St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Our Mission Statement:

Living, Sharing & Celebrating Christ's Love in Our Community

Out of Respect for Other Worshipers

Please turn off or silence cell phones and electronic devices. Thank you.

COMMUNION PRACTICES: We invite members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregations and those who have made prior arrangements with the pastors to join our congregation at the Lord's Table. If you are not included in the above, you are requested to meet with the pastor prior to communing.

The Sixteenth Weekend after Pentecost Thursday, September 9 & Sunday, September 12, 2021 —Divine Service II

Hymn # 685....."Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

p.167 The Invocation through Confession and Absolution/Forgiveness

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

p. 172 The Salutation

The Collect of the Day

The First Lesson:

Isaiah 50:4-10

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. ⁹Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will

wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. ¹⁰ Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God.

p.173 The Alleluia

The Holy Gospel:

Mark 9:14-29

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. 16 And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. 18 And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." 19 And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³ And Jesus said to him, "'If things vou can'! All are possible for who believes." 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" 25 And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead," ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹ And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

Hymn of the Day # 849" Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" **The Sermon:** "A Prayer for Help"

Dan Decker, pastor

p.174 The Nicene Creed The Prayer of the Church Blessing of the Backpacks The Offering

God now invites us to . . . "bring the whole tithe into My Temple" (Malachi 3:10). In response to God's goodness to us as seen in the Cross of Christ, let us give this offering for the strengthening of God's people and the extension

of His Kingdom. Guests and visitors, please do not feel as though you must contribute. We are simply happy to have you worshiping with us.

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

pp.179-180 The Lord's Prayer through The Agnus Dei **Distribution**

[COMMUNION PRACTICES: You will be offered a communion packet, containing both the wafer and the wine. If you cannot use wine, please inform the server and you will be given a grape juice packet. May God bless your participation in the Holy Supper.]

Remember to Pick Up a Copy of the weekly "Opportunities" when you leave worship today.

Welcome in the name of Jesus! We're glad to have you join our fellowship of believers for our worship this day. Please give your name and address on the Friendship Registration so that we may send you more information about our church.



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