On this day we thank the Holy Spirit who has called us into this fellowship of believers in Christ. May we remember that we were all blind beggars saved by Jesus' mercy, so that we now follow Him all the way to heaven by God's grace. We welcome everyone to God's house today!

<u>There is a Cry Room</u> available for use during our worship service. It is located just outside the sanctuary.

<u>Children Leaving the Sanctuary:</u> This is a matter of caring concern for your child, or the young child that you are responsible for, age 13 or younger. The Board of Lay Ministry asks that if your child needs to leave the sanctuary during the worship service, you as a parent or responsible adult will need to escort them to and from the sanctuary. Thank you

The Lord's Supper is a very special privilege God gives to His people. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymn 538

Praise Be to Christ

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P In the name of the Father and of the \top Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- \mathcal{C} Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- ${\cal C}$ But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- \mathcal{C} Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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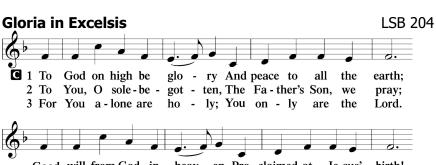
- P Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
- C O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
- P O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
- C I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.
- P But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;

- C like a weaned child is my soul within me.
- P O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

- P Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
- C O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

⁷ Thus says the Lord: "Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' ⁸Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn."

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- \mathcal{C} Thanks be to God.

Gradual

- P He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- ${\cal C}$ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Epistle Hebrews 7:23–28

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴but He holds His priesthood permanently, because He continues forever. ²⁵Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, since He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. ²⁸For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- \mathcal{C} Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse







Holy Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. And as Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of

David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." ⁵⁰And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." ⁵²And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

 ${\cal C}$ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ⊤ of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 715

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

Text Mark 10:46–52

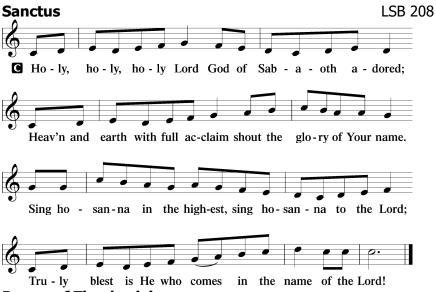
Sermon "Seeing Discipleship" 1. The true disciple was always first_______. 2. Jesus' mercy on the blind beggar ______. 3. The one who, now seeing, follows in Jesus' way – that is ______. (52b) Hymn 915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us

Prayers

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface LSB 208

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



Praver of Thanksgiving

Р Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and

Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

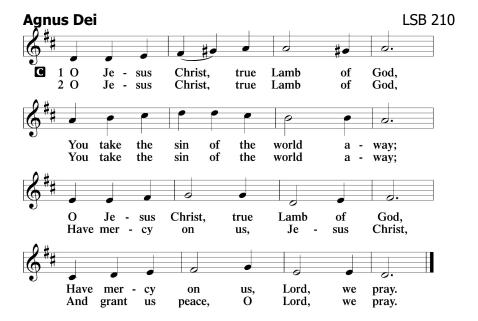
Lord's Prayer

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 Words of Our Lord

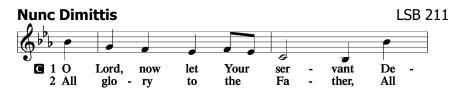
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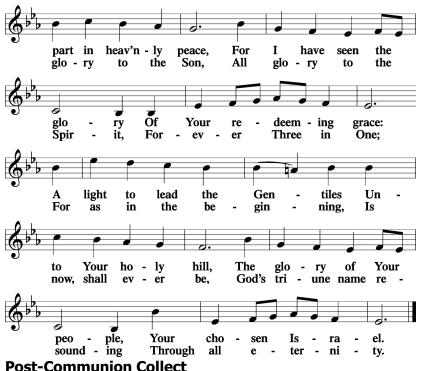
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



Communion Hymns

Hymn 623 Hymn 617 Hymn 633 Hymn 643 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray
O Lord, We Praise Thee
At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
Sent Forth by God's Blessing





Post-Communion Com

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

 \mathcal{C} Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn 528

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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<u>ALTAR FLOWERS:</u> Today's altar flowers are in memory of Ruby Unsicker and were provided by Tammy & Larry Britt

BUDGET

Operating budget fund balance as of October 21, 2021 - \$98,400 This amount represents just over 7 weeks of normal day-to-day expenses of the Church and School ministries.

Calendar of Events

TODAY	October 24, 2021
Sunday School & Bible Classes	8:30 am
Worship Service with Communion	9:30 am
TUES:	
Evangelism Board delivering Welcome Bags	4:00 pm
Prayer Meeting	7:00 pm
WED:	
Day School & Preschool Chapel	11:00 am
6-7 grade Confirmation	6:00 pm
Life Light Bible Study	6:45 pm
8 th grade Confirmation	
THUR:	•
Life Light Bible Study	9:00 am
Board of Lay Ministry Meeting	6:30 pm
FRI:	•
Hope Ministries	4:00 pm
NEXT SUNDAY	_
Sunday School & Bible Classes	
Worship Service	

Bell Choir Practice	5:00	pm
Adult Choir Practice.	6:00	pm

Liturgical Corner

Worship Component: Salutation

Scriptural Basis: 2 Tim. 4:22, Ruth 2:4, Judges 6:12, Luke 1:28

Meaning: The salutation is found all through the Scriptures. The pastor stands before the congregation as Christ's servant. As the Lord's servant, he speaks God's peace to the congregation. As the congregation responds with "and also with you," they affirm his call and vocation with respect and Christian love.

Application for Daily Living: This is an excellent greeting when you meet brothers and sisters in Christ at church or in the community.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD FROM HIS BLESSINGS TO US

One of the changes brought about due to the Covid-19 virus outbreak was using an "offering box" in the narthex of the church in front of the water fountains instead of passing an offering plate during the worship service. Please remember to give back to the Lord from the many blessings He gives us by placing your offering in the offering box or "etithing" by having a weekly deposit to St Paul's from your bank account. If you have questions on e-tithing, please contact the Church Office.

SEARCH FOR TEACHERS

St. Paul's has been blessed to have three church members step in to fill needs within our school: Heidi Wildauer (with an Emergency Teacher Certificate) as 2nd and 3rd Grade teacher, Wendy Coxey as a half-day First Grade teacher, and Barb Middaugh as an Extended Care assistant. It is not intended that they fulfill these roles long-term. We also are in need of a <u>full-time substitute for K-1</u>, to cover maternity leave. **Therefore**, we are still actively searching for a <u>full-time 2nd and 3rd Grade teacher</u>, <u>part-time 1st Grade teacher</u>, and a <u>full-time maternity substitute for K-1st</u>. Interested applicants send resume to Principal Mark Wildauer at mwildauer@stpaulsbremen.org.

<u>Hope Ministries Dinner</u> takes place on Friday, October 29th. We need cookie, bars, cakes, or desserts in disposable containers at church by noon on the 29th. Please help us serve our neighbors by providing this part of the meal – Parrish Fellowship will be providing the main meal which is supported by Thrivent. Thank you for your help!

1st Thursday Bible Study, November 4th, at church, 6:00 p.m.

LWML Ingathering, through Thanksgiving, for Ft. Wayne Seminary Co-op: non-perishable food; diapers; hygiene items. Thank you in advance.

Fall Work Day – The Board of Church Properties is having a fall work day on November 13th from 9:00 – when the work is done. Bring yard tools. Everyone is encouraged to come and lend a helping hand.

The Evangelism Board is still collecting dish clothes and scrubbies for welcome bags! There is a basket in the narthex to drop off your finished knit or crocheted cloths or you can call Deb Burcham (220-5745) for pick up. Thank you to all who have been working on this project! Welcome bags will be delivered starting Tuesday, October 26th at 4 pm. We could use your help! Please meet at church at 4pm to receive bags and instructions! If you have a new neighbor and would like to deliver a bag to them let us know and we will get you a bag!!

YOUTH NEWS

"RENT A YOUTH": Youth planning to attend next year's National Youth Gathering are offering their services on Saturday, November 6th to members of the congregation. If you need help with fall yard cleanup, moving furniture, cleaning up the garage, or another household task, the Youth are ready, willing, and able. Please contact Andy Wildauer ahead of time at (801) 707-3399 to review what task you have and for scheduling purposes – Youth will be available individually or in small groups depending on what is needed. This is on a first come, first served basis and subject to final determination by the Youth Board. We respectfully request that you consider a free will offering in exchange for any services provided.



PTL would like to invite you to "Trunk or Treat" for community fellowship and fun! OCTOBER 30^{TH} from 5:30 - 7:30 pm

IF you are interested in **decorating a car** please sign up on the Check- It – Out Board or contact Jennifer Harman, 574.210.2103.

Donations of candy would also be appreciated! (There is a box in the Narthex)

Servants for Today's Worship

Pastor: Rev. Neil Wonnacott Organist: Anita Eichinger

Ushers: Mark Wildauer & Austin Nielsen

Acolyte: Molly Harman Elder: Rod Schroeder

Communion Assistant: Terry Miller