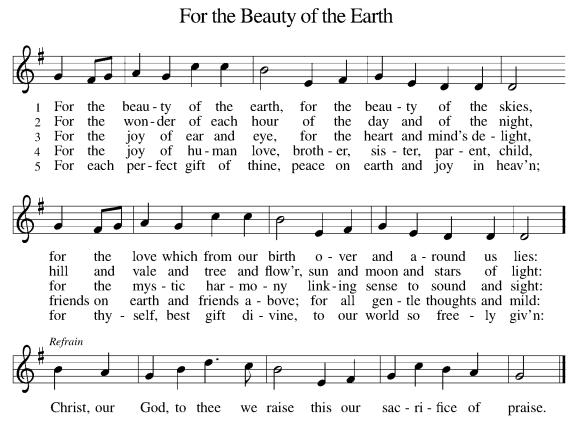


September 01, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG For the Beauty of the Earth vv1,2,4 ELW 879



Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt. Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

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.**

SONG of PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED.

Children's Bible Story

Back to School Blessing

Children's Bible Story Song



FIRST READING – Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.

⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading - Psalm 15

1Lord, who may dwell in your | tabernacle? Who may abide upon your | holy hill?

2Those who lead a blameless life and do | what is right, who speak the truth | from their heart;

3they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil | to their friends; they do not cast discredit up- | on a neighbor.

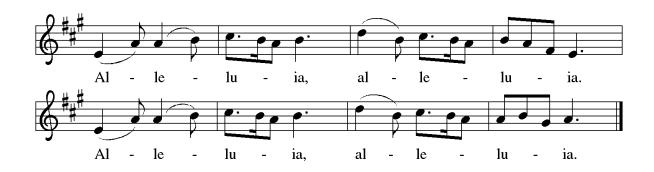
4In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who | fear the Lord. They have sworn upon their health and do not take | back their word.

5They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown.

Acclamation

The assembly stands.



The Holy Gospel according to Mark the seventh chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

1Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], 2they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. 3(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; 4and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) 5So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" 6He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; 7in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' 8You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." 14Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: 15there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. 21"For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, 22adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. 23All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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

SERMON



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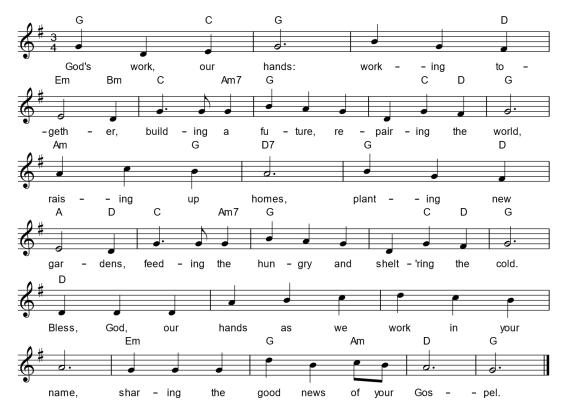
PRAYERS Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG



OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

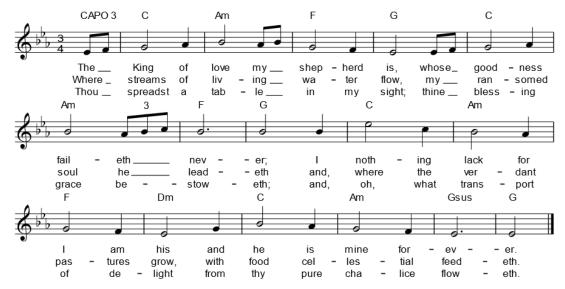
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is Christ's table and Christ welcomes each and every single one of you.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG



SONG AFTER COMMUNION



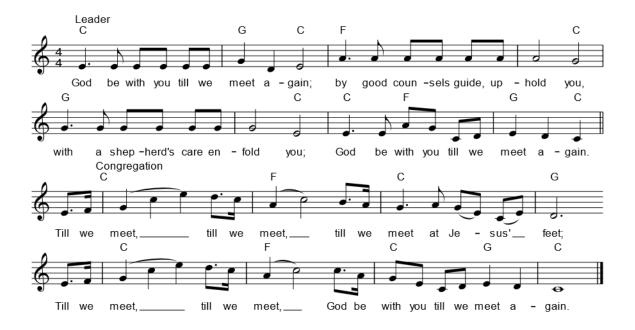
Prayer after Communion

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal

and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessing



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Baptized this morning is Lane Scott Uhl, son of Elizabeth and Adam Uhl. Lane was born on April 29, 2024 in Monroe, MI. His sponsors are Tara Uhl and Ethan Uhl.

God Works Soup Kitchen is counting on a meal from us on Wednesday, September 11. We'll provide the meal with your help. We also need three salads and three desserts. Contact Joy Fox if you can provide one of the dishes and/or help.

All Sunday School aged youth, including Catechism and High school students, and a parent or other adult are reminded of the meeting on Sun Sept 15 at 10:15 AM. (Letters were mailed in August). Everyone will gather in the Sanctuary. Pastor will go over the new programs that will begin this Fall. If you didn't receive a mailing contact the church office.

A fun event for our youth is planned for Sun., Sept. 15 with go cart riding and putt putt golfing. We'll have food after church at PoP. After we eat, we'll head over to Go Karts Plus 14999 Laplaisance Rd in Monroe 48161 from 11 AM – 2 PM. Please sign up in the narthex or rsvp to <u>pastor@princeofpeaceida.org</u>.

Ida Kids Center is looking for caregivers to join their team! If you love kids and have availability in the daytime and afternoon, we would love to talk to you! Please reach out to Stephanie at idakidscenter@outlook.com

Altar guild is looking for additional ladies to assist with communion setup and care of the altar. It is not a difficult or time-consuming service for our church, and we will pair you up with a veteran! Individual training will be provided. Please contact Mindy Stadler for details.

A 9-week Tuesday morning adult Bible study begins September 17th at 9:30. This Pastor-led study will dig deeper into the text we hear on Sunday (or Wednesday), exploring ways to make biblical stories become a vital part of our everyday life. So, if scripture is often a mystery to you and you're looking for ways to apply Sunday's readings to your life, this study is for you.

Thursday evening, September 19th at 6:30 p.m. help is needed with the annual "BIG TRIM." The invitation is wide open for anyone who is able to assist us in trimming the evergreen hedge on the east side of the sanctuary. Please consider helping--this is a big task, and many hands make the load light.

The current issues of *Word in Season* and the new issues of *Spark*, a booklet with activities and devotions for families with children continue through the month. They are in the narthex and are free of charge.



We'll celebrate her installation as our newest ministry team member on Rally Day: SUN SEP 08, 2024 @ 9AM.



WELCA Meeting

We will be having a WELCA meeting (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) on **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND** at **10:15 AM**. This is open to all women of the church that are confirmed. We have a lot to discuss, and we need **EVERYONE** there. Please plan to grab a drink and a cookie or two from coffee hour and meet us in the hallway outside of the gym. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Kim Cramer.

Schedule:

Sunday: Holy Communion - 9:00 AM Fellowship Hour – 10:00 Monday: Labor Day Tuesday: AA - 7:00 PM Wednesday: Mid-Week Service – 7:00 PM Thursday: Holy Grounds – 9:00 AM

Serving our congregation this morning:

Acolytes – Cooper Salenbien and Ryan Buuck Altar Guild – Jackie Lampkowski Coffee Hour – Ann Clark Financial Stewards – Dick Leonard and John Gerweck Liturgical Minister – Kim Zietlow Media – Kelsey DeLand Organist – Ray Smith Ushers – Darrick Whitaker, Head Usher; Carol Whitaker, Zach Hemry, Grace Hudson Youth Lay Reader – Cooper Salenbien

Coming Soon...

- Sept. 15 Children's Handbells Play during service
- Sept. 15 Youth Ministry & Sunday School Orientation Parents & Youth
- Sept. 15 Teacher Installation
- Sept. 15 Youth Outing to Go Carts
- Sept. 17 Tuesday Morning Bible Study Begins 9:30 AM
- Sept. 19 Hedge "Big Trim" 6:30 PM
- Sept. 22 Sunday School Begins 10:15 AM
- Sept. 22 WELCA Meeting 10:15 AM
- Sept. 28 Adopt-a-Road Clean-Up 9:00 AM

Register for Sunday School using the QR code or this link: https://forms.office.com/r/DdJUx3u05n

