

# St. Paul Lutheran Church of Catonsville



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 28, 2025

# Welcome

If you are a guest with us today, we welcome you in the name of Jesus! If you have questions or prayer requests or want to get in touch with us, please sign the guest book in the lobby (or use this QR code) or email or call.



**Welcome to all!** Thanks for joining us this morning.

**Children's bulletins and church bags** (soft activity books, quiet toys and other "surprises") are available in the narthex.

**The Children's Nursery Area** is available downstairs in the Parish Hall. The service streams on the monitor and there is a soft rug, chairs, books and toys available. Turn right out of the sanctuary and go down the stairs.

**Prelude:** Please use the prelude as a time for quiet prayer and meditation before worship.

**Prayer request cards are available in the pews facing you.** You may give the card to an usher or place in the offering plate.

## **For Those Who Desire to Receive the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. Paul in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. (Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the communion trays.)

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Prelude:

God the Father, Be Our Stay

Samuel Scheidt  
(1587-1654)

*Stand*

Glory Be to God the Father

LSB 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the  
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;  
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,  
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!  
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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# Confession and Absolution

## Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

*Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

## Kneel/Sit

## Confession of Sins

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

## Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Stand

# Service of the Word

## Introit

*Psalm 119:73–75, 77; antiphon: v. 76*

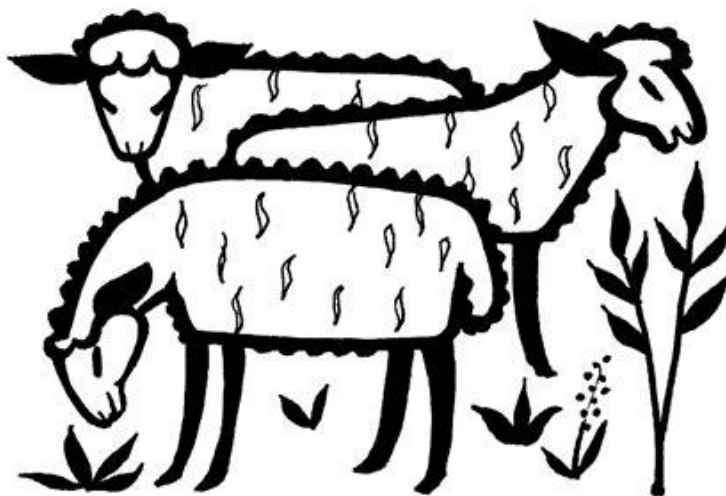
Let your steadfast love | comfort me\*  
according to your promise to your | servant.  
Your hands have made and | fashioned me,\*  
give me understanding that I may learn your com- | mandments.  
Those who fear you shall see me | and rejoice,\*  
because I have hoped | in your word.  
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.  
Let your steadfast love | comfort me\*  
according to your promise to your | servant.

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.



## Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise

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1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
 △ 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.  
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
 Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**Anthem:**

Be Still, My Soul, Before the Lord

Marty Haugen (b. 1950)  
Setting by David von Kampen  
(b. 1986)

Be still, my soul, before the Lord, for God is always near.  
Before your mind is moved to pray, God listens and will hear.  
You need not multiply your words nor pray with practiced art.  
Beyond all speech, God understands the hunger of your heart.  
Wait, then, in quiet confidence, your anxious thoughts at rest,  
God knows your needs before you ask and works for what is best.  
Be still, my soul, before the Lord; on God in patience wait.  
God's love, unseen, surrounds your life; God's help will not be late.

**Old Testament Reading***Amos 6:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion,  
and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria,  
the notable men of the first of the nations,  
to whom the house of Israel comes!  
<sup>2</sup>Pass over to Calneh, and see,  
and from there go to Hamath the great;  
then go down to Gath of the Philistines.  
Are you better than these kingdoms?  
Or is their territory greater than your territory,  
<sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster  
and bring near the seat of violence?  
<sup>4</sup>“Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory  
and stretch themselves out on their couches,  
and eat lambs from the flock  
and calves from the midst of the stall,  
<sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp  
and like David invent for themselves instruments of music,  
<sup>6</sup>who drink wine in bowls  
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,  
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!  
<sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile,  
and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

He will command his angels concerning you  
**to guard you in all your ways.**  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

## Epistle

*1 Timothy 6:6–19*

<sup>6</sup>Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment, <sup>7</sup>for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. <sup>8</sup>But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. <sup>9</sup>But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup>For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

<sup>11</sup>But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. <sup>12</sup>Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup>I charge you in 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, <sup>14</sup>to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup>who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup>As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup>They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup>thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Stand



## Alleluia



## Verse

*John 20:31*



## Alleluia



## Holy Gospel

*Luke 16:19–31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>19</sup>[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup>who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup>and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup>But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup>And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s

house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup>And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup>He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

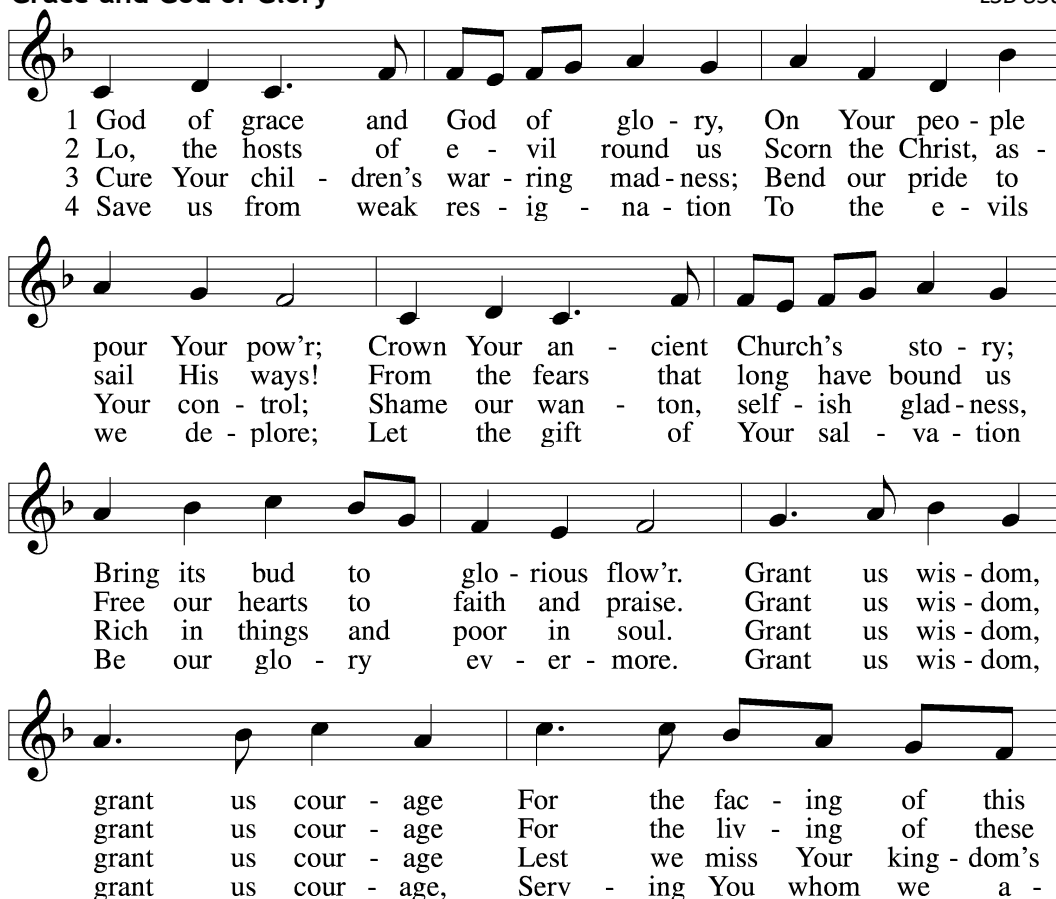
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## God of Grace and God of Glory

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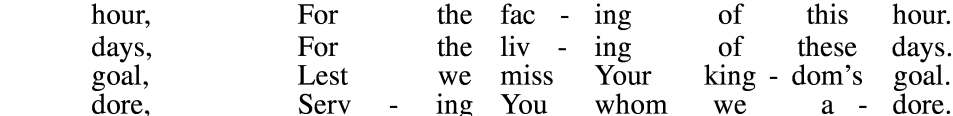


1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple  
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -  
 3 Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to  
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;  
 sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us  
 Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,  
 we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion

Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,  
 Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,

grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this  
 grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these  
 grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's  
 grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a -



who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

### Offering

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex. You may also give electronically via this QR code or through our website at [stpaulcatonsville.org/donation](http://stpaulcatonsville.org/donation). If you would like to send in an electronic offering via text, text the dollar amount you would like to give to 410-888-0161.)*



### Offertory

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Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give thanks to the

Ho - ly One, Give thanks \_\_\_\_\_ be - cause He's giv - en\_\_ Je - sus

Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give

thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks \_\_\_\_\_ be - cause He's giv - en\_\_

Je - sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am

strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," \_\_\_\_\_ Be-cause of  
 what the Lord has done for us. And now let the  
 weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am  
 rich," \_\_\_\_\_ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.  
 Give thanks, \_\_\_\_\_ give thanks. \_\_\_\_\_

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## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*

**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 the Lord our God.

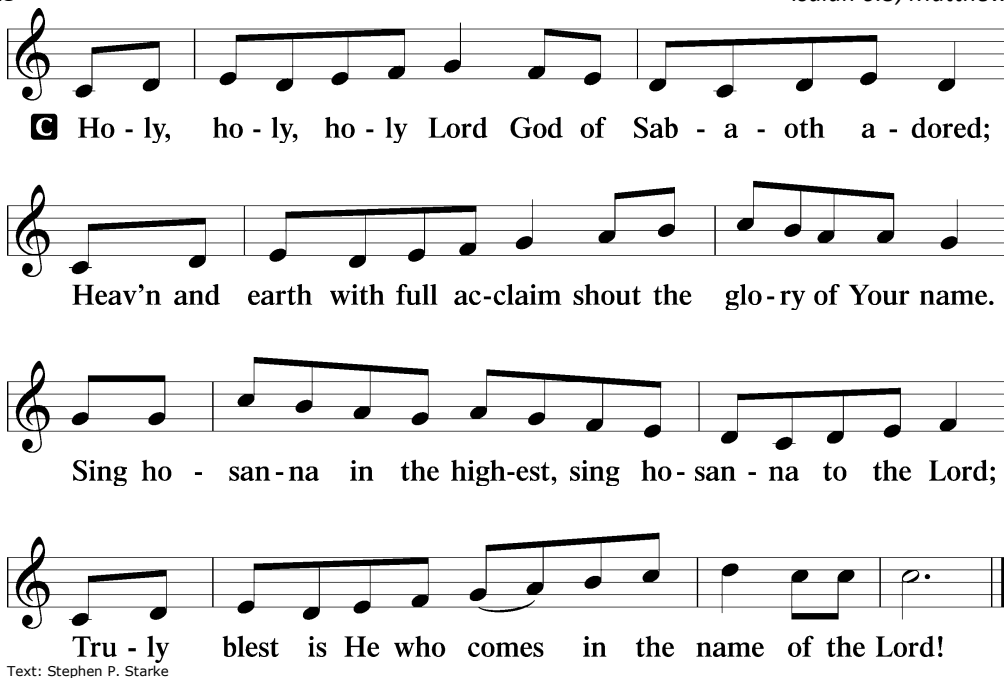
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus

Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
Sing ho - san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of

His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

### Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

### The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

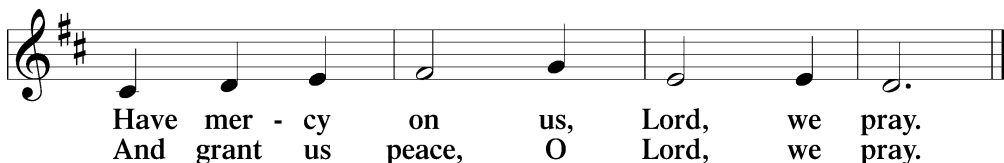
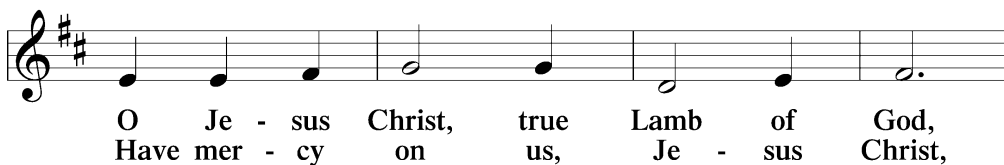
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

# Agnus Dei

John 1:29



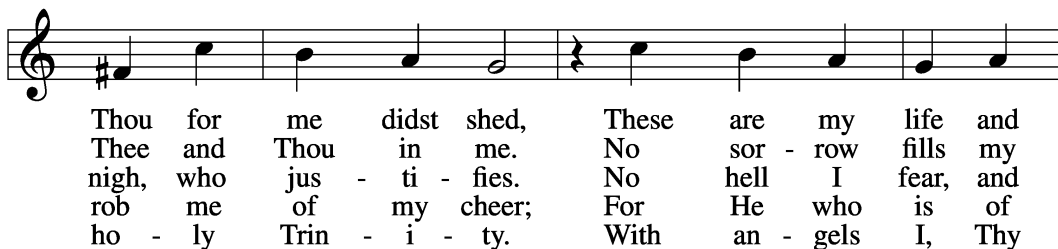
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Sit

## Distribution

### Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

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strength for - ev - er, By them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
soul, de - light - ed It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.  
thus se - cure - ly With Je - sus I to heav - en rise.  
death the mas - ter With aid and com - fort e'er is near.  
prais - es tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.



*Refrain*

Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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## When Peace, like a River

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1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When  
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let  
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My  
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast  
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I  
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.



*Refrain*

It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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# I'm But a Stranger Here

LSB 748



1 I'm but a strang - er here, Heav'n is my home;  
 2 What though the tem - pest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
 3 There - fore I mur - mur not, Heav'n is my home;



Earth is a des - ert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
 Short is my pil - grim - age, Heav'n is my home;  
 What - e'er my earth - ly lot, Heav'n is my home;



Dan - ger and sor - row stand Round me on ev - 'ry hand;  
 And time's wild win - try blast Soon shall be o - ver - past;  
 And I shall sure - ly stand There at my Lord's right hand;



Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.  
 I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.  
 Heav'n is my fa - ther - land, Heav'n is my home.

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## Stand

## Post Communion Blessing

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 937



1 Lord, bid Your ser - vant go in peace,  
 2 This is the Sav - ior of the world,  
 3 With saints of old, with saints to come,



Your word is now ful - filled. These eyes have seen sal -  
 The Gen - tles' prom - ised light, God's glo - ry dwell - ing  
 To You we lift our voice; To Fa - ther, Son, and



va - tion's dawn, This child so long fore - told.  
 in our midst, The joy of Is - ra - el.  
 Spir - it blest Be hon - or, love, and praise.

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## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray...

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

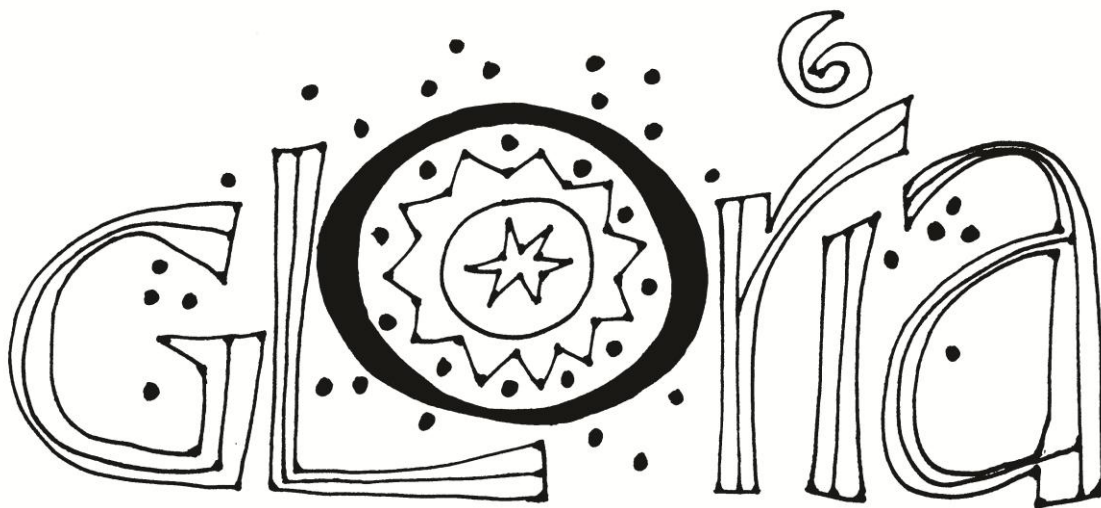
## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.



# Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LSB 793



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your  
 2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple  
 3 Fa - ther-like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble  
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,  
 frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,  
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,  
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,  
 All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.  
 al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.  
 al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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## Postlude:

All Glory Be to God On High

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau

(1663-1712)

*Fughette on Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr* Andreas Nikolaus Vetter

(c. 1666-1734)

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## News And Notes

### Altar Flowers

Flowers are given by John and Karyn Borth in celebration of their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### Sunday School Is Sunday At 9 AM

Classes are Nursery (2 yrs old-Kindergarten); Elementary (1st –4th Grade); Middle School (5th – 8th Grade) and High School.

### Conflict and Community: A Look at 1 Corinthians

Pastor Alms leads a study of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians this September through November.

### St. Paul Men's Group: October 11th

The men of St. Paul will meet again on October 11th at 8:30 am in the fellowship hall for food, prayer and Bible study. All confirmed men and friends of St. Paul are welcome! Let Jim Baeder know if you plan to attend. We will also start planning for raking leaves in November and the Ladies Tea this spring. We will also meet on November 8th and December 13th!

### Mark Your Calendars: Trunk Or Treat - October 25th, 3pm

Join us for an afternoon of fun and treats! If you like to help the planning committee or host a trunk, please contact Kirsten Hall ([kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org](mailto:kirsten.hall@splscatonsville.org)). More event details coming soon!



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### St. Paul Will Be Ordering Offering Envelopes Soon For 2026

Offering envelopes will be available as usual. However, if you give your offerings entirely electronically or online and have no use for envelopes, you may contact the church office by October 15th and opt out of a set of envelopes. Email Linda at [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@splscatonsville.org)

### Lutheran Witness Subscriptions Are Now All Online

Subscribe to the Lutheran Witness here: <https://www1.cph.org/witness/default.aspx> The Lutheran Witness is the official magazine of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and a free sample issue is available at the above website. The St Paul Church office is no longer involved in handling subscriptions. All subscriptions can be made individually online.

### Newsletter

The October newsletter is available in the narthex.

## Help Provide Fresh, Nutritious Food For The Hungry

Please join us at Harvest Help at First Fruits Farm, hosted by your local Thrivent Community. Work with us to gather the harvest at First Fruits Farm, then enjoy lunch --our treat! Space is limited. RSVP to (443) 860-6700 or [LibertyTeam@Thrivent.com](mailto:LibertyTeam@Thrivent.com) by October 3.

First Fruits Farm is not affiliated with Thrivent. Date: Saturday, October 18, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Location: First Fruits Farm, 20431 Middletown Rd, Freeland, MD

### Serving at St. Paul

	<b>This week 28th</b>	<b>Next week 5th</b>
<b>Cantor</b>	Jim Baeder	Steve Haar
<b>Reader</b>	Kate Baeder	Jay Barringer
<b>Usher</b>	Don Easton	Jeffrey Hemmeter
<b>Usher</b>	Bill Oldhouser	Jon Brooks
<b>Greeter</b>	Robbin Dungey	Karyn Borth

### Daily Readings

Sept 28, 2025	Deut 1:1–18, Matt 5:1–20
Sept 29, 2025	Deut 1:19–36, Matt 5:21–48
Sept 30, 2025	Deut 1:37—2:15, Matt 6:1–15
Oct 01, 2025	Deut 2:16–37, Matt 6:16–34
Oct 02, 2025	Deut 3:1–29, Matt 7:1–12
Oct 03, 2025	Deut 4:1–20, Matt 7:13–29
Oct 04, 2025	Deut 4:21–40, Matt 8:1–17

### Happening This Week

Monday Sept 29, 2025		
7:15 PM- 9:00 PM	ESL	Media Center
7:30 PM – 9:00 PM	AA Small Group	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday Sept 30, 2025		
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Mission Board Meeting	
Wednesday Oct 01, 2025		
Thursday Oct 02, 2025		
6:00 PM – 7:15 PM	Bell Choir Practice	
7:15 PM- 9:00 PM	ESL	Media Center
Friday Oct 03, 2025	Pastor Alms' Day off	
Saturday Oct 04, 2025		
Sunday Oct 05, 2025		
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	Bible Classes	
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Oromo Worship	Sanctuary
18:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Oromo Fellowship	Sanctuary

## **CHURCH MEMBERS**

Fred Shifflett (Heart valve replacement)  
Eryn Donahey (recovering from surgery)  
Debbie Frech (pneumonia, cancer, new chemotherapy treatment)  
Jim Kyne (vision problem)  
Sally Foks (recovering from a tibial fracture)  
Lindsey Gay (continued recovery)  
Merilyn Blomster (recovering)  
Laurie Dungey (continued improvement)  
Marilyn Haberl (scleroderma)



## **SHUT-INS**

Dorothy Shifflett and Janet Conklin.

## **FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Carroll Weyrich, patience, perseverance (brother of LaVern Kyne) 9/28  
Joyce Shaffer, that she come to faith in Christ (sister of Ed Cohen) 9/28  
Nancy Miller, broken leg (neighbor of Ed Cohen) 9/28  
Gavin Portnoy, recovering from brain surgery (Son-in-law of Rich and Sally Foks)  
Dwayne Sharpe, heart attack (Amanda McKay and Michelle Johnson's brother-in-law).8/10  
Jack Pearce, cancer diagnosis (friend of the Kyne's)8/31  
The aging parents of Claudia Kyne (DIN of the Kyne's) 8/31  
Karen, open heart surgery (friend of the Kyne's) 8/31  
Walt O'Reilly for recovering (Renata O'Reilly's husband)  
Eine Haasmaa hospitalized (Mom of Sari Nguyen) 3/11

Prayer is a great gift and privilege for Christians. To add people to the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please email [pastoraims@stpaulcatonsville.org](mailto:pastoraims@stpaulcatonsville.org) or [linda.jones@splscatonsville.org](mailto:linda.jones@splscatonsville.org) or call the church office at 410-747-1897. Family and friends will automatically be removed after one month. If you want your request to stay on for another month, just contact the office.



## Sermon Notes

Handwriting practice lines for sermon notes.



pm Amos 6:1-7