

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 2022

9:30 a.m.



We Gather in Jesus' Name

Prelude (a time for silent meditation)

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven ☩ and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Song: "Be Unto Your Name"

We are a moment, You are forever
Lord of the Ages, God before time
We are a vapor, You are eternal
Love everlasting, reigning on high

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name

We are the broken, You are the healer
Jesus, Redeemer, Mighty to save
You are the love song we'll sing forever
Bowing before You, blessing Your name

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen. (*Please be seated.*)

Readings for the 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Children's Sermon

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;

⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;

⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Psalm: Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³Put not your trust in rulers,

in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;**

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever,**

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God, Word of Life
Thanks be to God

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 16th Chapter

C: **Glory to You, O Lord**

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In

Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Song of Praise: “Here is Our King”

Here is our King
Here is our Love
Here is our God who's come
To bring us back to Him
He is the One
He is Jesus X2

From wherever spring arrives to heal the ground
From wherever searching comes, the look itself
A trace of what we're looking for
So be quiet now, And wait
The ocean, Is growin'
The tide is comin' in, here it is
Here is our King
Here is our Love
Here is our God who's come
To bring us back to Him
He is the One
He is Jesus, Jesus X2

Apostle's 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 the Church

*(Each petition ends with... God of grace, the congregation responds: **hear our prayer.**)*

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you

The Offering Please leave your offering on our website: https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Dc8dzPGn4-LCajFevTkh9MYPCLmH2sG-jdxWYJMFGW_IQfxkD4hBw8W0Q6UZLveQvLkSxosar2o939JWiAad87o7zqy-UU_UuLu19bUbJx2MmPFcXvWIUz6A7FDgkhUKk0PpduXvnt8gXUeZjQYbn9G3frHWC59Y_VCHQ6_VCoE=&ver=3

The Offertory *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray... **Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
Amen.**

The 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 our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Distribution

The body of Christ, given to you
The blood of Christ, shed for you

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray... God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor
and + give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending Song: "Lord Reign in Me"

Over all the earth You reign on high
Every mountain stream, every sunset sky
But my one request, Lord my only aim
Is that You'd reign in me again

Lord reign in me, reign in Your power
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am
So won't You reign in me again

Over every thought, over every word
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord

'Cause You mean more to me than any earthly
thing
So won't You reign in me again

Lord, reign in me, reign in Your power
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
'Cause You are the Lord of all I am
So won't You reign in me again

Lord reign in me, reign in Your power
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
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Dismissal

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
Thanks be to God.

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OUR MISSION - FAITHFUL IN THE WORD

- + To **gather** as God's people and nurture one another
- + To **know** the Word of God
- + To **grow** in faith, love, and service
- + To **go** into the world with the Good News of Jesus Christ



SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor:	The Rev. Matthew E Ollikainen
Music/Choir Director	Mr. Michael Dettra
Worship Assistant	John Flint

GUEST REGISTER

If you are visiting with us today, please sign our Guest Book in the narthex.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are presented by Cindy Frey in honor of her son Christopher's birthday and by Nancy Slight in honor of Cece's birthday.

NUEVA CREACIÓN MISSION SUPPORT

Support of Nueva Creación Lutheran Church in Philadelphia for this week is to the Glory of God.

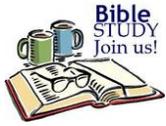
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

8:00 a.m. 16 9:30 a.m. 23 Sunday School 5 **Total 44**

NEW MEMBER CLASS

New Member Class sessions are held after the 9:30 Sunday worship service on **September 18th** and **25th** and on **October 2nd** and **9th**. The New Member Class will then be joined to the congregation through the Affirmation of Baptism in worship on Reformation **Sunday, October 30th**. If you are interested in becoming a new member please contact Pastor Matt or the church office.





THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study Thursday nights at 7:00 PM. We will continue to study Jesus' Parables for the Fall. We will also continue to meet by Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89632518358?pwd=Smg5dm1BaOVZamZjNG1YMko2MlVvdzo9>



SOCIAL MINISTRY

During the month of July, 22 lbs of food was donated to the Warminster Food Bank. In addition, \$1983.00 was donated. Thanks to all who continue to support our neighbors in need. As we begin the fall season the following items would be greatly appreciated: jelly, instant oatmeal variety packs, spaghetti sauce, coffee, and laundry detergent.

For suggestions on which items are requested each week, go to www.warminsterfoodbank.org. Thank-you!!

Nancy Slight



COMFORT BAGS FOR KIDS PROJECT CONTINUES WITH YOUR HELP

Children need our help! A special service project day to make "Comfort Bags for Kids" for the Lutheran Settlement House in Philadelphia was held at Advent on Saturday May 14, thirty two comfort bags were completed. We are asking your help to fill them.

Lutheran Settlement House takes care of children that are dealing with emergency placement due to domestic violence or sudden homelessness. The children often come to them with little to nothing of their own. LSH provides a "comfort bag" to each child; these bags are drawstring backpacks and are filled with things like coloring books and crayons, journals, stuffed animals, and small games to help the child cope with some of the big emotions they may be experiencing.

There is a table in the narthex displaying some suggested items. If you have items for the Comfort Bags that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring items into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the age appropriate items most needed is on the table

Any questions can be directed to Jennifer McQuiggan 267-825-3890



FELLOWSHIP TIME

We need committees or individuals to sign up to provide refreshments after the 9:00 a.m. service. The sign-up sheet through December is on the fellowship table. Advent supplies hot beverages (i.e. coffee & tea) and all paper products.

STITCH CLUB STARTING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Stitch club meets on **Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to noon**. If you like to knit, crochet or do needlepoint, this is for you! Stitch club Bazaar is coming up in October 9, 16, 23. Please join and help build the list of items ready to sell. Stitch club is open to all who would like to join.

FILL A TRAY AT MEALTIME

Look for aluminum trays on the tables in our narthex. Take some home to await any meal that has one serving left – or perhaps you've made extra food on purpose! Fill the 3 sections, add the foil cover, plus the label and bag that come with the tray. Voila! A meal for a shut-in or a person in need!

DRIVE in AND DROP off FOOD COLLECTION

If you have food for the Warminster Food Pantry that you or your friends would like to donate and the church is not open, just drive in and drop off the food under the seat of the bench outside the front door. You may still bring food into the church narthex during church and office hours. A list of the pantry's most needed items is in the narthex or on the website www.warminsterfoodbank.org. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.





WE'RE KEEPING TABS

Recycling can tabs for charity is a great idea! The tab collection program began at the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House in 1997. <https://www.rmhcphilly.org/recycle/>If you **bring them in**, we'll drop them off . . . Look for marked containers in the narthex, located on the shelf above the coat rack. No cans, please – just tabs! Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT ADVENT

SEPTEMBER 25 - 16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion
Sunday School age 4 to grade 6
- 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: George Henry
- 10:45 a.m. New Member Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- 7:30 p.m. A.A. Open Meeting

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89632518358?pwd=Smg5dm1BaoVZamZjNG1YMko2MlVvdz09>

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 7:30 p.m. A.A. Step Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

- 10:00 a.m. - noon Stitch Club

OCTOBER 2 - 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- 8:00 a.m. Traditional Holy Communion
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Holy Communion
Sunday School age 4 to grade 6
- 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Open
- 10:45 a.m. New Member Meeting