

Bethlehem Lutheran Church



Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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The Order of Worship
Divine Service Setting Three (LSB 184)

*(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an *)*

Announcements

Opening Hymn: We All Believe in One True God **LSB 953**
Confession and Absolution* **LSB 184**

Introit*

(Ps. 119:1-2, 5-6; antiphon: Ps. 119:137, 124)

Righteous are you, O LORD,
and right are your just decrees.

**Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love,
and teach me your statutes.**

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the LORD!

**Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart.**

Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!

**Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.**

**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.**

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and right are your just decrees.

Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love,
and teach me your statutes.

Kyrie* **LSB 186**
Gloria in Excelsis* **LSB 187**

Collect*: Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 25:6-14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great,
⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. ¹¹A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. ¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. ¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters. ¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual: Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage! By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6

¹ I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia*

LSB 190

Holy Gospel*: Luke 14:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹ One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ² And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³ And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” ⁴ But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵ And he said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” ⁶ And they could not reply to these things. ⁷ Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸ “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹ For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed*	LSB 191
Hymn of the Day: Seek Where You May to Find a Way	LSB 557
Sermon	
Offertory*	LSB 192
Offering	
Prayer of the Church*	
Service of the Sacrament*	LSB 194
Distribution Hymns: 696, 644, 645, 845	
Nunc Dimittis*	LSB 199
Benediction*	
Closing Hymn: I Know My Faith Is Founded	LSB 587

Announcements

Church Choir: Church Choir will meet today after the Divine Service.

Council & Voters' Meeting: The Council meeting is today, **Sunday, October 9, 2022 after church.** The Voters' meeting will be **Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 7:00pm.** A reminder for all outgoing council members, we will have elections at this voters' meeting so please be on the look out for someone to run as your replacement.

Thank You: The Ladies Aid sends out a huge THANK YOU to all who helped peel, core, wash, cook, and can apple butter. We thank the Lord for all of you and all glory to Him for such a blessed weekend. There are a few jars left to sell, so get it today. \$9.00 per quart, \$7.50 per pint, if there are still some left. It is such a fun tradition to keep alive.

Are you interested in helping with the Agape Youth Group, but just can't commit to helping all the time. Sara would love your help - here are some ways that you can help:

** Thrivent grants - Do you have a Thrivent account? - Do you know that you can get up to 2 \$250 grants a year to support youth group fundraisers and activities, school projects, or other church activities. There is an online form and we can walk you through the steps. Let Sara or Pastor know if you are able to assist with these grants.

** Blankets - Graduating seniors each receive a homemade blanket by a church member - Sara will accept donations of these at any time throughout the year to have on hand for when they are needed.

**Just Hanging out - Do you just want to spend time with the youth just for one evening at some point and time during the year - this involves playing games, eating food, and getting to hang out with some awesome youth. Let Sara know if you are interested in this.

Trinity Lutheran School Hoffman: Fazoli's is coming to Hoffman October 20, 2022 from 4:00pm-7:00pm. Dinners include your choice of spaghetti or fettuccine, dinner salad, bread sticks, and cookie dessert for \$12, carry-outs only. Funds raised will support the technology and playground funds.

CORLHS STERLING EVENING: Come Ye Thankful Come! The Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School Sterling Evening is almost here. The Dinner and Auction will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2022. Silent auction begins at 4:30pm with dinner served at 5:45pm and the live auction at 7:30pm. Tickets are available for \$40 a person, contact

the school office at (618) 226-3315. A preview night will take place on Friday, October 21, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm.

Issues, Etc: Issues, Etc. is a radio-talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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This Week in our congregation:

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School
9:30am Divine Service

Monday: 7:00pm Ladies Aid/LWML

Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:30pm Religion/Confirmation Classes

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School
9:30am Divine Service

Upcoming Events:

- October 23rd: Carry-Out Mostaccioli Dinner Sponsored by the Preschool
- November 6th: Sausage Supper
- November 19th: Card Tournament and Silent Auction

Upcoming Agape Youth:

- October 16th at 6:00pm Bonfire at Kuper house