

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Stevens Point, Wisconsin
Ministers: Every Baptized Member

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Today's Liturgy uses The Hymnal Supplement, alt.

October 15, 2017

8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Worship:

(8:15)	<i>"Loving Shepherd"</i>	J. S. Bach
(10:45)	<i>"I Am His Lamb"</i>	Williams/Larson

Announcements

***Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

P: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for prayer and reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.

P: With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

C: Thanks be to God!

***Opening Hymn:** *"Arise, My Soul, Arise!"* ELW #827

***Please stand**

***Greeting**

P: 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.

***Kyrie:**

Refrain

Assistant: *Congregation:*

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

to Verses

Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)

Assistant:

Help, save and de - fend us, O God. A - men.

Congregation:

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***Hymn of Praise: “Now the feast and celebration”**

Refrain
Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

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Verse 1
Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God.

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Verse 2
Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis-dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er.

Verse 3
Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new.

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***Salutation**

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(10:45) Anthem: “The Lord Is My Shepherd”

C. Larsen

Reading:**Acts 4:36–5:11**

³⁶There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). ³⁷He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

¹But a man named Ananias, with the consent of his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property; ²with his wife's knowledge, he kept back some of the proceeds, and brought only a part and laid it at the apostles' feet. ³Ananias, Peter asked, "why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back part of the proceeds of the land? ⁴While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, were not the proceeds at your disposal? How is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You did not lie to us but to God!" ⁵Now when Ananias heard these words, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard of it. ⁶The young men came and wrapped up his body, then carried him out and buried him. ⁷After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. ⁸Peter said to her, "Tell me whether you and your husband sold the land for such and such a price." And she said, "Yes, that was the price." ⁹Then Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." ¹⁰Immediately she fell down at his feet and died. When the young men came in they found her dead, so they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. ¹¹And great fear seized the whole church and all who heard of these things.

***Gospel Verse:**

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!

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Gospel:*Luke 21:1–4**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 21st chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹He looked up and saw rich people putting their gifts into the treasury; ²he also saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins. ³He said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them; ⁴for all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in all she had to live on."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon:

Jolly & Felicity

Hymn of the Day: *"By Works of Love, Love Grows"*

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***A Stewardship Creed:**

C: **We believe in God the Father, who out of love, created the heavens and the earth and all its creatures. He made us to be the crown of creation and gave us stewardship of all that God made.**

In another generous act of love, God sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins. He came to us as a child of the Holy Spirit and the obedient Mary. He healed the sick and taught us to love God and our neighbors. When he died and was buried, we saw God's greatest gift unfold as Jesus was raised from the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the gift of God that moves among us in the church. The Spirit showers us with God's great gifts and opens our hearts to be generous in response to God's love. We believe in the unity of the Christian church on earth, the communion of the saints in heaven, and the life that will never end. Amen.

***Sharing of the Peace**

P: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering

Offertory Anthem:

(8:15) *“Psalm 23”*

R. Haan

(10:45) *“The Lord Is My Shepherd”*

D. Allen

***Offertory Prayer**

P: Let us pray. Merciful God,

C: everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Prayers of the Church:**

A:.....Hear our prayer, O God.

C: And teach us how to love.

P:.....and the gifts of the Spirit.

C: Amen.

***Lord's Prayer**

**C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in
heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

***Benediction**

***Sending Hymn:** *"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"*
 (vss. 1, 2, 5, & 6)

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*Dismissal

A: Go in peace and through God's love, let your love grow.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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INSPIRING WORSHIP ALL WEEK

K E Y	Render unto God that which is God's and unto Caesar that which is Caesar's.
R E A D I N G S	<p>Preparing for Sunday, October 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day 1 – Isaiah 45:1–7 Day 2 – Psalm 96:1–13 Day 3 – 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10 Day 4 – Matthew 22:15–22 Day 5 – Exodus 33:12–23 Day 6 – Psalm 99 <p>* Sunday readings in bold</p>
A P P L Y	Love, kindness, generosity, and social justice are the things of God. We all know this but at times those things that are Caesar's become our golden calf. Our charge is to keep the two separate and not fall into the trap of serving man instead of God.
P R A Y E R	Dear Lord, instill in us the Holy Spirit. Let us live in your image; created for you. Let us act for your glory; redeemed by you. Let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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