

## Pentecost 19– October 19, 2025

**Prelude**    *Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Prelude is played.*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Temple Talk**

**Harbor House-John Busa**

**Children's Sermon**

**Opening Hymn**

**What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

**ELW 742**

**Apostolic Greeting**

**L**    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.**

**This is the Feast Pg. 169**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Prayer of the Day**

**L**    The Lord be with you

**C**    **And also with you**

**L**    O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C**    **Amen**

**First Reading: Genesis 32: 22-31**

<sup>22</sup> The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup> He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup> Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup> Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup> So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup> Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup> Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup> So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." <sup>31</sup> The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**C**    **Thanks be to God!**

## Psalm 121

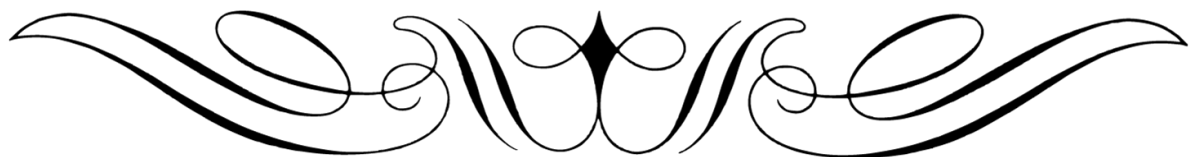
- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes <sup>1</sup> to the hills;  
from where is my <sup>1</sup> help to come?
- <sup>2</sup> **My help comes <sup>1</sup> from the LORD,**  
**the maker of heav- <sup>1</sup> en and earth.**
- <sup>3</sup> The LORD will not let your <sup>1</sup> foot be moved  
nor will the one who watches over you <sup>1</sup> fall asleep.
- <sup>4</sup> **Behold, the keep- <sup>1</sup> er of Israel**  
**will neither slum- <sup>1</sup> ber nor sleep;**
- <sup>5</sup> the LORD watches <sup>1</sup> over you;  
the LORD is your shade at <sup>1</sup> your right hand;
- <sup>6</sup> **the sun will not strike <sup>1</sup> you by day,**  
**nor the <sup>1</sup> moon by night.**
- <sup>7</sup> The LORD will preserve you <sup>1</sup> from all evil  
and will <sup>1</sup> keep your life.
- <sup>8</sup> **The LORD will watch over your going out and your <sup>1</sup> coming in,**  
**from this time forth for- <sup>1</sup> evermore.**

## Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4:1</sup> In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup> proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup> For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires <sup>4</sup> and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup> As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. Holy wisdom, holy word.

**C      Thanks be to God**



**Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel according to Luke 18<sup>th</sup> C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup> He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup> In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' <sup>4</sup> For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup> yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup> And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to you, O Christ**

### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

**Spread, Oh, Spread Almighty Word**

**ELW 663**

### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**



## Prayers of the People

L: The God of justice urges us to pray for our own needs and those of our neighbors. Let us lift our petitions with humble confidence.

AM: For all the baptized, faithful people of Christ, that we together may plead for justice and mercy for all who are facing oppression, violence, or any harm. Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For all the world's people, that they, too, may turn to God for relief from their suffering, and the blessing of justice and peace, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For our good land, that we may be grateful for its abundance, and careful in our stewardship of our common home, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For Harbor House, and all who benefit from its ministry, that they may be blessed by God, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For the youngest people of the earth, who often bear the worst burdens of wicked adult decisions, that they may be spared and that we may advocate for them, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For our own hearts, that we may be filled with gratitude and generosity in the face of God's grace and blessings. Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

L: May we trust in God's providential care for these and the needs we have lifted in silence. Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer. Amen**

## The Peace

L      The Peace of the Lord be with you all.                      C      **And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with one another. The Offering is received, and the table is prepared.*

## Anthem: Come Take the Body

**Text: 7th Cent Latin Hymn, translation by John M. Neale Music: Robert Lau**

Come take the body of the Lord, come drink the holy blood for you outpoured. Saved by that body, saved by that blood, we are refreshed and give our thanks to God. Salvation's giver, God's only Son, by his dear cross and blood the victory won, and he was offered there for great and least, himself the victim, himself the priest. The judge eternal, to whom we bow, all nations at the last, is with us now. Praise for the Father, praise to the Son, and praise to the Spirit, the Three in One, the Spirit. Come take the body, come take the body, the victory won.

## Offertory Hymn ELW 185 Create in Me a Clean Heart

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

*The Leader speaks the offertory Prayer*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

L The Lord be with you. C And also with you.  
L Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.  
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
L It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **Sanctus Pg. 173**

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

### **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

## **The Agnus Dei pg. 174**

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, grant us peace.

*All are warmly welcomed by Christ to his table and feast.*

## **Communion**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

### **Benediction**

L The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. C Amen.

Closing Hymn                      You Servants of God                      ELW 825

### **Dismissal**

AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. C Amen.

Postlude                      *Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Postlude is.*

***Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.***

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley  
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens  
Connie Aparo  
Phil Bascetta  
Kathleen Bowler

Cherie Brown  
Sharon Cable  
Cathy Ann Campbell  
Angelo & Nicole Capasso  
Carol Cianciolo  
Emma Cortina

Leif Dallaire  
Linda Dellano  
Carla Derrickson  
Winifried Diorio  
Irene Douglas  
J.J. Eby

Judy Elliott  
Walt Esker  
Jan Eucalitto  
Jennifer Ezzo  
Weston Faith

Bruce & Liz Falls  
Tommy Fitzpatrick  
Sherry Franceschetti  
Bob Frantz  
Ashley Friday

John Fox  
Joan Gerard  
Danise Hall  
Jack & Barbara Heintz

Brayden Herzberg  
Renate Higgins  
Charles Hilton  
Kathleen Hilton  
Shannon Hilton

Jake Hoadley  
Sven Holmgren  
Erma Horn  
Eunice Jones  
Colin Keeley

Marilyn Killingbeck  
Jason Lashbrook  
Gail Lavoie  
John Lewis

David Little  
Rebecca Little  
Amy & Dave Louen  
Michael Maccalous  
Kari Machowski  
Mary Ellen Mackinnon

Jerry MacManus  
Irene Madore  
Audrey Marquard  
Abigail Marine  
Eric Marine

Richard Marine  
Janis Martin  
Gil & Marilyn Martin  
Gladys Medina  
Michael Meyers

Kate Merrow  
Colin Moore  
Brigitte Mueller  
Barbara Nalette  
Karen Ness

Tom O'Brien  
Lea Orriola & family  
Karen Pagano  
Russell Palmer  
Maria Payne  
Lisa & Dennis Polzun  
Caroline Quintal  
Ed & Susan Regner  
Jonathan Richard  
Louise Roche  
Patricia & Richard Sawitzke

Holly Schaff  
Rosemary & Otto Schibi  
Denae Seelye  
Matt Simpson  
Lori Sola  
Dana Steele

Sigrid Smitley  
Paul Smith  
Arlene Soja  
John Sproat  
Dana & George Steele  
Jennifer Stella

Deb & Jon Sterling  
Tom Sterling Sr.

RuthAnn Stone  
Patricia Switzer  
Gloria Thibault  
Andy Thomas  
Julia Thompson Carroll  
Kyle Thurlough & family  
Susan Tyciensi  
Carol Vrlík

Steve Warner  
Sue Watkins  
Renee Woodard  
Clayton Young  
Clarence & Priscilla  
Ed

Jen O.  
Jaiden  
Steve  
Lou W.

Steve  
Todd  
Robert K.  
Diane A.  
Terry

Joe  
Carol G.  
Kristen & Jared  
Vinny  
Hagbard

Carolina  
Robert P.  
Peanut  
Colleen  
Ken

Kathy  
Jaxson  
Gail  
F.C.H.  
Chantel

Stephan  
Jason R  
Baby Wesley  
Diane L.

**Harry Stone, Family and  
Friends of**  
Doris Fenn

**Family and Friends of**  
Kathleen Patterson

### **Our Nursing Home Members**

Dee Gammon  
Midge Rosenbeck  
Judy Schaller  
Ernest Marquard  
Mae Fay  
Francine Ahrens  
Dennis Nalette

### **Our Military Friends**

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn  
Eric Beyus  
Major Zachary Fulton  
Brandan Holbrook  
Jonathan Connell  
Tom Gregg, Jr.  
Eric Bremer  
Peter Hutchinson  
SPC Dominic Boscarino  
PVT Noah Braatz  
PVT 2 Christian Braatz  
Aiden Avenia USCG  
2nd Lt. Ben Speaker  
Pvt. Noah Roy

## Around the Church

| Event           | Date  | Time |
|-----------------|-------|------|
| WELCA           | 10/27 | 7 pm |
| Finance Meeting | 11/5  | 6 pm |
| Council         | 11/10 | 7 pm |

Yankee Chorale every Tuesday at 7 pm

Bible Study Tuesday via Zoom

Tuesdays 6:00 pm

In person Bible Study Wednesdays

10:00 am

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays

Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays

### Offerings Summary:

|                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Needed Weekly</b> | <b>\$4,561</b>    |
| <b>Received</b>      | <b>\$4,528</b>    |
| <b>Shortfall</b>     | <b>(\$33)</b>     |
| <b>YTD shortfall</b> | <b>(\$55,209)</b> |

Also in October is the Reformation 508 Food Drive! Please help where you can!



Names needed for the  
**All Saints List.** Please email  
the name of your loved ones  
that have passed in the last  
year to the office by  
October 27. Thank you!

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During the month of October help decorate the tree in the Narthex with donations of socks in all sizes and shapes. The socks will be donated at the end of the month to local service agencies. The event is sponsored by the Chris Ed and Social Concerns

## Quilt Drawing \$10 ea.



**Tickets sold on Sunday Mornings**  
**100% of the proceeds goes to**  
**St. Paul's General Fund**  
**Drawing 11/1/2024 @ the Fall Fair.**  
*Need not be present at the drawing.*

**The quilt was made by the  
St. Paul's Quilting Crew!**

# Trunk or Treat @ St. Paul's!

**Sunday, October 26, 2024**  
**2:00 to 3:30 pm**  
 Rain or shine!

*All are welcome regardless of tradition,  
background, or religious affiliation.*

**This is a family event so  
not-so-scary costumes only please.**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
 837 Charles Street, Torrington

860-482-3555  
[www.stpaulstorrington.com](http://www.stpaulstorrington.com)

## FALL FAIR

**Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**9:00am – 3:00pm**

**Handmade Crafts,  
Artisans Market  
Soup & Sandwich Lunch,  
Bake Sale, Theme Baskets  
and More!**

**For info: 860-482-3555**

