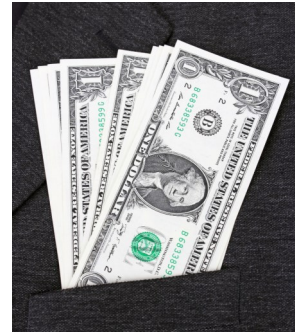


15th Sunday after Pentecost



GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk

Jim Schneider

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

"Take My Life that I May Be"

ELW 583

Greeting

Song

"Nothing Can Trouble"

ACS 1033

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"A Celtic Thanksgiving"

Chancel Choir

WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

Children's Message

Amos 8:4-7... Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵ 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 smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶ buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 113... Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD. ² Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore. ³ From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised. ⁴ The LORD is high above all nations and his glory above the heavens. ⁵ Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high, ⁶ who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? ⁷ He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, ⁸ to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. ⁹ He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD! Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 16:1-13... 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. ² 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.' ³ 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. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶ He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷ 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.' ⁸ 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. ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ “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. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³ 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message Pastor Heather Grell

Hymn of the Day

“Be Thou My Vision”

ELW 793

Prayers

Sharing God’s Peace

MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus

Offering

Special Music

Offertory

“More Precious Than Silver”

Words of Institution

“Remember Me”

Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Communion Songs

“Lovely Needy People”

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

Blessing

Sending Song

“Where Justice Rolls Down”

Dismissal

Postlude

Announcements

- ⇒ **Food Pantry** Our next food pantry is Saturday, October 1st from 8 to 9:30 am. [CLICK HERE](#) to help. Donations are needed! Our most pressing needs right now are cereal, soup, bar soap and toilet paper. The blue bin has been moved from the hallway to in front of the Food Pantry bulletin board in the narthex, for better visibility. To help with our inventory control please only put your donations in the blue bin. Thank you for your continued support of this vital community ministry.
- ⇒ **Prayer Shawls** If you have someone in your life who could use some extra comfort and prayers, please feel free to take a Prayer Shawl or Prayer Square from the display in the Narthex at any time.
- ⇒ **Centering Prayer Group** meets at Paula McDonald's house on Monday's at 1:00 pm. Wednesday prayer will resume in the fall.
- ⇒ **Fall Clean Up** Join us September 27th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm as we clean up the church and church grounds. We will be using this time to remove all the tree debris remaining in the parking area and using this time to remove unwanted or damaged items from the church. Dumpsters to be provided, just bring gloves.
- ⇒ **Free Outdoor Concert** Join us on the lawn for a fun evening of music and fellowship Sunday, October 5th at 4:00pm. Featuring Josh Hoyer, a singer/songwriter from Lincoln as seen on NBC's "The Voice", with musical style blends of soul, rock, and a dash of blues. Bring your own lawn chair, snacks and drinks.
- ⇒ **Pet Blessing** is Sunday, October 5th at 2:00 pm on the front lawn. Bring your cat, dog, reptile, and/or amphibian for a blessing. This is a rain or shine event. Watch Facebook for updates!
- ⇒ **Giving through Venmo** You can now support the ministries of Holy Cross via Venmo. Find us on Venmo @HolyCrossLutheran.

Calendar for Upcoming Week

Sunday, September 21

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troup 48012 Mtg

Monday, September 22

1:00 pm Centering Prayer
6:30 pm Boy Scouts
9:00 pm CMA Meeting

Tuesday, September 23

7:30 pm AA Meeting

Wednesday, September 24

12:30 pm Tai Chi Balance Class
6:00 pm Confirmation/Uke Choir
6:30 pm Youth Worship
7:00 pm Radical Ringers/Youth Group

Thursday, September 25

Newsletter Articles Due
6:30pm Carolan Bell Choir
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, September 26

1:00 pm Knitting

Saturday, September 27

9:00 am Fall Clean Up

Sunday, September 28

9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School/Adult Forum
10:50 am MS/HS Ensemble
11:00 am MS/HS Bell Choir
3:00 pm Girl Scout Troup 48012 Mtg

Prayer Requests from our Church Community

Member Concerns: Bev Williams; Chris Roberts; Gordon Schnack; Norm Firkins; Phyllis Beam; Donna McCoy; Connie Mertz.

On-Going Member Concerns: Edie Nabity at Hillcrest Papillion

Friends and Relatives: Savannah Barb, cousin of Emma & Geno Roberts; Sunrisa Lewis, friend of the Harvey family; Avery W.; Ken Gross, cousin of Julie Noteman; Josh Moreau, friend of Wendy Brenner's family; Nancy Bartell, sister-in-law of Peg Schneider; Michael Schadendorf, grandfather of Edith and Tanya Valandra; Erin Peters, daughter of Gail Ginger; Anna Victor, aunt of Jen Gitt; Dave Huggins, friend of Jim & Peg Schneider; Mya Calendar, daughter of Trisha Ryan; Carol Deditz, sister of Julie Noteman; Opal Calendar, foster granddaughter of Trisha Ryan; Kelsey Schneider, daughter of Jim & Peg Schneider; Theresa Ramelb, friend of Jacque Petersen; Shari Jensen, friend of Ed Krueger; Ronda Bayer, friend of Debbie Risinger; Debbie Haacke, coworker of Debbie Risinger; Linda Anderson, Barb Kay's sister; Aaron McDonald and Family and Caregivers, McDonald's grandson.

Grieving Jill Poole and her family as they mourn the death of her brother.