

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,✝ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

C we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

In the name of God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

GREETING

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



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, a - dore him; praise him, an - gels, in the height;
2 Praise the Lord, for he is gra - cious; nev - er shall his prom-ise fail.



sun and moon, re - joice be - fore him; praise him, gleam-ing stars and light.
God has made his saints vic - to - rious; sin and death shall not pre - vail.



Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; worlds his might-y voice o - beyed;
Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; hosts on high, his pow'r pro-claim;



laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken for their guid-ance he has made.
heav'n and earth, and all cre-a - tion, laud and mag-ni - fy his name!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by

his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵ O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail

over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 26:1-8

(Refrain: Your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.)

¹ Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.

C ² Test me, O LORD, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.

³ For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.

C ⁴ I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful. *(Refrain)*

⁵ I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.

C ⁶ I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, that I may go in procession round your altar,

⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

C ⁸ LORD, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides. (*Refrain*)

(Refrain: Your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.)

SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep.

¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 20:17-34

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷ While Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves and said to them on the way, ¹⁸ “Look, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death; ¹⁹ then they will hand him over to the gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and on the third day he will be raised.” ²⁰ Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favor of him. ²¹ And he said to her, “What do you want?” She said to him, “Declare that these two

sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.”²² But Jesus answered, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?” They said to him, “We are able.”²³ He said to them, “You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.”²⁴ When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers.²⁵ But Jesus called them to him and said, “You know that the rulers of the gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.²⁶ It will not be so among you, but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant,²⁷ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave,²⁸ just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.”²⁹ As they were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed him.³⁰ There were two blind men sitting by the roadside. When they heard that Jesus was passing by, they shouted, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!”³¹ The crowd sternly ordered them to be quiet, but they shouted even more loudly, “Have mercy on us, Lord, Son of David!”³² Jesus stood still

and called them, saying, “What do you want me to do for you?” ³³ They said to him, “Lord, let our eyes be opened.” ³⁴ Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes. Immediately they regained their sight and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

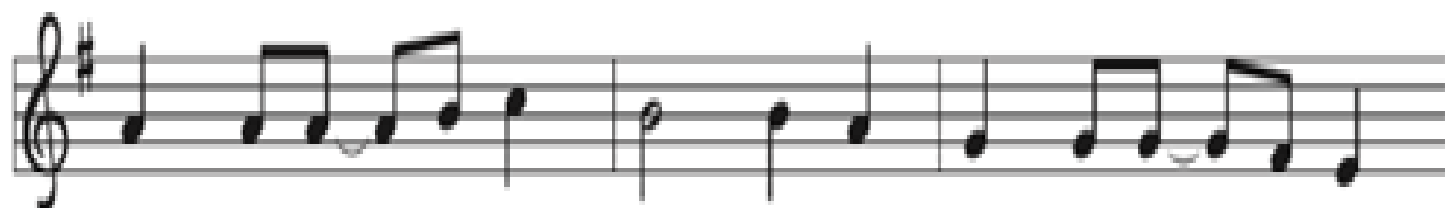
SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY

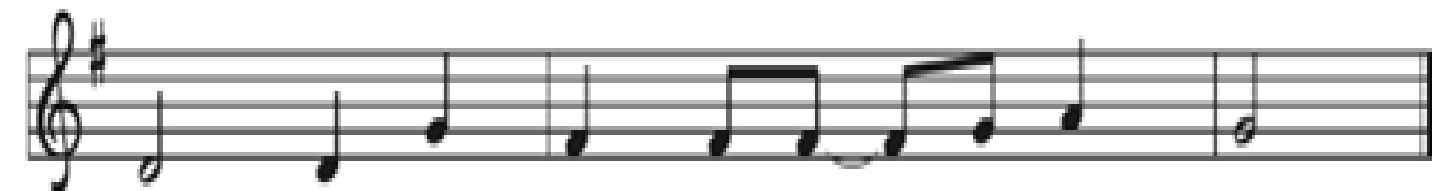
Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand



Kwa - ke *Ye - su na - si - ma - ma,* *ndi - ye*
Here on Je - sus Christ I will stand. He's the



mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma. *Ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la -*
sol - id rock of my life. He's the sol - id rock of my



ma, *ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma.*
life. He's the sol - id rock of my life.



1 There's no oth - er place I can hide till the
2 It is not the work of my hands that has
3 When my days on this earth are done, and I



storm that rag - es sub - sides. My voice cries to God from the
washed a - way all my sins. I'm re - deemed, and all of my
stand at God's ho - ly throne, my heart will not have an - y



flood, and I'm saved be - cause of his blood.
days, Je - sus Christ will be my heart's praise.
fear, in Christ's righ - teous - ness I am here.

Text: Kenyan hymn; adapt. Greg Scheer, b. 1966

Music: KWAKE YESU NASIMAMA, Kenyan melody; adapt. Greg Scheer

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APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters. Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit. *(We pray especially for Druscilla Chestnut, Wilma Hall, Leon Seitz, Connie Wahl, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.)* Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope

in your promises in this life and the life to come.
Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. (*We pray especially for Luke Himself, Joshua Hoffman, and Cooper Uebelhor.*) Merciful God,
C receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Verse 1 only)*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,

2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.
Amen

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ; who, enthroned forever at your right hand, intercedes for us as our great high priest. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 324 "Oh Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

LBW 358 "Glories of Your Name Are Spoken"

LBW 370 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

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

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(Verse 1 only)*



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,
2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad-ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap-tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin-ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless-ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

C Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

WOV 763 "Let Justice Flow Like Streams"

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Mission Statement: *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Deidra Church
Comm. Asst: Brandie Beck
Video: JoAn Breitwieser
Pianist: Kaia Holt
Lay Reader: Anna Ruhe
Audio: Bryan Buchta
Acolytes: Blair Buse
Altar Guild: Tina Terwiske, Gabbie Chinn,
Talia Myrick, Tara Uebelhor



ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 146

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF **Aug. 30th – Sept. 6th**

Sun., Aug 30 th	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
Tues., Sept. 1 st	6:30 PM	WELCA Meeting
	6:30 PM	Property Meeting
Sun., Sept. 6 th	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service (no communion)

Please continue to keep in your prayers, Alexis, Brenda, Carol, Donna, Ely, Katrina, Leroy, Amy DeKemper, Keith Freyberger, Dorothy Fuhrman, Elizabeth Hansen, Hester James, Jackson Joseph Hoffman, Lana Hoffman, Mary Ann Jerger, Carol Keller, Don Krodel, Nancy Krodel, Rex Krodel, Wanda Krodel, Zach Leinenbach, Madison Mann, Jeanne Marks, Logan Musgrave, Bob Nugent, Christine Probst, Anita Reed, Annette Schepers, Jim Seitz, Kaine Seitz, and Judy Wessel.



ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Property Committee will meet this Tuesday, September 1st at 6:30 PM. *-Gene Nigg*

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This Tuesday, September 1st before the WELCA meeting, we will be assembling the school kits that have been collected so far. If anyone would like to help us, we will start around 5:45 PM. Thanks!

-Donna Rasche and Joann Schnarr.

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If you have a college student, please turn his/her address into the office by Oct. 31 so the Evangelism Committee can send them a care package.

-Jennifer Bauer and Martha Church

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Worship & Music Committee will meet on Thursday, September 10th at 10:00 AM. *-Arlene Vonderheide*

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Budget worksheets for each committee are in the mail slots in the back office. Please return the completed sheets to the office no later than September 20th. Thank you! *-Jeff Schmitt*

WELCA will be making ham salad Sept. 14th and 15th with pick-up on the 15th and 16th. Volunteers are needed to help make and sell the ham salad. There is a volunteer sheet on the welcome center desk for anyone interested in helping. We have a great time while making money for the church!

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EMMANUEL LUTHERAN HILL CHURCH

Emmanuel Lutheran Hill Church of rural Dubois, Indiana, will hold the annual homecoming on Sunday, September 20th at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Tim Kraemer of Christ Lutheran will conduct the service. Holy Communion will be celebrated during the service. After the service, there will be a carry-in meal in the old schoolhouse.

This year we will honor the 125th anniversary of the current sanctuary.

The public is invited to come and join the activities at the old Hill Church.

REMINDER - Collection ends on 8/31

SCHOOL KITS

St. Paul's will begin collecting for school kits, for the Lutheran World Relief, the entire month of August. **NOTE: We currently have enough pencils from last year and do not need any at this time.** Look for the display in welcome area. Take advantage of the back-to-school sales and shop now! These supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not.

Items to include in each School Kit:



×4 Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper



×1 One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other



×1 One pencil sharpener



×1 One blunt scissors
(safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)



×5 Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band



×1 One box of 16 or 24 crayons



×1 One 2½" eraser

Guidelines:

- Please give new items only, except where otherwise noted
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.

**"COLOR YOUR
WORLD WITH
JESUS"**

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**ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY
SCHOOL KICK-OFF!**

**WHEN: SUNDAY, SEPT. 13
(AFTER COMMUNION - 10:30)**

WHERE: FELLOWSHIP HALL

WHO: CHILDREN AGES 3 - 6TH GRADE

**WHAT: TIE-DYING SHIRTS +
BACK TO SCHOOL GAME + SNACK**

****PLEASE DON'T WEAR YOUR SUNDAY BEST!**

If you **are currently not**, and would like to receive the monthly newsletter, weekly bulletin email, or prayer chain email, please leave this form below in the box outside the church office.

Name _____

- ☐ St. Paul's newsletter, **"The Epistle"**
- ☐ weekly bulletin email
- ☐ weekly prayer list email

(please check selections)

Email: _____

Mailing address for newsletter:

Thanks,
Marcie, secretary

Have an announcement, special event, accomplishment, etc. you would like to share with your church family? Epistle Newsletter content and pictures always welcome!

Call or email Marcie 😊

812-695-3061 / secretaryst.paul@frontier.com

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Listening Assistance Devices are available for use during our services. These devices can be found in the small bookcase just inside the doors between the Welcome Center and Narthex.

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Are you moving away to go to college and would like a little taste of home every month. Sign up for the monthly Epistle newsletter! (See the sign-up form page.)



In Service to Our Country

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