

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 9th, 2022



Gethsemane Lutheran Church  
3600 Hampton - St. Louis, MO 63109

*Welcome to worship! We're delighted you are here!*



Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a *Reconciling in Christ* Congregation. **You are welcome here.**



We ask all members, guests, and visitors to please fill out the **attendance slip** in your worship folder and place it in the offering plate.



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Committed to the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger, Gethsemane is a *Bread for the World* and *ONE* congregation.



The presence, energy, and noise of **children** are always welcome in worship at Gethsemane. The sound of a child in worship is music to our ears. We welcome and encourage kids to move and play. Additional space to move and Wiggle Bags are located in the narthex entry area.



**Postures** are a way in which we engage the body in worship. These movements (sitting, standing, making the sign of the cross) are optional; please engage in them only as you are comfortable or able.



**Holy Communion** is offered to all who seek the presence of Christ. This is a welcome table. During this time of extreme caution, individual, sealed servings of Communion can be found on the table in the narthex next to the bulletins.

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*It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.*

## GATHERING

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**PRELUDE:** *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

Richard Weinhorst

*The congregation may stand as they are comfortable.*

**P:** The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

**P:** Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**

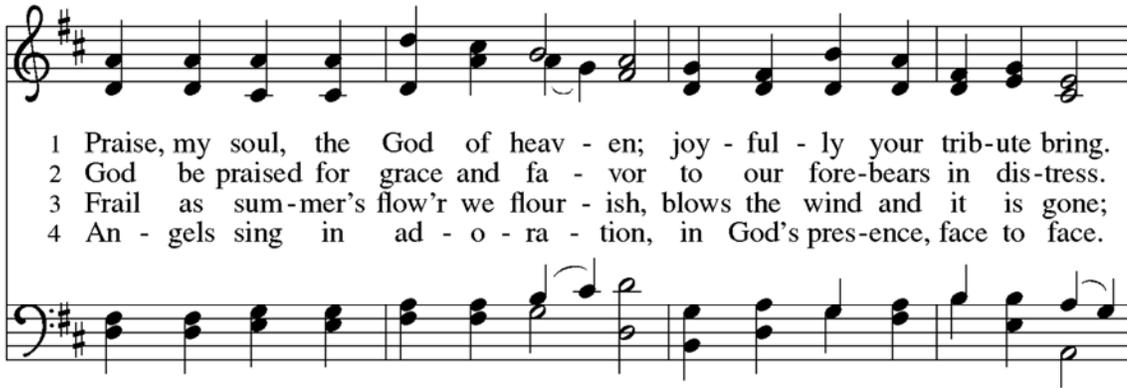
**Amen.**

**P:** Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

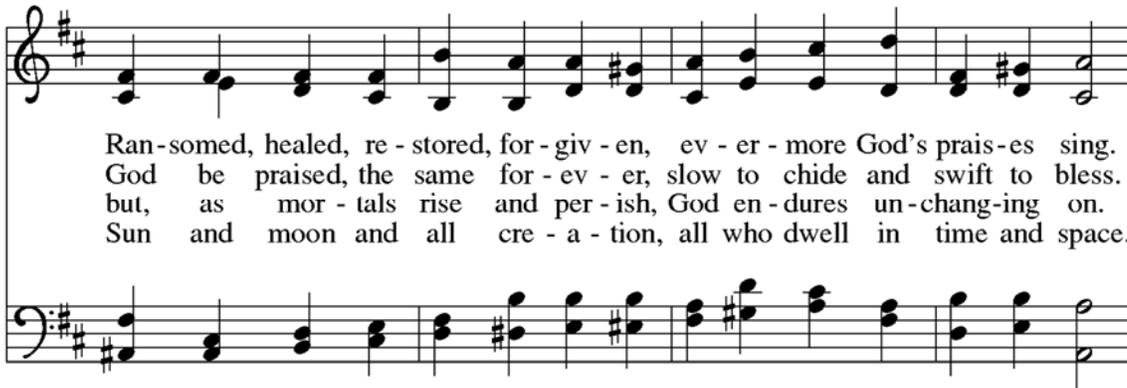
**Amen.**

# OPENING HYMN: Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Hymn# 864



1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.  
2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.  
3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;  
4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.  
God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.  
but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.  
Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

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## GREETING

**P:** 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.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**AM:** Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## WORD

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**THE FIRST READING:** 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

*Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.*

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a-c</sup>Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

The Word of the Lord.   **Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

*Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, the word of God is never shackled or confined. Timothy is encouraged to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.*

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may stand as they are comfortable.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*



Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we



go? You have the words of e - ter - nal



life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Optional Repeat*

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter:  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL:** Luke 17:11-19

*Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.*

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation is seated.*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON with Lindsay Schuessler**

**SERMON**

*The congregation may stand as they are comfortable.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY: *Come to the Water of Life***

Hymn# 955



1 All who are thirst-y for mer - cy, all who are thirst-y for  
2 All who are thirst-y for heal - ing, all who are thirst-y for  
3 All who are thirst-y for beau - ty, all who are thirst-y for  
4 All who are thirst-y for jus - tice, all who are thirst-y for



love; all who are thirst - y for love, for mer - cy,  
touch; all who are thirst - y for touch, for heal - ing,  
truth; all who are thirst - y for truth, for beau - ty,  
peace; all who are thirst - y for peace, for jus - tice,



come: come to the Wa - ter of life.  
come: come to the Wa - ter of life.  
come: come to the Wa - ter of life.  
come: come to the Wa - ter of life.

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*The congregation is seated.*

*11:00am service continue with creed on page 10.*

**HOLY BAPTISM of Evren Frederick Sungur**

**PRESENTATION**

**P:** God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

**Family:** We present Evren Frederick for baptism.

**P:** Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

**F:** I do.

**P:** As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that your child may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

**F: I do.**

**P:** People of God, do you promise to support Evren and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**We do.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**P:** Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

**P:** Do you believe in God the Father?

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

**P:** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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 into hell. 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.**

**P:** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P:** We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood, you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **BAPTISM**

**P:** Evren Frederick Sungur, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**P:** You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

**P:** Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your son new birth, cleanse him from sin, and raise him to eternal life.

**P:** Sustain Evren with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

**P:** Evren Frederick, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

## **WELCOME**

**P:** Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**P:** Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## Welcome, Child of God



Rain - drops, o - ceans, lakes, and riv - ers; wel - come, child of God.



Moth - ers, fa - thers, broth - ers, sis - ters; wel - come, child of God.



When the world feels wide a - round you, when the dark of night sur-rounds you,



we are here to tend and guide you. Wel - come, child of God.

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*The congregation may stand as comfortable.*

*8:30am service continue with prayers on page 11.*

## THE CREED

Let us confess our faith using the words of the 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.**

## THE PRAYERS

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Gracious God, we give you thanks for bishops, pastors, and deacons. Inspire leaders of the church to proclaim your mighty deeds, that your saving faith may be known to all. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Majestic God, we give you thanks for land and water, seedtime and harvest. Break down boundaries we construct between ourselves and the rest of your creation. Bring renewal and restoration to places affected by pollution and deforestation. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Mighty God, we give you thanks for those in our community, nation, and world who work for justice and peace. Guide those who govern to act on behalf of those marginalized by race, ethnicity, or religion. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Merciful God, we give you thanks that you hear the cries of those in need. Restore to community those who are stigmatized by illness, feel rejected, or who live in isolation. Send healing to all who suffer especially for Vi, Deanna, Steven, Mark, Damien, Neil, Mike, Vicki, Barb, Kevin, Kathy, Troy, Lillie, Sue, Sharon, Fred, Joan, and those we name before you now either silently in our hearts or spoken from our lips. . . Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Faithful God, we give you thanks for the healing ministries of this congregation. Equip those who visit, care, and pray for the sick. Give insight to doctors, nurses, home health aides, and all practitioners of medical arts. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

**P:** With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also, with you.**

**P:** I invite you to share a sign of peace with those around you.

*The ministers and congregation may greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

*The congregation is seated.*

## MEAL

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**THE OFFERING:** *The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

### MUSICAL OFFERING:

11:00am Choir: *How Can I Repay the Lord*

Dana Mengel

*The congregation rises in body or spirit.*

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE:** *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

Hymn# 181



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

**AM:** Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Presider:* *Congregation:*



The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

*Presider:* *Congregation:*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider:* *Congregation:*



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is



right to give God thanks and praise.

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**P:** It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, O God, through Jesus Christ who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

**P:** You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God; everything is filled with your glory. We give you thanks ... Remembering his command to love one another, his life and death, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:

*Presider:*

A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus. A -

*Congregation:*

men. Come, Lord Je - sus. A - men. Come, Lord

Je - sus. A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.

**P:** Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

*Presider:*

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it. A -

*Congregation:*

men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men. Come, Ho - ly

Spir - it. A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

**P:** This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

*Congregation:*

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the  
 u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is  
 yours, O God, now and for ev - er.  
 A - men.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**P:** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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 congregation is seated.*

## COMMUNION

**P:** Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

*Ushers will direct those wishing to process forward for Communion. Directions for processing forward can be found in the back of the pew in front of you with the hymnals. All who seek the Lord are welcome at Christ's table to receive the gift of God's grace! Those not receiving the bread and wine are welcome to come for a blessing. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. Grape juice is available in the individual glasses. Ask the pastor if you need gluten-free wafers.*

## MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION:

### LAMB OF GOD



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.



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



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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## *I Come with Joy*

Hymn# 482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

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## *Baptized in Water*

Hymn# 456



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the  
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the  
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his  
tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -  
sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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*The congregation may stand as they are comfortable.*

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

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**AM:** Let us pray. God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## **SENDING**

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*These are ways we are sharing God's Grace with our community and with the world!*

### **BLESSING**

**P:** God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.  
**Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: *To God Our Thanks We Give*

Hymn# 682

Re - a - mo le - bo - ga, re - a - mo le - bo - ga,  
To God our thanks we give, to God our thanks we give,

re - a - mo le - bo - ga mo - di - mo wa ro - na.  
to God our thanks we give, our thanks to God we give.

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system contains the first two lines of lyrics. The second system contains the next two lines. The music is in 7/8 time and features a key signature of one flat (B-flat). There are two fermatas with a '2' above them, indicating a second ending. The lyrics are written in a simple, sans-serif font below the notes.

Text: Botswanan traditional, as taught by Daisy Nshakazongwe; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1963. Music: REAMO LEBOGA, Botswanan traditional, as taught by Daisy Nshakazongwe. Text and music © 1986 World Council of Churches and the Asian Institute for Liturgy and Music.

**DISMISSAL**

**AM:** Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** *For the Fruit of All Creation*

Thomas Keesecker

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We invite all **members, guests and visitors**  
to join us for coffee and refreshments between services  
in the Walter Eckman Fellowship Hall downstairs.



Today's flowers were given by the Hartz family  
with much joy and thankfulness for the birth of Luke Isaac Sutton.

<b>WORSHIP LEADERS</b>		
PASTOR	Cheryl Walenta Gorvie	
ORGANIST	Johanna Erdman	
CHILDREN'S SERMON	Lindsay Schuessler	
ASSISTING MINISTER	Rick Schuessler	Angie Fulton
LECTOR	Kate Schejbal	Haley Dirkes-Jacks
USHERS	Bill Scanlan & John McElwee	Gary Borkowski & Haley Dirkes-Jacks
GREETER	Joe Mayhaus	Ed Crotty
ALTAR GUILD	The Bauer Family	
BREAD BAKER	The McFarlane and Tepe Family	
WINE	Maryn Olson and Angie Fulton	
FELLOWSHIP HOST	The Christian Family	
DONUT PICK UP	The McFarlane and Tepe Family	

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Welcome Evren Frederick Sungur.** This morning we celebrate Evren's baptism during the 8:30am service. Evren is the son of Caitlin and Can Sungur, and little brother to Allison.

**Congratulations to Rachel and Taylor Sutton upon the birth of Luke Isaac Sutton.** Luke was born Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Rachel is the daughter of Kate and Terry Hartz.

**We would like to thank everyone who attended the Special Congregational Meeting last Sunday.** Over 50 voting members of Gethsemane gathered in the fellowship hall and approved the \$22,820.00 needed for repairs to the organ. The contracts have been signed and will be sent to Wicks Organ Company along with the first payment. We will keep you updated as the repairs are completed.

**Please join us for a special Social Action Team meeting today**, between services. We will focus on how best to help people who come directly to the church asking for assistance. If you have questions, please contact Emily Szyman.

**What Are Our Values?** Have you chosen your values on the VALUES bulletin board in the fellowship hall yet? Just grab a slip of 5 dot stickers out of the red bucket and place your dots on the pages you feel best describe a deeply-held value of Gethsemane Lutheran Church. You can place more than one sticker on a page, and if there's one word that really calls to you, put all five stickers on one page. Votes will be tallied in October, so vote now.

**Today is the final day we are collecting gently used medical equipment for StL Help.** We would like to thank everyone who took the time to clean out their closets to donate items. These items will be greatly appreciated.

**ATTENTION WIGGLE BAG USERS:** We are trying something new this month. Instead of prefilling the wiggle bags, you will find empty bags on the wiggle bag tree. Please take a bag and fill it with 4-5 toys and items found in the bins located next to the tree. These items can be taken to your pew for use during the service. When you are ready to go home, place the used items and bag in the used wiggle bag bucket just as you have in the past. Volunteers will clean the items and return them to the toy bins for use the following week. Larger items like puzzles and mazes can be used in the narthex. All items will be wiped down each week. If you have extra toddler/preschool quiet toys around that need a new home, please contact the church office. Watch your attendance sheet at the end of the month for an opportunity share your feedback and ideas about the new set up.

**Hope Evangelical Lutheran church in St. Louis will host an Organ Vespers service** on Sunday, October 23 at 4:00 pm to commemorate Lutheran hymnwriters Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heerman, and Paul Gerhardt. The service will feature organist Ryan Meyer and guest preacher Rev. Sean Daenzer. Ryan Meyer is the Director of Music Ministries at Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church in St. Louis. Rev. Daenzer serves as the Director of Worship for the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and as chaplain for the LCMS International Center in St. Louis. Organ Vespers services feature extended organ leadership of the congregational liturgy and hymnody. Hope Evangelical Lutheran is located at 5218 Neosho St. in St. Louis, MO. Visit [hopelutheranstl.org](http://hopelutheranstl.org) for more information.

**FREE FALL CONCERT:** Please join us for our choir's fall concert "Lighten the Way" on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at St. Joan of Arc church (just east of Hampton at the corner of Pernod and Sulphur) at 3:00pm. Our program will include vocal and instrumental selections as well as inspirational readings and even the chance to sing-a-long. Free-will donations will be gratefully accepted to support the music ministry at St. Joan of Arc.

**Save the Date** – Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> is our annual fall work day. Please plan to join us at church between 9am and 2pm to help prepare for the holidays. In addition to the usual tasks of cleaning windows, polishing the pews, dusting cobwebs, and yardwork, we would like to clean out the fellowship stage area and adjoining exit halls.

**Gethsemane Lutheran Church Calendar  
October 9- 16, 2022**

Today	8:30 am 9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship Service: In-Person and on YouTube Fellowship Coffee Hour and Sunday School Social Action Team Meeting Worship Service: In-Person
10/10 Monday	6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal Vocal Choir Rehearsal
10/11 Tuesday	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Bible Study Church Council Meeting (Council Room)
10/12 Wednesday	10:00 am	Staff Meeting
10/13 Thursday	6:30 pm	ELCA's Declaration to People of African Descent Discussion (in person and on Zoom)
10/16 Sunday	8:30 am 9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship Service: In-Person and on YouTube Fellowship Coffee Hour and Sunday School Fellowship Committee Meeting Worship Service: In-Person

**Upcoming Dates to Consider**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
Saturday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Fall Clean Up Day
Sunday, October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Between Services	Confirmation Reception
Sunday, December 18 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 am	Children's Christmas Program

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

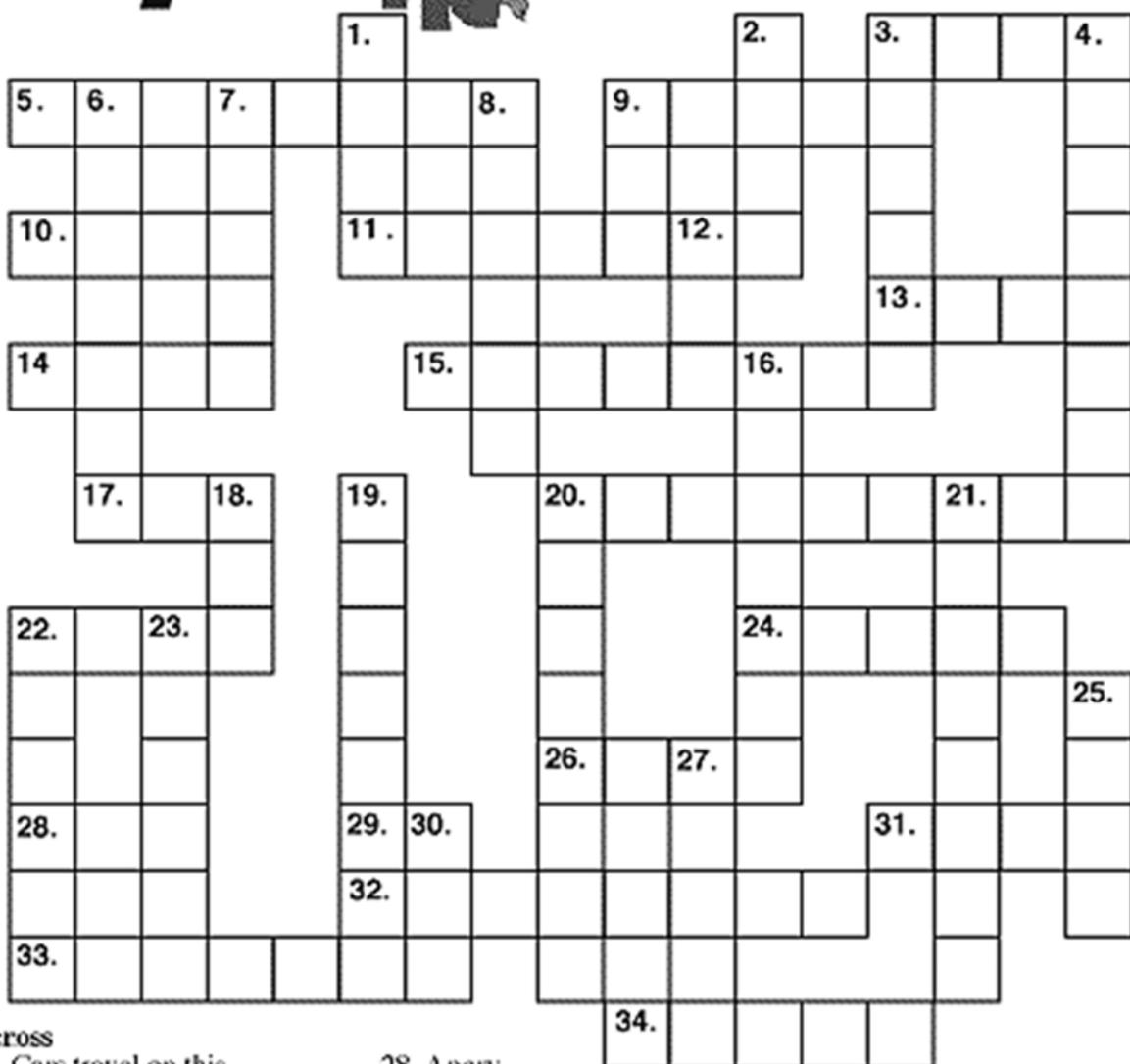
**Vi Aronsson** – comfort and freedom from pain  
**Deanna Brooker** – healing, comfort, and freedom from pain  
**Damien Gustafson** – healing and back pain relief  
**Neil Gustafson** – recovery from surgery and pain relief  
**Kevin Kopplin** – continued health and strength  
**Troy Mann** – healing and strength  
**Lillie Niebuhr** – healing and strength  
**Sharon Ryan** – pain relief for knee  
**Joan Williams** – healing after surgery and strength

<b>Request for:</b>	<b><i>On Behalf of:</i></b>
The Linder Family	<i>Boehlje Family</i>
Pam Murphy (healing), Peggy Adams (healing)	<i>Jean Chouquette</i>
Don Jenson (healing, strength), Stephen Cutelli (healing, strength)	<i>Mark Cutelli</i>
My father, Dennis Fontana (strength, comfort)	<i>Natalie Fontana</i>
Jon Hackmann family (healing, strength)	<i>Hackmann Family</i>
Quentin (strength, comfort during radiation treatment)	<i>Barb Johnson</i>
Jason Fawe (healing, recovery), Pat Kohlberg (safe return home after hospital stay)	<i>Kohlberg Family</i>
Laura Kurt Hale (comfort, healing, strength)	<i>Don Kurt</i>
Dave (healing), Sheila (wisdom), Farmers of the World, Hurricane Victims	<i>Cat Leonard</i>
Darlene's sister Denise (healing, strength recovering from cancer surgery and treatments)	<i>McElwee Family</i>
Marie (healing, comfort, pain relief), Ginny Olson (healing, comfort); those who mourn; all impacted by gun violence, for peace and justice in our world	<i>Olson/Fulton Family</i>
My uncle Adalberto Reyes (healing, peace as he journeys with stomach cancer)	<i>Tina Reyes</i>
Mary Ann (healing), Venie (healing), Mary's brother Carl (strength, healing)	<i>Scanlan Family</i>
Son Frank (good health)	<i>Kate Schejbal</i>
Ruth Krueger (healing, understanding)	<i>Schainer Family</i>
Prayers for a healthy and safe pregnancy	<i>Lindsay Schuessler and Brian Williams</i>
Gaye, Earl, Andrea (healing)	<i>Schuessler Family</i>

Steve and Sharon Starr (good health)	<i>Starr-Hunter Family</i>
Sister-in-law Tiffany	<i>Aria Thomé</i>
Mike, Liz, Amy and the Dickey family (strength, comfort, healing with cancer struggles)	<i>Yemm Family</i>

*Note: Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for two weeks. After that time, they will be removed.  
Simply resubmit or update your request as necessary.*

# Autumn CROSSWORD



## Across

3. Cars travel on this  
 5. Woollen garments  
 9. Plural of goose  
 10. An angel has this  
 11. To make smooth  
 13. Things aren't always as they  
 14. Who, what, where, \_\_\_?  
 15. Vegetables with many eyes?  
 17. Maple leaves often turn this  
 colour  
 20. The first month of Autumn  
 22. Cautious  
 24. A tree with white, papery  
 bark  
 26. To raise children

28. Angry  
 29. Opposite of out  
 31. Another name for Autumn  
 32. Autumn month  
 33. Gather a crop  
 34. Ripe fruit or vegetables

## Down

1. Grows on a tree  
 2. \_\_\_ager  
 3. Playtime in school  
 4. Last month of Autumn  
 6. Sunny, cold, rain, eg.  
 7. The nut from an Oak tree  
 8. Spring, summer, fall, winter  
 eg.

9. Fetch  
 12. "\_\_\_ your supper."  
 16. Autumn month  
 18. Opposite of night  
 19. Large orange fruits which  
 grow on a vine  
 20. Nut hoarding animal  
 21. Used to carry school books  
 22. What you get from a fireplace  
 23. One who reads  
 25. Opposite of hot  
 27. Brownish yellow colour  
 30. "He is \_\_\_ here right now."

## Gethsemane is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation Affirmation of Welcome

Christ's welcome knows no boundaries! Therefore, our welcome knows no boundaries and we invite all people to full participation in the life of the congregation.

We at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Saint Louis embrace...

People of any race or ethnicity...

People who are male, female, transgender, or any other gender identity...

People of any age...

People wherever they are, or wherever they have been, on their faith journeys...

People who are single, married, widowed, divorced, separated or partnered...

People who are straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, or any other sexual orientation...

People with a variety of political perspectives...

People who have, or had, addictions, phobias, abortions, or a criminal record...

People who are homeowners, renters, living with parents, or homeless...

People who are fully-abled, disabled, or of differing abilities...

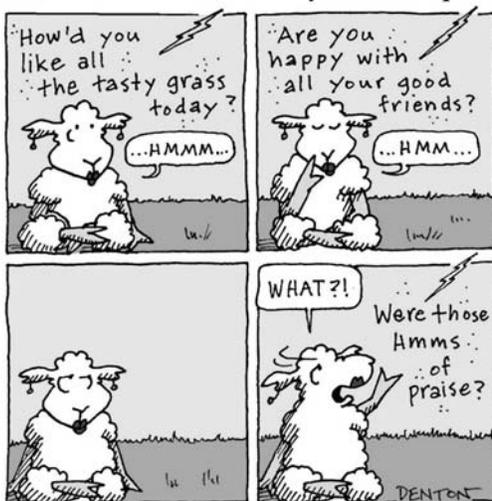
People of differing educational backgrounds...

People of any socio-economic condition...

People not mentioned above, all of whom are created and loved by God!

As we celebrate and seek to preserve the beautiful, amazing diversity of God's creation, we pledge to ourselves and to all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world. We are committed to being a radically loving and welcoming community of faith.

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