Even the hairs of your head are all counted

MATTHEW 10:30

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WELCOME Thank you for being with us.

We are a Christian church within the Lutheran tradition (Evangelical Lutheran Church of America) and we welcome people of all Christian traditions as well as people of other faiths and people of little or no faith. Christian worship has been offered to God in this congregation for 184 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

Restrooms are available in the Good Shepherd Room (Springettsbury lobby) and the narthex. Baby changing stations are provided in these restrooms.

Guidelines for Worship during the time of COVID-19

Entering and Leaving the Church:

Face masks are required both inside and outside. If you do not have a mask you may use one of the pre-packaged masks located at the entrances or at the usher stations.

If a face mask was provided upon arrival, kindly deposit it in the specially marked basket at the exterior doors or at the usher stations as you leave so that it can be properly washed and prepared for use again.

Please take your service bulletin with you or dispose of it properly. We will no longer be reusing bulletins.

Offerings:

Monetary offerings may be placed in the basins provided at the entrances to the nave or at the usher stations outdoors prior to the service or immediately following the service. You may also donate via our website at www.stpaulsyork.org

While in the Nave or on the lawn:

You may sit together as a family. Outside worshippers should place their lawn chairs using social distancing. Inside worshippers should sit in designated pews only. We ask that you practice social distancing from one family to the next within the pew.

Communion Procedure:

For the outside service: Communion positions are designated with a chalk cross marked on the sidewalks on Springettsbury Ave. and surrounding the lawn. Wearing your face mask., proceed to the closest sidewalk and take your place at a Communion position.

For inside services: Ushers will direct you. The pulpit side of the nave communes first followed by the font side.

Wearing your face mask, come to the chancel step taking your place at one of the five positions marked on the chancel floor with a green cross.

Your entire household may gather at one of the five positions marked by the green cross.

For all to receive the sacrament: Please extend your arms and cup your hands together to receive the host. Please do not reach out to take it from the minister. Once the minister has moved to the next group, remove your mask, receive the host, replace your mask and return to your pew/seat by the closest side aisle. There is no need to hurry. We will be receiving communion in one kind only.

Third Sunday of Pentecost

June 21, 2020 8:00 & 10:30 AM During the time of COVID -19

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 AM PRELUDE

How Can I Keep from Singing Shannon Pizzirusso, soprano John Leavitt

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy. For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy. For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen

GLORIA IN EXCELSI

Glory to God in the highest, and	peace to his people on earth.

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All	Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:
Women	We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Men	Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:
Women	You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Men	You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
Women	For you alone are the Holy One,
Men	You alone are the Lord,
All	You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
	the glory of God the Father. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Sit

READING Jeremiah 20:7-13 (on back page) At the conclusion of the reading The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18 spoken responsively by half verse

⁷ Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me, Lord | GOD of hosts;* let not those who seek you be disgraced because of me, O | God of Israel.

- ⁸ Surely, for your sake have I suf- | fered reproach,*
 - and shame has cov- | ered my face.
- ⁹ I have become a stranger to | my own kindred,*
 - an alien to my | mother's children.
- ¹⁰ Zeal for your house has eat- | en me up;*

the scorn of those who scorn you has fall- | en upon me.

¹⁶ Save me from the mire; do not | let me sink;*

let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of | the deep waters.

¹⁷ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swal- | low me up;* **do not let the pit shut its** | **mouth upon me.**

¹⁸ Answer me, O LORD, for your | love is kind;*

in your great compassion, | turn to me."

Stand

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPELMatthew 10:24-39(back page)The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sit SERMON

Pastor Reep

Stand

APOSTLE'S CREED

We confess our faith using the words of the Apostle'sCreed.

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

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

Lord God, you bring diverse voices together to form your church. Open our hearts and unstop our ears to learn from one another, that differences might not overshadow our baptismal unity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Sustain and keep safe all who work to defend others across the world. Revive and strengthen organizations dedicated to caring for refugees and migrants while their homelands struggle for peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You promise to be with all who are persecuted for your sake. Guide all who speak your word of justice and console any who are tormented or targeted for being who they are. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Bless all fathers and father figures who strive to love and nurture as you do. Comfort all who long to be fathers and all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You bless us with guides and caretakers in the faith. As we give thanks for those who have died, increase our care for one another until we walk with them in newness of life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.	And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord.	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. 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. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

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

FRACTION The bread is broken. A brief silence is kept.

AGNUS DEI

PastorLamb of GodMenLamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.WomenLamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.AllLamb of God you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace. AmenSitThe pastor cleanses hands and prepares for the distribution of Holy Communion.

COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Please see instructions for receiving the sacrament on the inside front cover of the bulletin.

COMMUNION SOLO:

This is My Father's World Shannon Pizzirusso, soprano **Richard Walters**

Stand

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

8:00 AM HYMN "We Are Marching in the Light" (back pages)

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

10:30 AM POSTLUDE Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Robert Hobby

The minister leaves the chancel.

Pastor Reep will be outside at the Springettsbury Ave. entrance.

Please be respectful of distancing and personal space as you leave. Feel free to gather outside for conversation.

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This week's flowers are given to the Glory of God with thanksgiving for fifty years of marriage by Pastors Judy and Tom McKee, and by Peter and Rhada Hartmann in memory of our fathers, Maurice Hartmann and Ernest Grimm.

Announcements



Thank you for your faithfulness in sending your offering through the mail or by using online options from your financial institution or through the "Donate" now from the church website **stpaulsyork.org**. Your gifts are keeping us current with the commitments associated with St. Paul's and our ministry partners.

We continue to experience a surge in families needing assistance through the Food Pantry. We can use some additional volunteers. We are seeking folks who are not in the "at risk" category for COVID-19. Simply notify Larry or Janet Moore if you can help on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday morning.

Members of our COVID-19 task force will assist us as we work to open up St. Paul's and to do so in the safest, healthiest way possible. Please thank Deacon Ellen Doughty, Dr. Jessica Ericson, Sheridan Palmer, Deacon Harold Sargeant, and Tim Yakim for their service.

Our soloist for today, Shannon Pizzirusso, is a 2020 graduate of Mansfield University with a degree in Music Education. She has accepted a position in Arizona teaching 5th & 6th grade beginner orchestra. Shannon would like to thank St. Paul's and especially Victor Fields for all the wonderful opportunities she has had both singing and playing violin in the music ministry here. Please wish her luck on her upcoming journey!

In our prayers we remember...

Sandy Shellenberger, Brian McKenna, George Fitch, Gene Shue, Abbie Gayle Guyton, Amanda, Jim Young, Penny Bailey, Eddie Turner, Sr., Jessica Ericson, Kristine Gross, Porter Stacey. Please keep all medical personnel and those in the military and in mission work in your daily prayers.

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FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13 O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. 9If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11 [not printed]

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:] "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man

against his father,

and a daughter against her mother,

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-inlaw;

³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Next Sunday's Readings: Jeremiah 28:5-9; Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42.

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