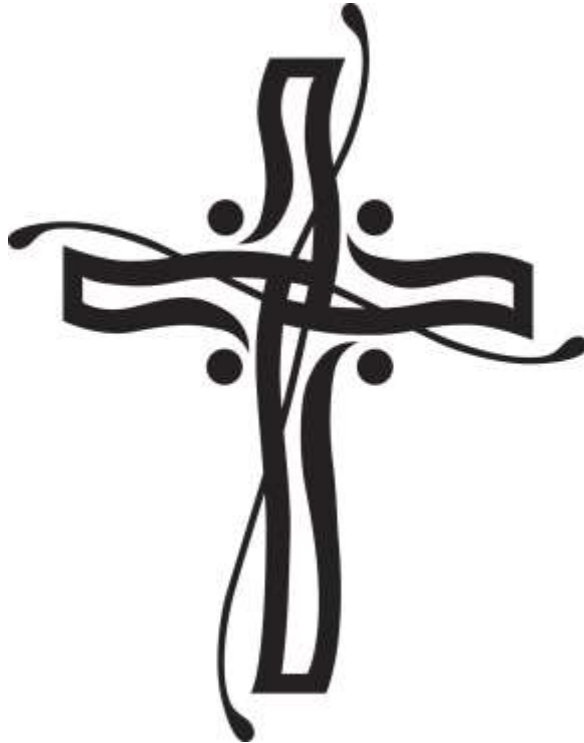


September 17, 2023
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Philip's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Opening Hymn: #579 His Mercy Is More

Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

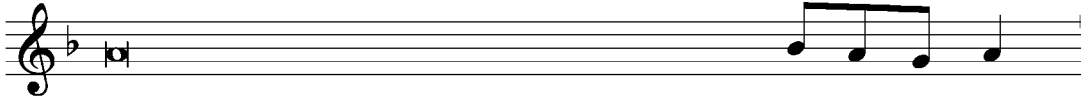
Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



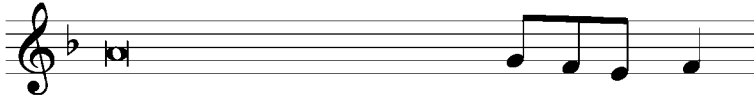
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



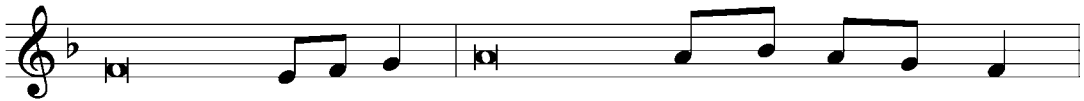
A - men.

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Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



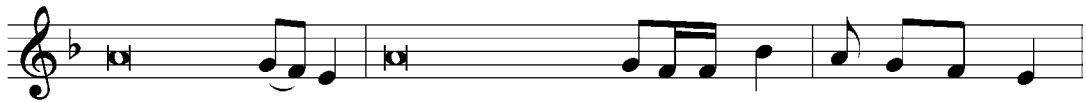
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



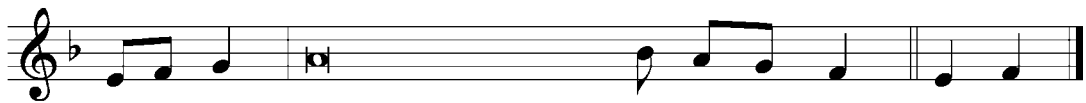
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, you graciously forgive us all our sins and abundantly provide for all our needs of body and soul. Give us confidence in your mercy, and teach us also to be merciful to our neighbor, that we willingly forgive all people, and judging only ourselves, lead blessed lives to your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they sent word to Joseph, saying, "Your father left these instructions before he died: ¹⁷ 'This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.' Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father." When their message came to him, Joseph wept.

¹⁸ His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. "We are your slaves," they said.

¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. ²¹ So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children." And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 103

Sung by K4 – 2nd grade students of St. Philip's Lutheran School

Bless the Lord, O My Soul (Psalm 103) Sovereign Grace Music

Verse 1 - My God is slow to anger when I go astray
Bless the Lord O my soul
For all of my betrayals He will not repay
Bless the Lord O my soul

Chorus 1 - Through mercy and compassion His great love is proved
He covers my transgressions like the snow
As far as east from west are all my sins removed
Bless the Lord O my soul

Verse 2 - He saved me from the pit when I had lost all hope
Bless the Lord O my soul
From endless springs of kindness all His blessings flow
Bless the Lord O my soul

Chorus 2 - Our days will fade like flowers and are quickly spent
And like the wind our years will come and go
Everlasting favor is His covenant
Bless the Lord O my soul

Verse 3 - Merciful and gracious is my God to me
Bless the Lord O my soul
And I will tell His goodness through eternity
Bless the Lord O my soul

Chorus 3 - And bless the Lord you angels, all you heav'nly hosts
And every living creature here below Praise the Father, praise the Son, and Holy Ghost
Bless the Lord O my soul, Bless the Lord O my soul

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:29-5:2

²⁹ Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

¹ Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:68



Refrain

Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Refrain

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-25

²¹ Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?”

²² Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

²³ “Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day: #733 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition*]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [*especially . . . here name the person*]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Offering

Please place your offerings in the box at the back of church.

Online giving is also available from our website or click this link:

[https://members.myoffering.com/#/landing.](https://members.myoffering.com/#/landing)

Hymn: #731, verses 1 &2, Oh, How Good It Is

Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and T give you peace.

Amen.

Hymn: #731, verse 3, Oh, How Good It Is

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Setting One from Christian Worship

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Announcements

Coming this week at St. Philip's Lutheran Church & School

<u>Monday, September 18</u>	Volleyball Game HOME vs. St. Paul's, Franklin 4:30PM
<u>Tuesday, September 19</u>	Cross Country Meet at Milwaukee Lutheran High School WLHS 5 & 6 Grade Spelling Bee – 5:00-8:00PM
<u>Wednesday, September 20</u>	Chapel 8:15AM – Everyone is invited. Cross Country Meet at Lake Park
<u>Thursday, September 21</u>	Volleyball AWAY at St. John's, Mukwonago WLHS 7 & 8 Grade Spelling Bee – 5:00-8:00PM
<u>Sunday, September 24</u>	Bible Class 9:30AM – “WORSHIP” led by Rev. Dr. Berg Worship with communion 10:30AM Rev. Dr. Berg leads worship

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sunday, October 1	Board of Education Meeting after worship 11:45AM
Sunday, October 15	Baptism Sunday, K4 – 8 Sing for worship

Volunteer Coaches Needed for Basketball Season at St. Philip's Lutheran School

If you are interested in volunteer coaching with either girls or boys basketball teams at St. Philip's we are in need of coaches. Practice times are afterschool starting at 3:30PM, twice a week. Games are usually on Friday's starting at 4:30PM. Games are played at St. Philip's as well as other sister schools in our conference. Please reach out to Mr. Schapekahm at 414-659-4688, if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity or want an application.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Must be a minimum of 18 years of age
- *Successfully complete the volunteer application procedure and pass a background check.
 - *Concussion protocol training.
- *Attend any scheduled coaching meetings.
 - *Be enthusiastic.
- *Must be patient, especially with children.
 - *Be organized. *Be dependable.



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BAPTISM SUNDAY - OCTOBER 15th

Have your children been baptized? Have you been baptized? If not, our church is providing an opportunity for you and your family to do so and at no cost to you!

We have scheduled a Baptism Sunday for: **Sunday morning, October 15th, at 10:30am.**

St. Philip's Lutheran Church will be holding a special baptism service on that Sunday. We feel baptism is of most importance for children as well as for adults. Through it God brings His promise of love and forgiveness to all.

If you desire to be baptized along with your children, please contact Pastor Raymond Kimbrough at: 414-263-1373. Pastor will briefly meet with you to give you more information and instructions about this special baptism service.

Thank you and we look forward to serving you and your family.

In Christian love,
Pastor Raymond Kimbrough
414-263-1373



LWMS Metro North Fall Rally

10/28/2023

8:00 AM

St. John's Lutheran Church, Lannon, WI

Guest Speaker: Rev. Isaac Hayes

Ministry at St. John's on the Hillside in Milwaukee



News from Wisconsin Lutheran High School

WLHS Work Days—Do you have yard work or fall cleaning that needs to get done such as raking, hedge trimming, or window washing? Consider hiring hard-working members of WLHS student council for a few hours for a free-will donation. All money raised will go to the 2023-24 WLHS mission project to the Philippines and WELS Military Services to aid in their mission work. Work days will be held on any Saturday or Sunday starting September 30 through October 22. To request a team, please E-mail workdays@wlhs.org and include your name, address, phone number, the work you need accomplished, and the day(s) this work could be completed.

WLHS Future Business Leaders of America Donations—Students in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) are required to wear a dress code when attending functions. Now in its second year, the FBLA Wisconsin Lutheran High School chapter is looking for donations of gently used business attire, specifically suit coats and blouses for both males and females. Donations can be dropped off to the reception window at Wisconsin Lutheran High School. Address questions to Mrs. Shakirah Cousins at shakirah.cousins@wlhs.org.

WLHS 6th-8th Grade Open House—Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Open House is on Sunday, October 1. Doors open at 12:45 p.m. with a program at 1:00 p.m. Grade school parents and students please join us to meet teachers, tour the school, and learn more about tuition assistance, scholarships, and the Choice Program. See what a difference academic excellence in a Christ-centered environment can make in your child's life! Interested families should register to attend at wlhs.org/openhouse.

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TO FRIENDS AND VISITORS

This is the house of God. In His Name we welcome each and every person. May His Word bring you closer to your Savior, assuring you of the forgiveness of all your sins through Jesus' death and resurrection.

If you are without a church home or have recently moved to the area, our pastor will be happy to call on you or answer your questions about church membership. If you are burdened with sorrow or trouble, we invite you to call on the pastor at any time.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

St. Philip's congregation supports and maintains a Christian Day School for the thorough training of the whole child. We want each child to know, not only how to deal with this life, but to know their Savior and prepare for eternal life. The school is called St. Philip's Lutheran School and is located at 3012 N. Holton Street.

School Office Phone: 414-263-7614
Church Office Phone: 414-263-1373

Church Service – 10:30AM
Bible Class – 9:30AM