

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

and Service of Celebration to God for 125 years of Christian Service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Harney, MD

Mission Statement

As Seeds of God's Love, we strive to grow in His service, by sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Worship Leaders—St. Paul's: Greeter –Bonnie Yingling; Lay Reader-Karen Tawney; Ushers – Ellen and Kristina Rodgers; Acolyte- Colin Arnold and Madelyn Bowers; Musician – Lauren Stair. Guest Organist - Faith Smeck

Welcome Worshippers: It's good to have you here! Please sign the "Pew Register Pad." If visiting, please sign the register by front door as well. Please come back to worship with us again. There is a handicapped restroom is in the back of the Church. Other restrooms are at the bottom of the stairs.

Communion Instructions: All baptized Christians may receive Holy Communion. Please check off on the pew registration pad that you have received communion. You may come forward under the direction of the ushers. If you have a gluten allergy, please let the pastor know and we can make an accommodation.

Some notes about our service: If this is your first time worshiping in our community, we want to make sure you are able to fully participate in the liturgy. As a Lutheran congregation, we follow a liturgy based on ancient prayers and scripture. Today's liturgy has been composed to celebrate the community of St. Paul's. Many of the different parts of the liturgical musical has been replaced by favorite hymns. Also included in the bulletin are explanations as to why we do the things that we do. Parts of these explanations are taken from those printed in our weekly bulletin and others are taken from the theological document titled, *The Means of Grace*.

Being a liturgical congregation, we use vestments and other liturgical elements to add to the worship experience. The color on the altar changes with the different seasons of the church year. The change reflects the themes of each season. Albs are worn by all those assisting in the Liturgy. An alb is a symbol of baptism and serve as a reminder of the new garment in Christ that all baptized people put on. As a distinction of the office, pastors wear stoles. A stole is a long, thin piece of fabric that matches the color of the day. The stole reminds us of the yoke that those who have been ordained bear and that they do not bear all the burdens alone.

The pastor also wears additional vestments. The chasuble, an large outer garment which matches the color of the day, is a Communion Vestment. The purpose for this garment is to help the pastor blend into the background so that visionally, the congregation's focus is on the bread and wine - the body and blood of Jesus Christ. The chasuble helps in reminding us that it is God's Word alone that brings about the miracle of Christ's presence in this holy meal.

On festival celebrations, our congregation has a procession and use a processional cross and other items to help make the procession more special. The use of the processional cross reminds us that we follow a crucified savior. As the savior leads us into worship, the crucified savior also leads us out into the world. Today, our procession will also include a new banner made to help commemorate this celebration. The pastor will also be wearing a cope. The cope looks very similar to a cape, but its purpose is different. The cope, like the chasuble, is meant to help the pastor blend more into the background and let the glory of the cross remain the center focus.

Parish Worship Schedule

St. Paul's - Worship 9a.m., 10 a.m. - Sunday School
Mt. Joy Worship - 10:30a.m., 9:30a.m. - Sunday School
Pastor Matthew Day - Phone: 410-967-2132 - Email: pastormattday@g
Parish website - http://www.mjspparish.org



Reformation Sunday 125th Anniversary of St. Paul's Lutheran Church Sunday, October 25, 2015

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! We pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our congregations receive and administer the means of grace in richly diverse ways. This diversity in practice is well grounded in the Confessions. 'It is not necessary for the true unity of the Christian church that ceremonies of human institution should be observed uniformly in all places." We are united in one common center: Jesus Christ proclaimed in Word and sacraments amidst participating assemblies of singing, serving, and praying people.

(Use of the Means of Grace)

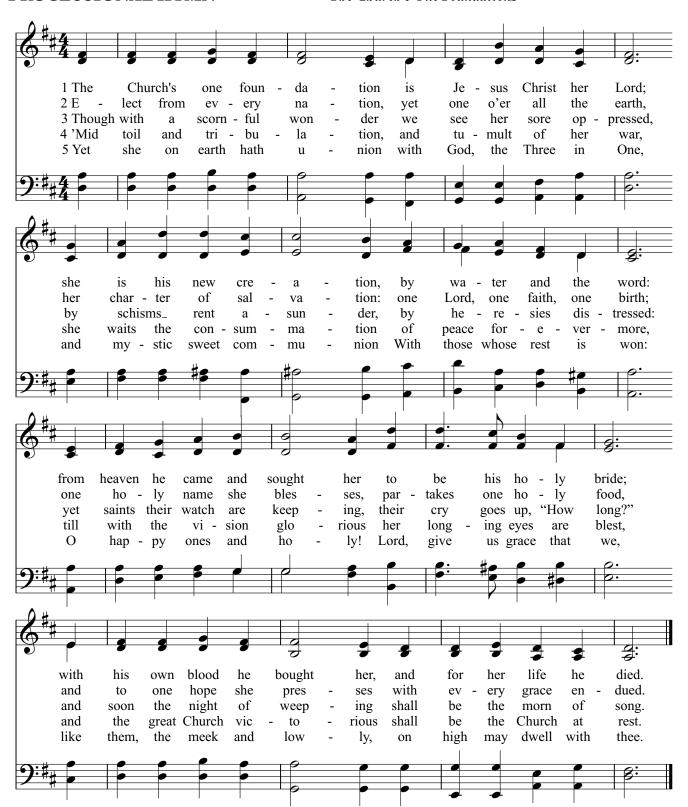
*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
 - Most merciful God,
- C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P: In the mercy of almighty God,
 Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
 and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
 As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
 and by his authority,
 I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
 in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The Church's One Foundation.

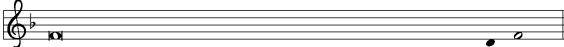


*GREETING

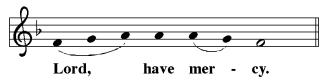
- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.





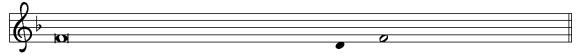


For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

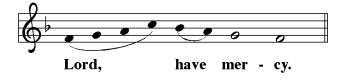


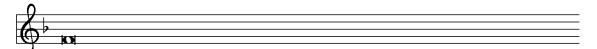


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



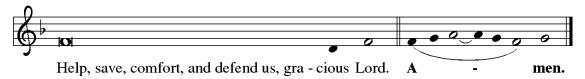
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.





For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,





*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: O God, you have promised through your Son to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for those who founded this community of believers and for the signs of your presence in our congregation.

 Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example to all believers and to all nations. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

viva vox evangelii
"the living voice of the gospel"

- It is the voice of God calling Elijah in the silence that follows the storm.
- It is the voice of the angels calling the unsuspecting shepherds to see God with them.
- It is the voice you embody--from the organ bench, from the pulpit, from the bedside -as you participate in God's new life.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright. lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.

L: A reading from Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING: 1 Peter 2:1-9

- P: Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander.
- C: Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.
- L: Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight,
- C: and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
- L: For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."
- C: To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,"
- L: And "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall. They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.
- C: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. No human. beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.

L: A reading from Romans.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN

How Great Thou Art.

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel. You are invited to turn and face the procession. We read the gospel inthe center of our congregation as a reminder that the word of God is in the middle of the people. Please join integring verse 1 before the gospel is read and verse 2 after the reading of the gospel.



- P: The holy gospel according to John, the 8th chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please join in singing vs. 2 of How Great Thou Art.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Brad Dayett

Son of St. Paul's Congregation Pastor - St Paul's Lutheran Church Stoverstown, PA

*HYMN OF THE DAY

Faith of Our Fathers

You may remain seated for the hymn.



*NICENE CREED

- L: Let us confess our Christian Faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

The Nicene Creed was composed by the Ecumenical Council of 325. The group met in. Nicea to talk about the disagreements between. the Eastern and Western. churches. From that. Council, the first two paragraphs of the creed were created. The third paragraph was added in. 381 and essentially led to the Great Schism of Orthodoxy. Today, the Nicene Creed is used for special occasions in the Lutheran Church such as feast days and celebrations.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

and his kingdom will have no end.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

- L: Reforming God, renew the covenant you have made with your people. Write your law on our hearts so that all we say and do proclaims the grace you have shown us. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- L: Reinvigorate those places that have become desolate and barren through human intervention or natural disaster. Breathe new life into plants, animals, and watersheds. Lord, in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

L: Reconcile the nations to one another. Where long-standing disputes remain, raise up new generations to foster understanding. Bring peace where there is deep-rooted conflict. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Revive those who live under the weight of anxiety, despair, or illness especially those on our prayer list and those near and dear on hearts, that which we say either aloud or silently in our thoughts (*Brief pause...*). Carry their burdens, and uplift them by your compassionate Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Be with all those who are confined to their homes and all who suffer with chronic illness. Be especially with all those on our prayer lists. Bring safety to all who work in the world and our community where danger is always near. Be especially with Justin Hagarman, Megan Miller, Mark Norton, Sebastian Walling, Tim Sensel, Charles Cross 4th, Kolby Crouse, Nick Selby, Adam Crum and all area police officers and fire fighters. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: We give thanks to you for the members and the ministry of this congregation: for those who had the vision to begin this congregation, those who sustain its present ministry, and those who will carry its mission forward into the future. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: By your word, eternal God, your creation sprang forth, and we were given the breath of life. By your word, eternal God, death is overcome, Christ is raised from the tomb, and we are given new life in the power of your Spirit. May we boldly proclaim this good news in our words and our deeds, rejoicing always in your powerful presence; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: As we remember the witness of your saints, we pray you remember your promise of mercy for us. Reunite us with all your holy ones when you come in fullness. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

After praying for the whole world, we receive and extend to one another the gift of Christ's peace. A collection of material goods for the church's mission, including the care of those in need, is a sign of the giving of our whole selves in grateful response for all God's gifts.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with your neighbor either through the extension of the hand and shake hands, reaching out arms for the warm embrace of a hug, or through the biblical example of sharing a holy kiss (2 Corinthians 13:12 - Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you).

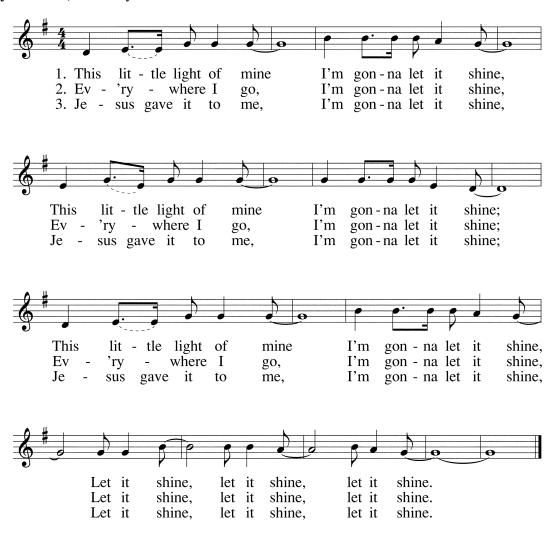
After you have exchanged the peace with those around you, please return to your pews and be seated as we give back to God a part of our labors and tithes.

OFFERING

Please rise as the Offertory Canticle is played.

*OFFERTORY CANTICLE

Give us spirit of light, in order that we may know you the true [God] and Jesus Christ whom you sent. Give us holy Spirit, in order that we may be able to proclaim and describe your inexpressible mysteries. Let the Lord Jesus speak in us and let the Holy Spirit also hymn you through us. (From a Eucharistic prayer in the Sacramentary of Sarapion of Thmuis, 4th century)



Text: African-American spiritual

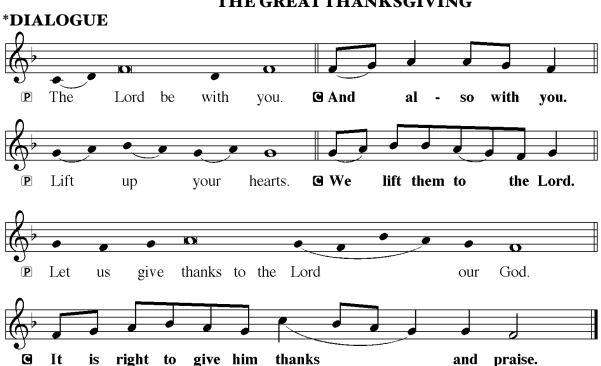
Tune: African-American spiritual; harm. by Horace Clarence Boyer

A explanation about the Great Thanksgiving and Sanctus: After we give thanks to God using the words of our Offering prayer, we begin the Great Thanksgiving by using the Dialog, Proper Preface and then sing the Sanctus. The first part of the canticle is taken from Isaiah 6. The prophet sees a vision of Angels bowing before God and singing "Holy, Holy," It is tradition that a person bow during the singing because the angels also bowed because they could not bear the holiness of God. The Second part is taken from the gospel accounts of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem when the people shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." To remind ourselves that we are blessed because of the one who comes in the name of the Lord many make a sign of the cross at these words.

MEAL

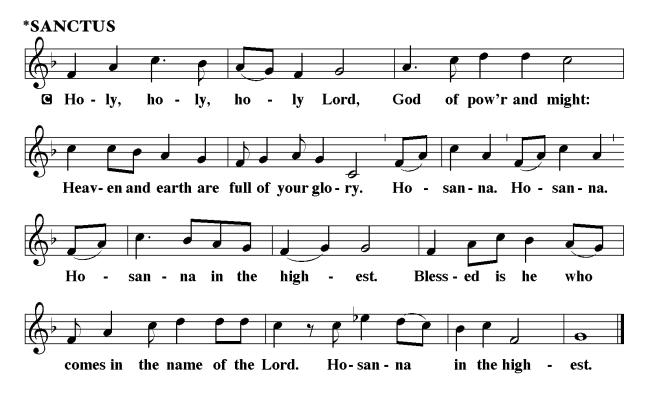
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE GREATTHANKSGIVING



*PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*THANKSGIVING ATTHE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, Almighty God.

You are most holy and great is the Majesty of your presence.

You are most faithful to your people of all times and places.

Even when we disobeyed your will in the garden,

you provided for our parents.

You made a covenant with Abraham and Sarah,

promising them that their generations

would be as numerous as the stars in heaven.

Even when our ancestors complained in the wilderness,

you fed them with manna from above and meat from quail.

Even when the Kings of Israel failed to do your will,

you remained faithful to your people,

leading them from exile back to the land you promised them.

Even when we dismissed your prophets,

you showed mercy by never giving up on your people.

And at the end of all ages, you sent us your Son;

born to a poor family living in a forgotten town.

Your Word of faithfulness

became flesh and lived among us.

He called the uneducated and sinners to follow him.

He forgave the unforgivable.

He preached your message of hope to a hopeless people.

He touched the unclean, healed the sick, raised the dead back to life.

But he was rejected by us and a corrupt leadership;

he was scorned for the inequities of your people.

He was convicted of crimes he did not commit

and was handed a cross for our punishment.

But you vindicated his life and raised him back to life,

thereby promising us that we have not only been united to Jesus in a death like his, but also in a resurrection like his.

On the night on which he was handed over, 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.

C: Christ as died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

After your son's resurrection, you sent upon your church the Holy Spirit which enlivened those gathered in the room

to go out and preach the good news of your Son.

Continue to enliven this congregation and your holy Church to preach the good news. Send your Holy Spirit upon this most blessed and holy Sacrament.

Use this meal, as you have promised,

to strengthen all who receive this heavenly food of bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord and Savior.

- P: Bless this congregation so that it might be a blessing for others. Where we are weak in faith,
- C: fill us with faith.
- P: Where we are weak in courage,
- C: sustain us so that we might be brave.
- P: Where we are weak in sin,
- C: forgive us.
- P: Where we are weak in mercy,
- C: love us.
- P: Help us in all our sinfulness to not only be forgiven,

but be forever changed by your grace.

And remind us of your promise to return where you will make all things new; where you will resurrect our broken world.

p: And so, most holy Father of all life and light, we join with the chorus of the faithful

simultaneously saints and sinners,

past, present and future generations,

all proclaiming with joy your unity:

C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

*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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

AGNUS DEI

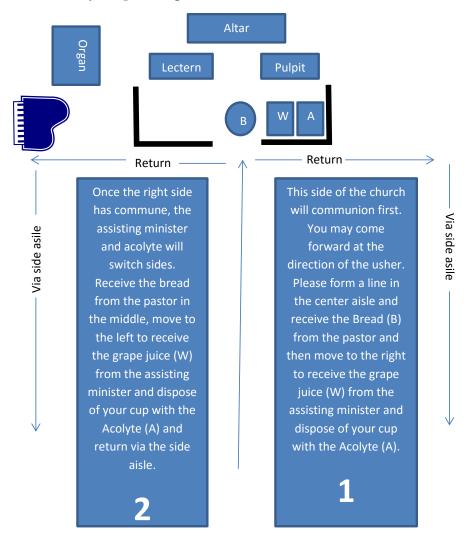
The Agnus Dei is Latin for "Lamb of God" and is a title for Jesus that appears in the Gospel of John (1:29). It is here that we are reminded that because of this meal, we have life to face another day and walk in the freedom of our God.

C: 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.

The grace of God's gift is always proclaimed in Jesus' own words of command and promise at the table. A full thanksgiving also includes praise to God for creation and salvation; remembrance of the crucified and risen Christ; and prayer for the Holy Spirit in this meal. The thanksgiving concludes with the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please follow the directions of the ushers when coming forward for communion. All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive this day. If you require a gluten free option, please let the Pastor know at the communion railing or before the service. If you do not feel the need to commune this day for spiritual, emotional or any other reason, you may either remain seated or come forward and receive a blessing. If you, for mobility reasons, cannot come forward, please let the usher know and the Pastor will come back to your pew. **Again, all are welcome to table.**



COMMUNION HYMNS

We sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world.

CHOIRANTHEM - Love Grows Here

A living voice is a prophetic voice when it emerges from a person who encounters the living Word of God while accompanying our people in the midst of whatever dirt floors and marble facades they face.

COMMUNION HYMN

Lord, the Light of Your Love is shining, In the midst of the darkness shining, Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth You now bring us, Shine on me. Shine on me. (**REFRAIN**)

As we gaze on Your kindly brightness. So our faces display Your likeness. Ever changing from glory to glory, Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story. Shine on me. Shine on me. (**REFRAIN**)

Shine, Jesus Shine

REFRAIN

Shine, Jesus shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your word,
Lord and let there be light.

As the whole Church of God, we celebrate unity without seeking to impose uniformity. There is sufficient wideness in God's call to worship that we rejoice in the faithfulness of a diversity of liturgical practices.

COMMUNION HYMN

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

I What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. **REFRAIN**

2 O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. **REFRAIN**

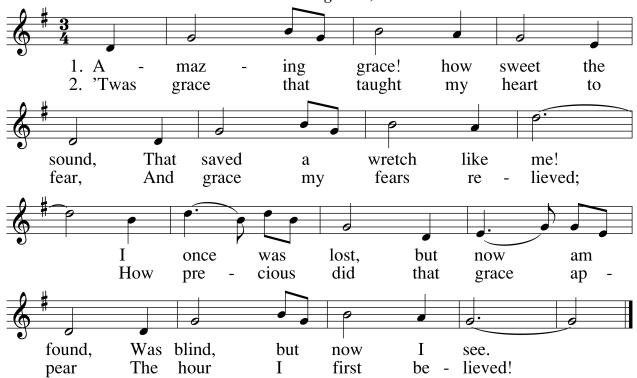
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. **REFRAIN**

Refrain: Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms. After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands. The presiding minister may say a table blessing, using these or similar words.

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: St. 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; st. 5, attr. to John Rees, fl.1859 Tune: NEW BRITAIN, CM; Virginia Harmony, 1831; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1851-1921

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Almighty God,

we give you thanks that you have fed us with this heavenly food.

In your grace and by your Spirit, help us to be what we celebrate,

the body of Christ in the world.

Send us out, renewed by this sacramental meal,

to do the work you have given us to do: to witness for Christ,

to love you with singleness of heart, and to serve you with clarity of purpose;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*BENEDICTION

- P: Go forth in peace and with the courage of faith. Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself.
- C: Amen.
- P: Whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him.
- C: Amen.
- P; The God of hope fill you with joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C: Amen.

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God's mission includes the gifts of grace that we share in worship and take also to the absent; now, we are sent to continue our participation in God's mission. With the blessing of God, we go out to live as Christ's body in the world.



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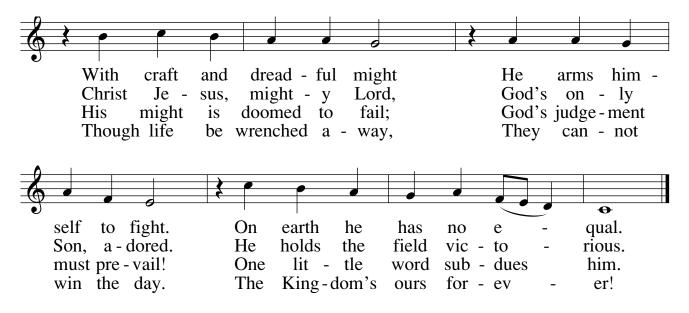
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*DISMISSAL

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P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Parish Announcements

This Week at Mt. Joy & St. Paul's Oct. 18 - Oct 25

Sun - 10:00 a.m. - 125th Anniversary Celebration at St. Paul's

Mon – 6:30 p.m. Westminster Conference Men's Dinner (Meet at St. Paul's by 5:30 p.m.)

Sat - 2:00 p.m. Halloween Party at Mt. Joy

Sun - Pastor Matt Day Preaching - Holy Communion - All Saints Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship at St. Paul's, 10:00 a.m. Sunday School; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at Mt. Joy; 10:30 a.m. Worship

Don't Forget to fall back an hour next week as Daylight Savings Time Ends

Christmas Child

At Christmas our hearts go out to needy children. Once again this year the Parish is collecting gifts and toys, which we will be placed into shoe boxes. Items needed: school supplies, hygiene items, small toys (include batteries if necessary), hard candy, gum, T-shirts, socks, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry—DO NOT include war related items, medicines, glass/aerosol cans, or chocolate. Michele Weikert and her team are collecting for Mt. Joy and the packing date is Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.. Betty and John Ridinger are collecting for St. Paul's and the date for packing is Tuesday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Lutheran Church Women (LCW) will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4th at Bonnie Ramsburg's home. All are welcome!

Chicken Bar-B-Que

Mt. Joy's Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que will take place on Saturday, November 7 from 11:00 til sold out. Chicken dinners this year will be half a chicken, baked potato, applesauce and roll with butter for a donation of \$8.25. To place an order call Pat Johnson (717-637-2040) or Shirley Waybright (717-359-7534).

There will be a Congregational Meeting at Mt. Joy on November 8, 2015 following the service to discuss issues with the steeple, gutters and exterior painting of the Church, and to vote on these proposed repairs. Please plan to attend.

There will be a Congregational Meeting at St. Paul's on November 29th immediately following the Service to talk about electing new council officers.

Mittens, Scarves and Blankets

Traditionally, churches and other organizations collect mittens, scarves and blankets on a tree sometime in December. This year, we will get these items out sooner to those in need. So, our mitten trees will be set up sometime in the beginning of October and will not come down till the cold has left us (sometime in February or March).

Last year, we donated a large number of cold-weather items to SCAAP. Let's do it again! So when you are at the store and you see some mittens, throw them in the cart. If you like to knit, but have run out of people to give blankets to, make one for us. The trees will be up and as soon as they are filled, they will be cleaned off and taken to SCAAP.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS: **Mt. Joy's Council Meeting** will be Monday, November 9 at 7 p.m. (Note the day change). **St. Paul's Council Meeting** will be Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m..

Next Confirmation Class will be November 21st from 10 a.m. til 2 p.m. at the Parish House

December MDL will be assembled on Tuesday, November 24 at 10 a.m. at the Parish House. (Note change of day from our usual routine).

Previous Week's Offerings - October 18, 2015

St. Paul's: Attendance –43; Current - \$767.00; Benevolence- \$7.25; Building - \$26.00; World hunger - \$5.00; Anniversary - \$926.00; Pianist - \$76.00; Total - \$1233.50. Sunday School - Attendance –25; Offering - \$24.00.

Total Offering at St. Paul's \$767.00 **Total needed to meet the Budget Difference** \$1,231.15

- \$464.15

Donations toward the Music Ministry - \$76.00 **Total needed to meet the Budget Difference**\$118.42

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Mt. Joy: Attendance –30; Current - \$654.00; Benevolence –\$35.00; Building - \$20.00; Harvest Home - \$5.00; Total - \$714.00. Sunday School: Attendance – 10; Offering - \$11.00.

Total Offering at Mt. Joy **Total needed to meet the Budget**Difference

\$654.00

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Mt. Joy Organ Fund Total as of 10/11/2015-\$2130

TODAYWE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...

Those in Need: Melna Bailey, Joe Bell, Beverly Bishop, Don Coulson, Phil Davis, David Deatrick, Bob Flickinger, Margaret Frisbee, Terry Gardner, Seth Goldsmith, Kelly Greegor, John Grencik, Pat Henry, Patrick Henry, Stephen Henry, Brian Hobson, Michael John Hoke, Sue Huss, Janet Keffer, Guy Kehr, Joshua Kehr, Tom Kittinger, Elaine Kleptka, John Lefstad, Karen Miller, Nancy Nelson, Evelyn Parrish, Tonia Reichart, Betty Ridinger, Amy Schneider, Robert & Georgia Servant, John Shorb, Alice Skipworth, Ron Smith, Tom Smith, Wendy Sponseller, Michelle Stains, Kim Stanfford, Nancy Study, Lee Swope, David Waybright, Vicki Wenderlich, and Raleigh Weckbaugh.

Those who serve our nation in harm's way: Justin Hagarman, Megan Miller, Mark Norton (US Army), Sebastian Walling (USAF), Tim Sensel, Charles Cross 4th, Kolby Crouse, Nick Selby, Adam Crum and area police officers and fire fighters.

Those confined to their homes and those suffering with chronic illness:

Heidi Benner, Sandra and Robert Bentz, Ruby Crilley, Elsie Forney, Catherine Hall, John Hofe, Angela Huss, Kenneth Lambert, Mary Lambert, Alice and Earl Leese, Debbie Lenig, Evelyn Little, Sarah Marshall, Thomas and Florence Metz, Howard Mills, Thelma Mummert, Dale Pickett, Robert Reifsnider, Neil Rothhaupt, Arnie Seaman, Ruth Selby, Carolyn Small, Barbara Snyder, Larry Weckbaugh, Ray Wenderlich, and Vonnie Worley.

We want to thank a couple of key people for their contributions this day:

- John Ridinger for his work in restoring the main church sign.
- Douglas Heiges for donating and installing the plexiglass in the main sign as well as repairing the cracks on the walls and ceiling.
- Mary Beth Day for helping proofread and assemble the history books.
- Dawn Synder for painting the Anniversary plaque which hangs above the altar. Thanks also to Dawn, Lauire, Robin and Audrey for their work in the Memorial Garden.
- Bonnie J. Yingling for making and donating the 125th Anniversary Processional Banner.
- Rodney Yingling for donating and making the pole to display our outdoor Anniversary Banner.
- Connie Hawn for donating and making the anniversary Cake.
- Pastor Brad Dayett for preaching at our celebration today.

And for those who served on the 125th Anniversary Planning Team:

Kristina Rodgers
Ellen Rodgers
Colin Arnold
Colin Arnold
Sandy Kump
Shirley Staley
Pam Yingling
Kristina Servant
Stephanie Arnold
Pastor Matt Day

125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OCTOBER 25, 2015

10 a.m. - Service of Holy Communion and Anniversary Celebration of our Church Pastor Matthew A. Day - Presiding Pastor Brad Dayett - Preaching

12 p.m. - Celebration Luncheon at the Harney Fire Company with Recognition of Special Guests Sharing of Stories and Special Music