and Country Store: Sunday September 25th from 11am -2pm. The cafeteria style menu includes; ham, hand-rolled meatballs, lefse, remmegrot and other traditional Norwegian cookies and treats! Adults \$16 Children (ages 7-12) \$8.



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: The Pierce County Food Pantry continues to need certain items. For the month of September we will be collecting pancake syrup,

apple sauce, cans of refried beans, cream of mushroom, cream of chicken and cream of celery. Please put the items in the grocery cart in the back of the church. Thank you for showing your concern.

Money donations excepted as well. Did you know that every dollar donated can purchase \$7 worth of food? Online donations @hungerpreventioncouncil.net, call 715-273-2070 or to arrange a food drive sponsored by your family or organization. Lets help end hunger in Pierce County.

Youth News!

Sunday School: all youth in 4YK-5th grade S.O.S Kids Crew: all youth in 1st-5th grade Confirmation: all youth in 6th-9th Grade.

Sunday School Hour! Sunday October 2nd we will meet in the Sanctuary after the 9am Worship.

Our Pie and Ice Cream Social was a fun and successful event! A HUGE THANK YOU to all Confirmation Youth and Parents, for donating pies, serving and clean-up. It was amazing to see so many come together to make this event possible!

A special Thank You to everyone who attended this youth fundraiser - your support is greatly appreciated!

2023 Scripture Calendars and Christmas Card Sets: are available to purchase on the youth table in fellowship Hall for \$8.00. Thank you for supporting our 2023 Mission Trip!