

**It
depends
on
faith.**

Romans 4:16



Second Sunday after Pentecost
June 11, 2023 • 10:30AM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost” Buxtehude

The Ten Commandments *Please stand.*

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

- ¹You shall have no other gods before me.**
- ²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**
- ³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**
- ⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**
- ⁵You shall not kill.**
- ⁶You shall not commit adultery.**
- ⁷You shall not steal.**
- ⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**
- ⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor’s house.**
- ¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

Confession and Absolution

Hymn: “Chief of Sinners, though I Be”

Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Leader:



Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:



And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,



we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,



O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
For you are holy; you on - ly are the Lord; You only, O Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

O God, you are the protector of all who trust in you, and beside you, nothing is strong or holy. Multiply your mercy and guide us that while using the good things of this fleeting life, we do not lose hold of the things that endure forever. Grant this, we pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever one God.

Please be seated.

A - men.

First Lesson: Hosea 5:15-6:6

¹⁵I will return again to my place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face, and in their distress earnestly seek me.

¹⁶"Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth."

⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 119:65-72

⁶⁵O LORD, you have dealt graciously | with your servant,
according | to your word.

⁶⁶**Teach me discern- | ment and knowledge,
for I have believed | in your commandments.**

⁶⁷Before I was afflicted I | went astray,
but now I | keep your word.

⁶⁸**You are good and you | bring forth good;
instruct me | in your statutes.**

⁶⁹The proud have smeared | me with lies,
but I will keep your commandments with | my whole heart.

⁷⁰**Their heart is | gross and fat,
but my delight is | in your law.**

⁷¹It is good for me that I have | been afflicted,
that I might | learn your statutes.

⁷²**The law of your mouth is dear- | er to me
than thousands in | gold and silver.**

Second Lesson: Romans 4:13-25

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. ¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring — not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations” — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God. ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord.

Offering

Anthem: “How Can I Keep from Singing?”

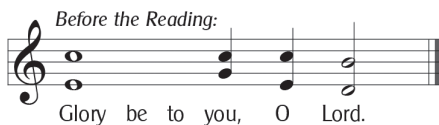
Laura Brock

Gospel Acclamation *Please stand for the Gospel.*

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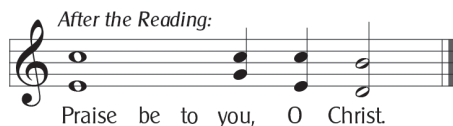
The Gospel is written in the 9th chapter of Matthew.



Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

⁹As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him. ¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Children's Chat

Sermon

Rev. Scott Licht

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult"

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

Amen

Exhortation

Preface and Sanctus

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The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It is divided into two parts: 'Leader' and 'Congregation'. The Leader's part consists of a melodic line with eighth and quarter notes. The Congregation's part consists of a harmonic line with quarter and half notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes.

Leader Congregation

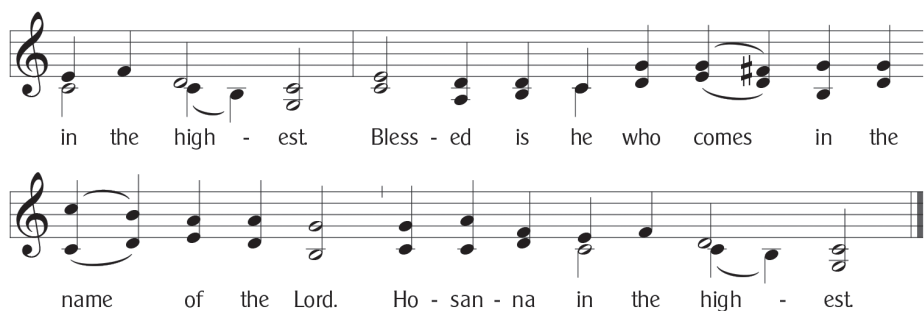
The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it



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, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our Lord and Savior, who ascending above the heavens and sitting at your right hand, poured out the Holy Spirit as he had promised upon the chosen disciples, causing the whole earth to rejoice.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you, and saying:





The Lord's Prayer

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹**hallowed be thy name,**

²**thy kingdom come,**

³**thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

⁴**Give us this day our daily bread;**

⁵**and forgive us our trespasses,**

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

⁶**and lead us not into temptation,**

⁷**but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
of the world, have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
grant us peace. A - - - - - men.

Distribution of Communion

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Remain seated after the distribution.

May the body and precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Nunc Dimittus

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,

As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Thanksgiving

We thank and praise you, almighty and loving Father, for feeding us with the body and blood of your beloved son, Jesus Christ. Having received this holy Sacrament with our mouths, may our faith in you apprehend and enjoy your grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ and his Church, and everlasting life. Send your Holy Spirit to remind us of these promises throughout the week, and keep us in the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benedicamus

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Leader: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Leader: Congregation:

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Trumpet Tune in D Major"

Westenkuehler

We remain seated, worshipping silently during the postlude, standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross, now at the rear of the sanctuary.

Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

Congregation:

A - men.

June 23–25, 2023

Living Water VBS

Friday, 5:30 (registration)–8:00pm

Saturday, 9:30am (registration)–3:00pm

Sunday, 10:00am–4:00pm

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Recent prayer needs:

- Edna Chapman – Lexington Healthcare
- Grady Earnhardt – Autumn Care
- Kelly Gainey – Home
- Sarah Goodman – Big Elm Rehab, Kannapolis
- Della Jenkins – The Greens at Cabarrus
- Ray Mongold (son of Dottie Stancil) – Hospital/ICU
- Lisa Phelps – Health concerns
- Terri Powlas – Medical concerns
- George Reese – Recovering from surgery
- Wayne Taylor – Recovering from surgery

Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs for members, homebound, family, and friends.

Stewardship

General Fund Offering (6/4)	\$8,842
Other Offering (6/4)	\$2,413
Children’s Mission (Lutherans for Life)	\$1,477
Sunday School Attendance (6/4)	51

*The church office is sure this is not the correct number, as
an adult Sunday School class did not record their attendance.*

Worship Attendance (6/4)	184
General Fund YTD Receipts as of (6/4)	\$185,884
General Fund YTD Budget as of (6/4)	\$218,044

Sunday, June 11

- Today, Rev. Scott Licht, CFO/COO of Lutherans for Life, will bring the message, telling us more about the mission our children have been taking up the loose change offering for this quarter.
- Lutheran Women Called Meeting, following worship (right transept)
- Vespers at the Parsonage—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm will also be live-streamed to our Facebook page.

Tuesday, June 13

- Bonnie Bost Circle, 7pm
- Executive Committee, 7pm

Wednesday, June 14

- Adult Choir practice, 6:30pm

Thursday, June 15

- Bible Study, 6pm

Sunday, June 18

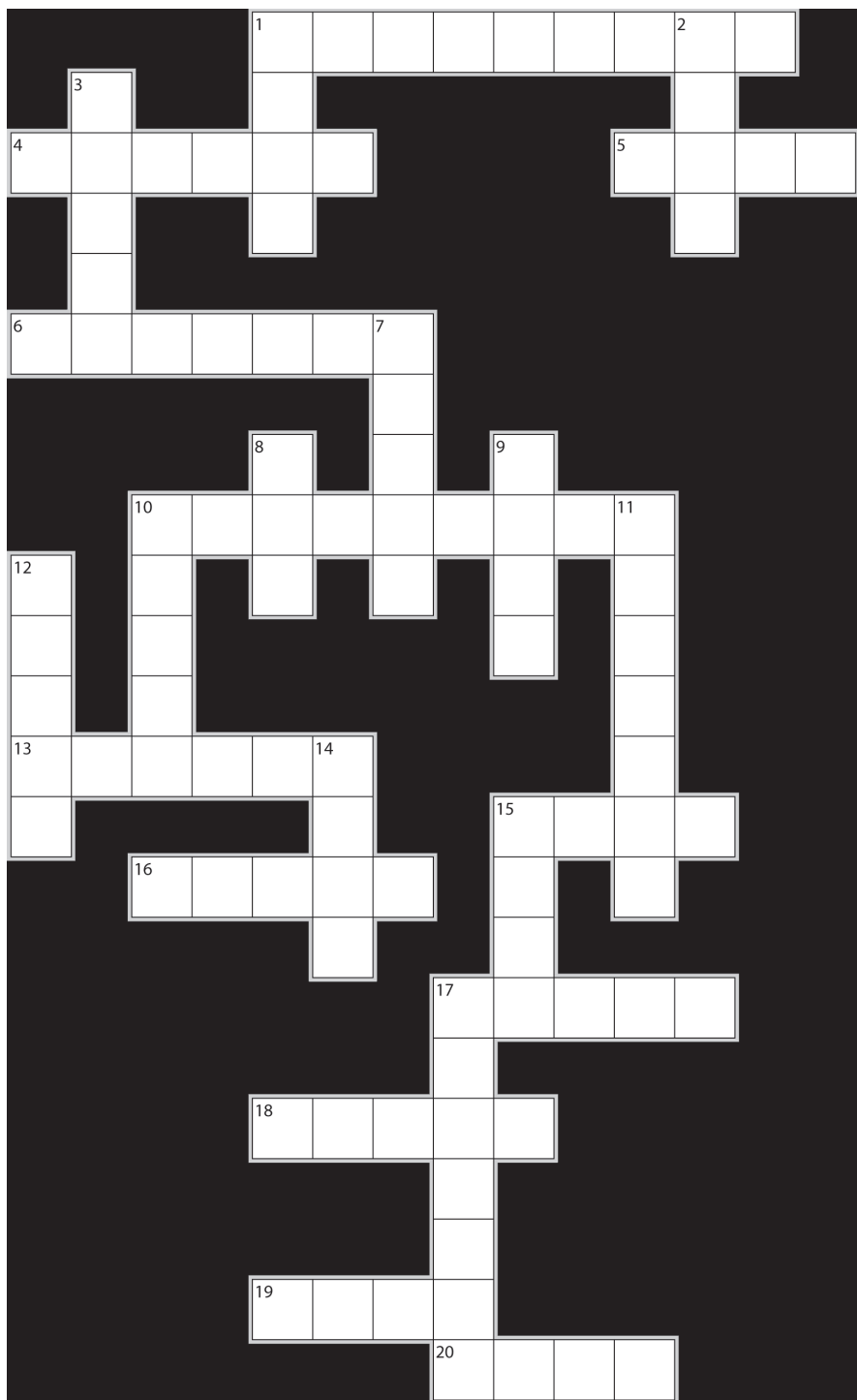
- Father's Day
- Vespers at the Parsonage—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm will also be live-streamed to our Facebook page.

Lutheran Women

There is a called meeting of the Lutheran Women today, June 11, immediately following worship in the right transept of the church.

The new email address for the church office is
secretary@stpaulslutheran.church.

The former email address, splchurch@att.net, is going away.
Emails sent to that address may not be seen.



Pentecost 2, Year A

*Find the answers in today's four Scripture lessons.
It may help with the Psalm if you use the English Standard Version
instead of the old Psalter in the bulletin.*

ACROSS

1. God desires these instead of burnt offerings.
4. Jesus told Matthew to do this.
5. The psalmist regards the law as better than...
6. Abe is the father of many of these.
10. The did not challenge Jesus directly.
13. Name of Second Lesson Epistle
15. Let us return to him.
16. The promise must rest on this.
17. Jesus desired this.
18. It depends on this.
19. Abraham believed in hope against this.
20. The psalmist now keeps this.

DOWN

1. Press on to...
2. The kind of judgment we should be taught
3. Name of the book for First Lesson
7. What God has done with the words of his mouth
8. The psalmist delights in this.
9. God gives life to them.
10. Name of the book from which we chant
11. Tax collectors were at the meal, as well as many of these folks.
12. The psalmist keeps God's precepts with this organ.
14. They need a physician.
15. What God desires instead of sacrifice
17. Name of the Gospel Lesson

Dining with Sinners

Find the 25 **bold** words from Matthew 9:9–13.

T I Q S H W B O O T H M X H S
O D S R E E S T F P Y A Q C E
Y S T E A H N A A O T H R S L
U L O N L T S Y C U L E S S P
Y N O N T T B U A R C L E F I
S N D I H A B B O L I E O X C
B R D S Y M Z O I E S F Y W S
Q A O K B A F N M I T N I H I
C E T T I E E W R S E H E C D
O L Z G C D K A W E U R G A E
M E R C Y E H C D L I S X I T
E L B A T P L G I S G S E C R
M B W N B S P L E S A F A J F
T E A C H E R D O P N L Y S C
N A I C I S Y H P C L M Z B P

As **Jesus** passed by from there, he saw a man named **Matthew** sitting at the **tax booth**, and he said to him, “**Follow** me.” And he **stood** up and followed him. And it came to pass, as he **reclined** at **table** in the house, behold, many tax **collectors** and sinners came and reclined with Jesus and his **disciples**. And when the **Pharisees** saw it, they said to his disciples, “Why does your **teacher eat** with the tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard it, he said, “It is not those who are **healthy** who **need** a **physician**, but those who are **sick**. But go and **learn** what this means, ‘I **desire mercy**, and not **sacrifice**.’ For I did not **come** to **call** the **righteous**, but **sinners**.”



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Next Sunday's Lessons: Exodus 19:2-8; Psalm 100; Romans 5:6-15; Matthew 9:35-10:20

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