



*Sunday, September 10, 2017*

*9:00 a.m.*

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*14th Sunday after Pentecost*

*ELW Holy Communion Setting Four*

*\*Indicates Congregation to stand as you are able*

## **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

## **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P:** Blessed be the ☩ holy Trinity,  
the one who fashions us,  
the one who heals us,  
the one who reforms us again and again.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.  
*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P:** Source of all life,

**C: we confess that we have not allowed  
your grace to set us free.**

**We fear that we are not good enough.**

**We hear your word of love freely given to us,  
yet we expect others to earn it.**

**We turn the church inward,  
rather than moving it outward.**

**Forgive us. Stir us.**

**Reform us to be a church powered by love,  
willing to speak for what is right,  
act for what is just,  
and seek the healing of your whole creation.**

**Amen.**

**P:** God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us  
and to empower our lives in the world.

Our sins are forgiven,

☩ God's love is unconditional,  
and we are raised up as God's people  
who will always be made new,  
in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

\*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

**A:** Grand designer of all things,  
The light and darkness, the dome in the midst of waters, the sky and  
dry land, the vegetation, the seasons, the swarms of living creatures,  
birds and great sea monsters, creeping things and wild animals, and  
us; all these were brought into being with a word on your lips. And  
it was good.

**C:** Amen.

CHOIR

*The Church's One Foundation*

PSALM: Psalm 119:33-40

**A:** <sup>33</sup>Teach me, O LORD, the way | of your statutes,  
and I shall keep it | to the end.

**C:** <sup>34</sup>Give me understanding, and I shall | keep your teaching;  
I shall keep it with | all my heart.

**A:** <sup>35</sup>Lead me in the path of | your commandments,  
for that is | my desire.

**C:** <sup>36</sup>Incline my heart to | your decrees  
and not to | unjust gain. **R**

**A:** <sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes from be- | holding falsehood;  
give me life | in your way.

**C:** <sup>38</sup>Fulfill your promise | to your servant,  
which is for | those who fear you.

**A:** <sup>39</sup>Turn away the reproach | that I dread,  
because your judg- | ments are good.

**C:** <sup>40</sup>Behold, I long for | your commandments;  
by your righteousness en- | liven me. **R**

INTRODUCTION TO NARRATIVE LECTIONARY

## THE READING: Genesis 1:1-31; 2:1-4a

### Chapter 1

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, <sup>2</sup>the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." <sup>7</sup>So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. <sup>11</sup>Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. <sup>16</sup>God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. <sup>17</sup>God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, <sup>18</sup>to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created humankind in his image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." <sup>29</sup>God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

## **Chapter 2**

<sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude.

<sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord GOD made the earth and the heavens,

**L:** Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **TIME FOR CHILDREN**

## **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** *Oh, Sing to God Above*

**ELW 555**

## \*APOSTLES' CREED

**A:** With the whole church let us confess our faith:

**C:** **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

**A:** Open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

**A:** We pray for the church universal. Reconcile our differences. Forgive our divisions. Unite us at your table...

**A:** Hear us, O God.

**C:** **Your mercy is great.**

**A:** ...Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## \*PEACE

**P:** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:** **And also with you.**

## OFFERING

\*OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyard Be Fruitful*

ELW 184

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

**A:** Let us pray. God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

**C:** **Amen.**

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

### \*DIALOGUE

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### \*PREFACE

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### \*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

#### \*LORD'S PRAYER

**P:** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

#### \*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you.

#### SHARING COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

*Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. You may kneel at the railing or stand. Take the bread and eat. Take the cup (wine is purple, grape juice is yellow) and drink. Keep the cup and place in bowl the provided through the side exit as you leave the altar and walk back to your pew. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.*

**COMMUNION HYMN***For the Bread Which You Have Broken***ELW 494****COMMUNION HYMN***Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal***ELW 464****PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**P:** Let us pray. Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**

**P:** God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being;  
 Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead;  
 Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church:  
 Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
 bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\*SENDING SONG *Let All Things Now Living*****ELW 881****\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Go in peace. Sound the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**~Worship Leaders~**

**Presider** ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick **Assisting Minister** ~ Vicki Schuh

**Lector** ~ Linda Mathison **Greeter** ~ Bonnie Ehrke

**Acolytes** ~ Isaiah Long & Anders Amundson

**Ushers** ~ Carol Wibralski, Dennis Ehle, Peggy Luther, Carolyn Lien

**Communion Set-up/Take-down** ~ Peace Circle

**Communion Assistants** ~ Dave & Sue Repyak

**Musician** ~ Judy Rusch **Choir Director** ~ Vicki Schuh

**Nursery** ~ Sonja Jacobson & Jenna Christensen

**Offering Counters** ~ Linda Mathison & Jean Lehr

**Audio Ministry** ~ Hilary Terland **Church Lock-up** ~ Holly Loomis



## ~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.** Thank you.

\*Denotes new/changed request.

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of Lindsay Stolen.

### **God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...**

-Kevin Porter                      -Lyle Walheim                      -Justin Bloomer  
-Sharon Chapman                -Bryan Porter                      -Lois Zerkle  
-Belva Anderson                 -Jack                                 -Brent Bergholz  
-Alma Houfe\*  
-The grieving family of Keith Morrison

### **God's protection & safety for people of the world.**

-For global refugee crisis.  
-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty.)

### **~Attendance Report~**

September 3: 66  
August 27: 64  
August 20: 309  
August 13: 86

### **Weekly Offerings Report**

9/3/17 Offerings	September Goal to meet Budget	September Offerings to - Date
\$ 4,694.60	\$ 19,340.98	\$ 4,694.60

## *~Calendar of Events~*

### **Sunday, September 10, 2017**

#### **GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS. RALLY SUNDAY**

- 8:00am           Choir Practice
- 9:00am           Worship
- 10:00am         Coffee Hour hosted by EKL Youth
- 10:15am         Sunday School/Confirmation

### **Monday, September 11, 2017**

Pastor's Day Off

### **Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

- 8:30am           Staff Meeting
- 9:00am           Peace Circle @ Eileen Hoehn's home
- 9:30am           Prayers for Our People
- 10am-1pm        Pastor's Office Hours
- 5:30pm           CART Board Meeting

### **Wednesday, September 13, 2017**

OFFICE CLOSED

- 1:00pm           Pastors Meeting at Hope Lutheran, McFarland
- 6:00pm           Confirmation
- 7:00pm           Education Committee

### **Thursday, September 14, 2017**

OFFICE CLOSED

### **Sunday, September 17, 2017**

- 9:00am           Worship
- 10:00am         Coffee Hour hosted by Hilary Terland & Lindsay Baker
- 10:15am         Sunday School/Confirmation
- 10:30am         Mutual Ministry

## ~Announcements~

### Help for Hurricane Harvey

Lutheran Disaster Response is our Lutheran organization that will be offering rescue and relief for Hurricane Harvey victims and survivors. 100% of your donation through LDR will go directly to the people in need. **If you would like to give a donation to LDR through East Koshkonong, please write a check to East Koshkonong Lutheran Church with "Lutheran Disaster Response" in the memo line.** We will collect offerings and donations through September.

If you are a Thrivent member, please consider applying for a grant to go to Lutheran Disaster Response on behalf of EKLC. Members of EKLC have already raised \$500 through Thrivent grants. You may talk to Pastor Brenda about how to apply for a grant.



Today is "God's Work. Our Hands." Sunday. We will collect change and coins for a "noisy offering" during worship for the hurricane relief.

**Join the choir!** The EKLC choir invites you to sing with us. All voices are welcome and needed as we continue our music ministry that has served this congregation for decades. Practice is at 8 A.M. on the second and fourth Sunday of each month as we sing for the 9 A.M. service. Any questions you have please call the church office at 423-3017 or Vicki Schuh at 423-4006.

**Do you enjoy decorating?** We are looking for an individual/group/or committee to handle the seasonal decorating of the church to include the narthex/sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. We have a very nice supply of seasonal items available for your use. If you like to decorate, this is a great volunteer job for you! Please contact the church office with additional questions or to sign up! Thank you !!!!

Just a reminder to bring in your **Cambridge** Piggly Wiggly grocery store receipts! A can to collect them is in the narthex. **Remember you need to use your Piggly Wiggly card when checking out for EKLC to receive credit!**  
**Thank you!!**



