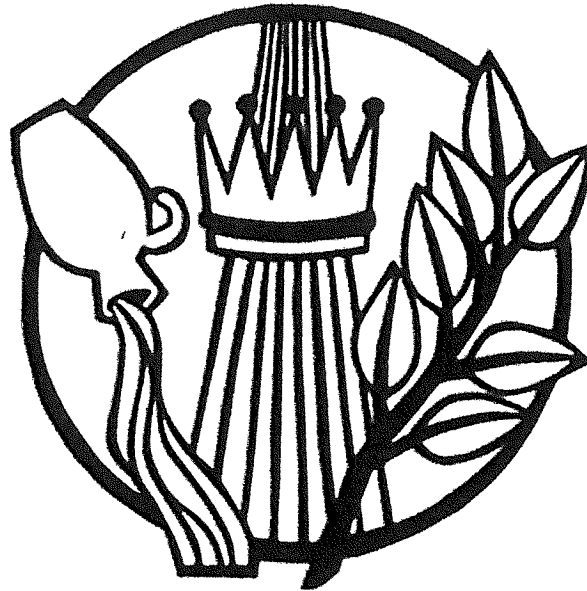


HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH — E L C A



Sunday, September 15th, 2024
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

Presiding Minister: Pastor David Raben
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH. *We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".*

PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN'S CHAT

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "We Are Called"

Verse 1

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God.

Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly;

We are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God.

Verse 2

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless so hatred and blindness will be no more.

(Refrain)

Verse 3

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!

God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love.

(Refrain)

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God,

C through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

⁴The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,

I did not turn backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

⁸he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 116:1-9 (read responsively)

¹I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

²**for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.**

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;
I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴**Then I called upon the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray you, save my life."**

⁵Gracious is the LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

⁶**The LORD watches over the innocent; I was brought low, and God saved me.**

⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the LORD has dealt well with you.

⁸**For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

⁹I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land of the living.

SECOND READING: James 3:1-12

This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter

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

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said,

“Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P The Gospel of the Lord C Praise to you O Christ.
(please be seated)

GOD’S WORD FOR TODAY

Pastor David Raben

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Lord I Lift Your Name On High”*

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I’m so glad You’re in my life; I’m so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
from the earth to the cross my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high. (sing 2X)

APOSTLES CREED *(please stand as you are able)*

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed
**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

P Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P *Hear us, O God* C **Your mercy is great**
Tom (Angermeier), Elaine (Caelwaerts), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Erin (Culbertson), Danielle (D), Philip (Dixner), Charlotte (K), Joel (L), Wade (Larson), David (Plummer), Sue (R), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Todd (S), Barb (Salzer), Sandy (T), Irene (Thorson), Deb, Laci, and Pastor Laura.

C **Amen.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.** *(please share Christ's peace with one another)*
(you may be seated)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"We Give Thee but Thine Own" (please stand)*

C **We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;**
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION LITURGY *(spoken)*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also

make all things new in the day when he comes again to judge the world in righteous-ness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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

P Gathered in to one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
 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

P Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION *(you may be seated)*

We welcome all believers in Christ to share in God's Holy meal. Please come to the front and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available on the stand in the center. Children who have not received their first communion instruction are invited to come forward and receive a pastoral blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN *"Lord, Be Glorified"*

Verse 1

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

Verse 2

In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In our song, Lord, be glorified today.

Verse 3

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

Verse 4

In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

COMMUNION BLESSING *(after the distribution has been completed - please stand)*

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

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C Amen.

TABLE BLESSING

P Let us pray together the table blessing.

C Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

Verse 1

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine, Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Refrain

**Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Verse 2

**O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, Leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day, Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

(Refrain)

Verse 3

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

(Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.... **AND WE WILL !!**

POSTLUDE

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Sunday school and Confirmation both begin **TODAY** September 15th with classes. Please keep these students and their teachers in your prayers.

Serving in worship today (Sept 15th)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Reader: Jim Hanstad

Ushers: Russ & Ellen Klister

Communion Assist: George Sincock

Musicians: Luke Brown, Gordy Hughes, Jim Hanstad

Serving in worship next week (Sept 22nd)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Reader: Jim Vogel

Ushers: Jim & Marla Vogel

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week: Sept 22nd

Jeremiah 11:18-20

The prophet led like a lamb to slaughter

Psalm 54

God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life. (Ps. 54:4)

James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

The wisdom from above

Mark 9:30-37

Prediction of the passion

2025 Offering envelopes are ready for pick-up in the fellowship area. Please pick yours up.

Starting with the new year we have reinstated the prayer request policy of the past. This means that your prayer request will be on the list for 3 months unless you state otherwise. You can re-request to keep them on the list or put them back on if they have come off and you would like them on again. Prayer request forms are found on the back of each pew on colorful card stock. Please fill them out and place them in the offering plate or on the desk in the office area. Thank you for your co-operation with this worthwhile ministry for those who are struggling among us.

Do you have a favorite hymn? Want to sing something different in church?: Please jot your requests on a piece of paper and put it on the office desk. Your requests will be worked in as soon as possible. Thank you for your contribution.

Stewardship Opportunities Sept 15-22

Today the fellowship meal is our being provided by the folks whose last name begins A-K. Next week the fellowship meal will be provided by the folks whose last name begins L-Z.

Week at a Glance Sept 15-22**Monday Church Council 6 PM****Tuesday WELCA at noon****Wednesday 8 AM**

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Thursday 9-12 NOTE day change

Office hours for Lana

Sept 11th

Julia Jacobson

Sept 12th

Arne Odegaard

Sept 15th

Taylor Brunette

Sept 16th

Carolyn Melland

Sept 18th

John Borkovetz

Charley Carey

Sept 19th

LuAnn Ferron

Sept 22nd

Matt Dixner Young

Sept 24th

Tim Hanson

Sept 27th

Jason Freier

Sept 29th

Lana Ferry

Jerry Langer

Alice Rocque-Angermeier

Sept 30th

Sue Peterson

*Attendance last week: 44***Anniversary's in September**

Sept 5th

Bob & Deb Larson

Sept 15th

Sam Sund & Heather

Haese

Sept 16th

Dan & Cathy Lindal

Sept 22nd

Don & Ardy Lauscher

Sept 30th

Jerry & Lori Langer (Flick)

Birthdays in September

Sept 5th

Heidi Gutschow

Edward Sawyer

Sept 7th

Jon Klister

Sept 10th

George Sincock

Liam Schultz

We are becoming more aware of the problem of hunger in our own county. We are therefore beginning to make a more concerted effort to help those who are in need around us. Our noisy offering every time it is taken will be now used to help feed those here in Door County. We also have a basket in the fellowship area where non-perishable items and personal hygiene needs can be dropped off. The last Sunday of the month will also be a special collection Sunday. There will be drop-off bins at each entrance to the sanctuary. Thank you for your support of this expanded effort.