

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH - ELCA



Sunday, September 22nd, 2024
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
"The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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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 AND NOISY OFFERING FOR LOCAL HUNGER RELIEF

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:

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

HYMN # 879

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 *(spoken)*

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

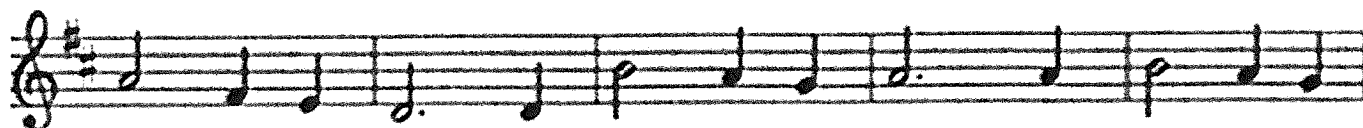
C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

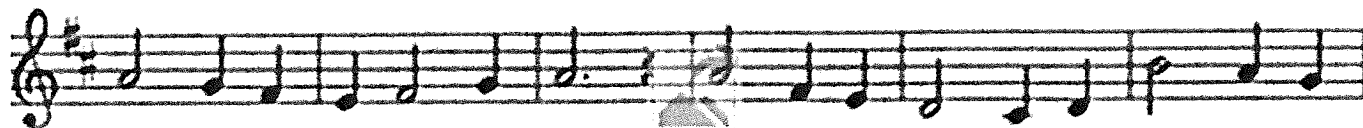
C **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

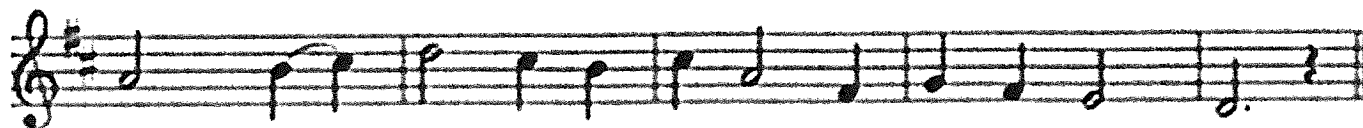
P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.



Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



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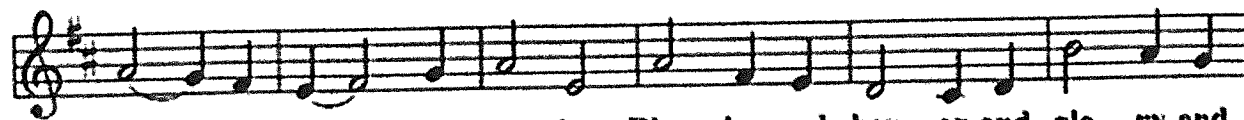
strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



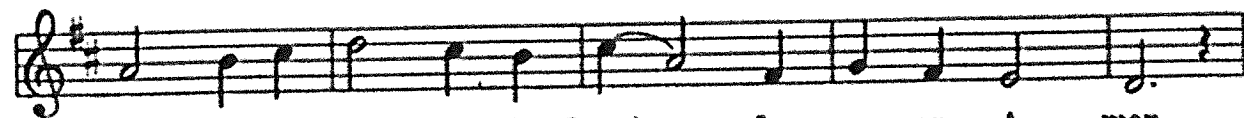
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. O God,

C our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.

¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!”

²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

R The word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 54 (read responsively)

¹Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.

²**Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.

⁴**Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SECOND READING: James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.^{4:}

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleas-

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.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Create in Me"* **HYMN #186**

C **Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

OFFERING PRAYER

P Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C **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** Merciful God **C** Receive our prayer
Tom (Angermeier), Elaine (Caelwaerts), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Erin (Culbertson), Danielle (D), Philip (Dixner), Angie (H), 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 LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into 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

BLESSING

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, †
be upon you now and forever.

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

"Let All Things Now Living"

HYMN # 881

SENDING FORTH

P Go in peace. Spread the Good News.

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

POSTLUDE

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Serving in worship today (Sept 22nd)

Presiding minister: Pastor David Raben

Reader: Jim Vogel

Ushers: Jim & Marla Vogel

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Serving in worship next week (Sept29)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist: Jim Hanstad

Reader: Brown Family

Ushers: Brown Family

Keyboard: Heidi Hintz

Readings for next week: Sept 29th

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

The LORD's spirit comes upon seventy elders

Psalm 19:7-14

The commandment of the LORD gives light to the eyes. (Ps. 19:8)

James 5:13-20

Prayer and anointing in the community

Mark 9:38-50

Warnings to those who obstruct faith

Stewardship Opportunities Sept 22-29

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

Week at a Glance Sept 22-29**Tuesday 9:00 AM**

Quilting for missions

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9-12

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 59

Birthdays in September

Sept 5th Heidi Gutschow
Edward Sawyer
Sept 7th Jon Klister
Sept 10th George Sincock
Liam Schultz
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

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)

There will be a special congregational meeting on October 6, 2024. This meeting is to vote on the repair or replacement of the front steps, railings, and post. It is also for the painting of the cedar shakes on the North, West, and East sides of the church. There will be our annual chili fest following the short meeting. Weather permitting it will be held in the pavilion. Please sign up in the fellowship area for what you would like to bring.

Aug 2024						
				TOTAL		
	Aug	Budget	Variance	YTD	Budget	Variance
Offerings	4,765	6,154	(1,389)	54,124	49,232	4,892
Total Income	7,709	7,475	234	68,412	59,800	8,612
Total Expenses	13,887	6,975	6,912	61,542	55,800	5,742
	Current	Goal				
Windows Fund	\$74,656	\$68,935				
Less Down Pymt	-\$9,094	(include down payment for north window repair)				
	<u>\$65,562</u>					

Introducing Youth Group Sundays

Here at Hainesville, we're excited about kids and want them to have more opportunities to contribute to our vibrant church family. Once a month, Youth Group Sunday will offer kids (elementary aged through high school) an opportunity to grow their faith, contribute to worship service, participate in service projects and build lasting relationships by having fun here at church. Kids can contribute to worship service by lighting the candles, playing an instrument or singing, doing the readings and leading or participating in the Children's Sermon. After the Gospel reading, kids will leave the service to spend some time talking about the Gospel lesson. We'll also spend time working together to design and carry out service projects that our Hainesville youth find meaningful. After joining everyone for the meal following service, we'll ask all of you (young and old) to join in some just plain fun, like Kickball, Bingo or Arts and Crafts.

Fall and Early winter Youth Group Sundays are as follows:

October 27- Service Project Brainstorm and Base-ket-ball (like baseball but crazier)

November 24- Service Project Planning and Gratitude Bingo

December 22 – Christmas Program and Marshmallow Snowman Challenge

Please sign your child up to light candles, read, or participate in worship music for any Youth Group Sunday by contacting Becky Brown at rebeccabrown903@gmail.com.