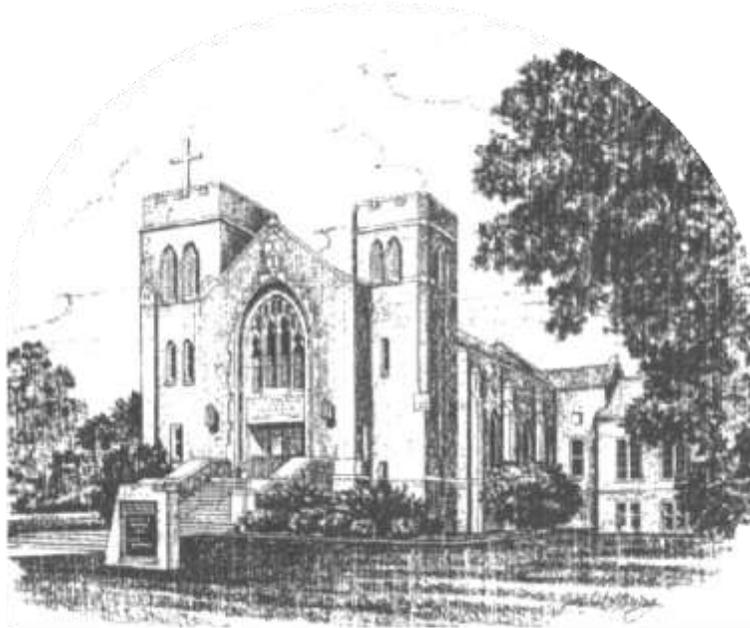


St. Paul Lutheran Church
Yorktown, Texas



Saturday and Sunday
Holy Communion Services
15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 2020

Silent Prayer

"Get out of bed, sleepy head," we heard a voice say: an alarm clock, a mother or father, a husband or wife, an excited child. "Eat breakfast," "get dressed," "hurry up - let's go", the voices prodded us, Lord. And so, we are here. But are we really? Wake us up, God. Really! WAKE US UP! Amen.

PRELUDE

***GATHERING HYMN** "When Morning Gilds the Skies" (vs. 1-4) **LBW #546**

When Morning Gilds the Skies



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
 2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:
 3 To him, my highest and best, I sing, when love pos - sessed:
 4 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known



may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
 may Je - sus Christ be praised! What - e'er my hands be - gin,
 than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word



this rings my cur - few call: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 has none that can com - pare with "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
 this bless - ing shall break in: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
 the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!

5 Let all of humankind
 in this their concord find:
 may Jesus Christ be praised!
 Let all the earth around
 ring joyous with the sound:
 may Jesus Christ be praised!

6 Sing, sun and stars of space,
 sing, all who see his face,
 sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!"
 God's whole creation o'er,
 today and evermore,
 shall Jesus Christ be praised!

Text: German hymn, 19th cent.; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844–1930, alt.
 Music: LAUDES DOMINI, Joseph Barnby, 1838–1896

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS *Please take a moment to fill out an Attendance Card. You may leave them in the pew by the center aisle or drop them in the basket at the church entrance. (*) Indicates times in worship when you are invited to stand as you are able. (+) Indicates when it may be appropriate to make the sign of the cross.*

***GREETING and DIALOGUE**

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.

L: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C: a people holy to the LORD our God.

L: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

L: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

L: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and + remission of all your sins.

C: Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.

C: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity.

Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN

“Glories of Your Name Are Spoken”

LBW #358

Glories of Your Name Are Spoken



1 Glo - ries of your name are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.
Music: AUSTRIA, Franz Joseph Haydn, 1732–1809

FIRST LESSON Genesis 50:15-21

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 103:1-13

¹Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

²**Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits.**

³He forgives all your sins
and heals all your infirmities;

⁴**he redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with mercy and lovingkindness;**

⁵he satisfies you with good things,
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶**The LORD executes righteousness
and judgment for all who are oppressed.**

⁷He made his ways known to Moses
and his works to the children of Israel.

⁸**The LORD is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.**

⁹He will not always accuse us,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

¹⁰**He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**

¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.

¹²**As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our sins from us.**

¹³As a father cares for his children,
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

SECOND LESSON Romans 14:1-12

Lector: A reading from _____.

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions.

²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***ALLELUIA VERSE** (*Sung Twice*)

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

***GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35**

P: The Holy Gospel according to _____, the _____ chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹Peter came and said to [Jesus], “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves

who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’²⁹ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.³¹ When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN of the DAY

“Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

LBW #306

Chief of Sinners though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his blood for me,
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love! High - er than the heav'ns a - bove,
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part balm to heal the wound - ed heart,
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;
 5 O my Sav - ior, help af - ford by your Spir - it and your word!



died that I might live on high, lives that I might nev - er die.
 deep - er than the depths of sea, last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty.
 peace that flows from sin for - giv'n, joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
 all my wants to him are known, all my sor - rows are his own.
 When my way - ward heart would stray, keep me in the nar - row way;



As the branch is to the vine, I am his, and he is mine.
 Love that found me—won-drous thought—found me when I sought him not.
 faith and hope to walk with God in the way that E - noch trod.
 He sus - tains the hid - den life safe with him from earth - ly strife.
 grace in time of need sup - ply while I live and when I die.

Text: William McComb, 1793–c. 1870
 Music: GETHSEMANE, Richard Redhead, 1820–1901

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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 catholic 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.**

***PRAYERS**

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

L: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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.**

DISTRIBUTION of the ELEMENTS

All those who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome at His table. Those who are unable to receive communion, for any reason, may come forward to receive a blessing, and may indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. Parents, please indicate if children are to receive communion. If they are not yet receiving communion, children are encouraged to come to the table to receive a blessing. Available in the center of each tray is juice for those choosing not to drink wine. If you are unable to come to the altar and wish to receive communion, please inform the ushers so that the sacrament may be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: “Lamb of God”



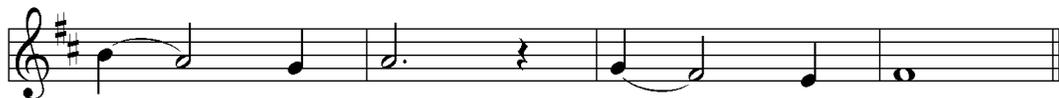
☐ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with spiritual food, the body and blood of Christ. All who come to you will not hunger, all who believe in you will not thirst. Empowered by this sacrament, send us back into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to share the gospel and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BLESSING** *Numbers 6:23-26*

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 + give you peace.

C: Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

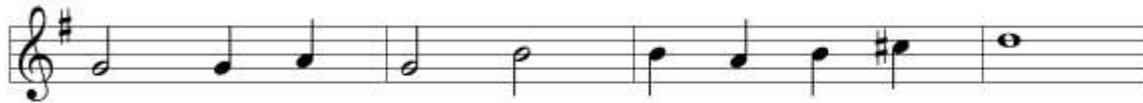
“Savior, Again to Your Dear Name”

LBW #262

Savior, Again to Your Dear Name



1 Sav - ior, a - gain to your dear name we raise
2 Grant us your peace up - on our home - ward way;
3 Grant us your peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
4 Grant us your peace through - out our earth - ly life,



with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
with you be - gan, with you shall end the day;
for us trans - form its dark - ness in - to light.
our balm in sor - row, and our stay in strife;



once more we bless you ere our wor - ship cease,
guard all the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
Keep us from harm and dan - ger till the dawn;
then, when your voice shall bid our con - flict cease,



then, low - ly bend - ing, wait your word of peace.
that in this house have called up - on your name.
your eve - ning pres - ence prom - ise to your own.
call us, O Lord, to your e - ter - nal peace.

Text: John Ellerton, 1826–1893, alt.

Music: ELLERS, Edward J. Hopkins, 1818–1901; arr. Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900

***DISMISSAL**

P: As you go forth into the world to serve God with gladness, be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Reprinted from Lutheran Book of Worship, copyright 1978. Used by permission of Augsburg Fortress License #11879-S
Pentecost 2020 – Setting 2 LBW

ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN
15th Sunday after Pentecost
Saturday, September 12, 2020 – 5:00 PM
Sunday, September 13, 2020 - 9:00 AM

HELPING with WORSHIP SERVICES

Pastor: Tim W Muehlbrad **Reader:** Trent Foerster
Musicians: Saturday – Renae Pierce Sunday – Luellen Smiley

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 – 9:00 AM SERVICE

Reader: Larry Gohmert
Musicians: Saturday – Luellen Smiley Sunday – Beverly Bruns

Helping with Worship during the month of September:

Head Usher: Dennis Henze
Ushers: Fred Hahn, Walker Innocenti, Steven Kneese, Travis Peyton
Altar Guild: Penny Sievers & Karen Dueser
Saturday Altar Guild: John Dale Hurst

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED DURING THE WEEK:

Thank you to all who have been helpful in keeping the Pastor informed of members who are hospitalized.

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S PEOPLE Below is a list of individuals Pastor has been asked to include in our prayers during worship. We list these people in our bulletin to encourage you, the members, to include them in your daily prayers. *Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the request is renewed.*

Ann Adix	Bernice Geffert	Michael Pattillo
Bishop Emeritus John Bradosky	Daniel Goehring	Victor Riske
Katherine Brown	Philip Hoefling	Laurie Seifert
JoAnn Cornelius	Dillan Johnson	Arvid Sievers
Carol Donovan	Seth Johnson	David Stern
Bli Dugi	Lois Kelch	The Stern Family
Dr. Daniel Dugi	Susan Kelly	Marj Wilhelmsen
Mario Garcia	Cole Ohrt	Family of Barbara Yanta

ST. PAUL OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK:

Sunday (13th)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:30 am	Confirmation Class
	6:00 pm	AA Meeting
Wednesday (16th)	6:00 pm	AA Meeting
Saturday (19th)	5:00 pm	Worship w/ Holy Communion in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday (20th)	9:00 am	Worship with Holy Communion
	6:00 pm	AA Meeting

SYMPATHY --We keep in our prayers the family and friends of Ernell Niemeier. May the power of the resurrection give assurance to her family and friends as Ernell joins the Church Triumphant.

RADIO BROADCAST in Memory of Ernell Niemeier, given to the Glory of God by Dr. John & Kathy Frels.

A "Tiny Library" containing children's books sponsored by the Victoria County United Way will be made available for congregation members, TLG Families, and the Yorktown community. The Reading Nook will be placed in the Educational Building entrance by the display case.

A Flu Vaccine Clinic will be held for the community on Wednesday, October 7th in the Fellowship Hall from 4:00-6:00 PM. The vaccine will be free to Medicare recipients and at a nominal fee for all others.

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE UTMOST SAFETY and well-being to our congregation members, staff, and visitors, we have decided to once again close the church office. If you are needing immediate assistance please feel free to give us a call:

Pastor Tim: 512-922-6217

Youth Director, Nicholas: 571-992-8655

Secretary, Katie: 361-491-1579

Everyone's safety at this time is our priority and we appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you!

JUST A REMINDER....Sunday School is suspended at this time until further notice.

DRIVE THROUGH HOLY COMMUNION. Immediately following the Sunday morning worship service until 10:30, Holy Communion will be distributed at the driveway by the elevator.

BROADCAST OF OUR SUNDAY SERVICE at 9:00 AM is at 100.1 FM, or you can listen to the livestream on the internet. The easiest way to get to the livestream is on our church website: www.stpaulykt.org and click on the Shoutcast link in the middle of the webpage.

WORSHIP BULLETINS and Announcements are available in various places: on our church website: www.stpaulykt.org, in the container on the porch at the Educational Building entrance, at the Sanctuary entrances on Sunday mornings, and the Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH IS NOW OFFERING EGIVING! In addition to the other ways of giving, a new option is available, Visit our website at www.stpaulykt.org and click on the link eGiving and it will lead you through process. For more information, call the church office at 361-564-2135.

GROCERY PICK-UP -- Should anyone need groceries but do not feel comfortable with going outside please let St. Paul know so Nicholas, or a volunteer, can go shopping on your behalf. Nicholas can be reached through the church phone (361-564-2135), email, (dceNicholas@gmail.com) or through FB messenger on our Facebook Page.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

PO Box 245 – 234 N Gohmert St.

Yorktown, Texas 78164

www.stpaulykt.org e-mail: stpaulykt@sbcglobal.net

361.564.2135 (Office)

9 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast: 100.1 FM

Pastor – Tim W Muehlbrad

Director of Youth & Family – Nicholas Requejo