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**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost — September 18, 2016**

**LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship**

**WOV—With One Voice**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ringing of the Bell**

**PRELUDE**    (8:00 & 10:30) *Lord I Need You* -Praise Band  
                  (10:30) *Prelude and Dance* -Bell Choir

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**    *(you may remain seated...)*

P    Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God: the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

**C    Amen.**

P    Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
          God of overflowing grace,

**C    we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness.  
Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on  
fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from  
the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P    There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents. By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

**C    Amen**

**HYMN LBW # 463**    *God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens*

**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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P    God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C    Amen.**

(10:30) **Special Music:**    *Who Am I?*    -Living Spirit

**FIRST LESSON: Amos 8:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you that trample on the needy,  
          and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

<sup>5</sup>saying, "When will the new moon be over  
          so that we may sell grain;  
and the sabbath,

          so that we may offer wheat for sale?  
We will make the ephah small and the  
shekel great,

          and practice deceit with false balances,  
<sup>6</sup>buying the poor for silver

          and the needy for a pair of sandals,  
          and selling the sweepings of the  
wheat."

<sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of  
Jacob:

          Surely I will never forget any of their  
deeds.

**A    The Word of the Lord**

**C    Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 113**    -sung

**SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup>This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God; there is also one mediator between

God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself a ransom for all —this was attested at the right time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** ♪

Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Hale, halle, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**\* GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13** *(please stand as you are able)*

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. <sup>2</sup>So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' <sup>3</sup>Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master's debtors one by

one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup>He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' <sup>7</sup>Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' <sup>8</sup>And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome

you into the eternal homes.

<sup>10</sup>Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you

what is your own? <sup>13</sup>No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

P The Gospel of our Lord  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**HYMN WOV # 788** *Glory to God, Glory in the Highest* -sing twice  
congregation sings part that says "all"  
(8:00) leader - Seth Tonjes (10:30) leader - Ryan Kruse

**SERMON**

**HYMN WOV # 752** *Here I Am, Lord* *(you may remain seated)*

**\* APOSTLES' CREED** *(please stand as you are able)*

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

(8:00) *Who Am I?* -Living Spirit  
(10:30) *O Worship the King* -Bell Choir

**OFFERTORY** *(you may remain seated)* *All I Have Is Yours*  
Living Spirit will sing the opening verse.  
Congregation sings the chorus.

**THE PRAYERS** *(you may remain seated)*

A Rejoicing in the Spirit's work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

A Giver of the feast, bless your church and all who hunger and thirst. Nourish us richly with your word and meal, and send us as signs of your living presence in the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A Ruler of the earth, bring forth an abundant harvest from fields, orchards, and gardens. Renew fields that will soon lie fallow. Feed and protect all wild creatures. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of the nations, we pray for places in the world affected by conflict, war, and turmoil. We pray that your perfect peace and order be restored. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God our beginning and ending, we thank you for hope even in the midst of despair. Visit this assembly with your light and truth. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

A God of our silent tears, we remember the faithful departed who make up the great cloud of witnesses. Gather us all in praise around your throne. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P God of our weary years, we remember before you those among us who are sick or who are recovering from illness or surgery (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**C Amen**

**\* LORD'S PRAYER** *(please stand as you are able)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

**BENEDICTION**

**HYMN** *Go Now in Peace* -Living Spirit

**POSTLUDE** *Higher Ground*

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**On the radio**

A recording of last week's service will be broadcast this morning at 10:30 on WNDH 103.1 FM. This week's service will be broadcast next Sunday morning.

**Altar flowers**

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Terry & Ruth Hershberger in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**Wedding**

Congratulations and God's blessings to Mrs. & Mrs. Austin (Jessica Yaney) Cape who were married in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Edgerton yesterday!

### Newsletter

The deadline for the October newsletter is noon tomorrow!

### Statistics

9/08 (51) 9/11 75 + 122 (197) communed (81)

Simply Giving 9/05 - 09/11 \$130 Gen Fd; \$45 Bldg Fd; \$25 Wrld Hngr; \$25 Good Sam Fd

### This Week

Today	9:30 a.m.	Meeting of catechism parents
Monday	noon	newsletter deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Soul Food
	5:30 p.m.	Emanubells
	6:30 p.m.	Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Living Spirit
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Wedding rehearsal
Saturday	3:30 p.m.	Cordes/Rohrs Wedding

### Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello

Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes

Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning

Reader - 8:00 Laura Ellis 10:30 Joan Collier

Sound Board - 8:00 Maxine Eickhoff 10:30 Larry Ashbaugh

Acolytes - 8:00 Nate Brubaker & Jayce Brubaker

10:30 Carter Burken, Elijah Wolf

Ushers - 8:00 Bryce Reynolds, Steve Kloos, Ruth Hershberger, Terry Hershberger

10:30 Bob Ivancso, Bill Panning, Tom Schroeder, Denny Ehlers

Altar Guild - Sarah Yaney & Joyce Rohrs

Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

### Dartball

The start date for dartball is this Tuesday, September 20. Please contact Bill Panning at 419-966-6216 if you are still planning on playing or if you are interested in joining the team. Matches will start at 7:00 p.m.

### Catechism Parents Meeting

There will be an important meeting of the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents with the Pastor this morning at 9:30 a.m.

### Lutheran World Relief

On the Caring Corner table there are instructions on the different kits (Personal Care, Baby, Fabric, School). We are also in need of Drawstring backpacks to include with the School kits, and those instructions are on the Caring Corner table as well. If you don't sew or cannot be a part of the kit-making project, please consider donating to the Women of the Church to be donated to the LWR Quilt & Kit Shipping Fund. For every \$1 you give, someone in need receives \$8 worth of essential personal items. The kits must be turned in to the Caring Corner table, and monetary donations must be made by October 2, 2016. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Slee 419-966-4896. Monetary donations can be turned in to the church office.

### Caring Corner for September — Lutheran World Relief Kits

There are instruction sheets available on the Caring Corner table. Here is what is needed:

#### Personal Care Kit

one dark-colored light-weight bath towel (between 20x40" and 52x27")

2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap equaling 8-9 oz., any brand

one adult-size toothbrush one sturdy comb, wide-tooth preferred

one metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

#### Fabric Kit

2 spools of neutral-colored, general purpose thread 250-300 yards each

2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (NO knits of 100% polyester); each piece should match one of the sizes:

2¼ yards of 60" wide fabric 3 yards of 44" wide fabric 4 yards of 36" fabric

#### Baby Care Kit

2 lightweight cotton t-shirts (NO Onesies)

2 long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (WITHOUT feet)

2 receiving blankets 4 cloth diapers, flat fold preferred

1 jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with a hood or include a baby cap

2 pairs of socks 1 hand towel, dark color recommended

2 or 3 bath-size bars of gentle soap, 8-9 oz. 2 diaper pins or large safety pins

We may also need some of the (empty) school bags; we usually have the Sunday School kids help fill these bags with the school supplies collected through July & August. These kits, along with the quilts that have been sewn are delivered for shipment October 14/15.