



Sunday, September 18, 2016

Worship 9:00 am

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18th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
the only Sovereign, who dwells in light;
Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners;
the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of overflowing grace,

C: we come to you with repentant hearts.

Forgive us for shallow thankfulness.

Forgive us for passing by the ones in need.

Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures.

Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness.

**Bring us home from the wilderness of sin,
and strengthen us to serve you**

in all that we do and say;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

P: There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents.

By the grace of God in ✠ Christ Jesus,

who gave himself up for us all,

your sins are forgiven and you are made free.

Rejoice with the angels and with one another!

We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Let Justice Flow like Streams*

ELW 717

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: Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, “When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.”

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113

A: ¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants | of the LORD;
praise the name | of the LORD.

C: ²**Let the name of the | LORD be blessed,
from this time forth for- | evermore.**

A: ³From the rising of the sun to its | going down
let the name of the | LORD be praised.

C: ⁴**The LORD is high a- | bove all nations;
God’s glory a- | bove the heavens. R**

A: ⁵Who is like the | LORD our God,
who sits en- | throned on high,

C: ⁶**but stoops | to behold
the heavens | and the earth?**

A: ⁷The LORD takes up the weak out | of the dust
and lifts up the poor | from the ashes,

C: ⁸**enthroning them | with the rulers,
with the rulers | of the people.**

A: ⁹The LORD makes the woman of a | childless house

to be a joyful mother of children. | Hallelujah! **R**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time. ⁷For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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The assembly stands as able to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

P: The holy gospel according to Luke. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then

you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* ELW 588

HOLY BAPTISM

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Rejoicing in the Spirit's work among us, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. (*A brief silence.*) Giver of the feast, bless your church and all who hunger and thirst. Nourish us richly with your word and meal, and send us as signs of your living presence in the world...

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

A: ...Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

After sharing a sign of peace the assembly is seated.

OFFERING

The assembly stands as able to sing the offertory.

OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

Take hold of the life that really is life.

Come, take your place at the table.

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

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. Communion by intinction means that when you come forward, bread will be placed in your hand. Then you will dip the bread in the cup and eat. The chalice with purple liquid is red wine and the chalice with yellow liquid is white grape juice. 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 SONG *Lamb of God*

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COMMUNION HYMN

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

ELW 663

COMMUNION HYMN *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

ELW 656

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: God Almighty send you light and truth to keep you all the days of your life. The hand of God protect you; the holy angels accompany you; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✝ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing* ELW 389

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick

Assisting Minister ~ Holly Loomis **Lector** ~ Joy Graffin

Acolytes ~ Kody Lewellin & Cody Georgeson

Greeter ~ Tom & Trudy Spike

Ushers ~ Don & Natasha Amundson Family

Communion Set up/Take down ~ Holly Loomis & Jean Lehr

Communion Assistants ~ Joanne Gyland & Peggy Luther

Offering Counters ~ Jean Lehr & Gloria Fruit

Musician ~ Andrew Severson

Nursery ~ Natasha Amundson

Church Lock-up ~ Holly Loomis

Altar Flowers ~ Eric & Cheryl Nuenthel in honor of
Greyson Andrew Seithamer

Fellowship Coffee Hour ~ VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Attendance Report:

Sunday, September 11: 102

Sunday, September 4: 59

Sunday, August 28: 69

Sunday, August 21: 73

Treasurer's Report

July summary:

Income exceeded Expenses by \$2,600! Most likely due to July having five Sundays. Income also exceeded budget goal for July by \$2,092.92. Income year-to-date is \$19,025.20 more than for the same time last year. General Offerings year-to-date are currently trailing to meet the 2016 budget by \$11,705.94.

Weekly Offerings Report		
	September	
	Goal to meet	September
9/4/16	"Full-Time"	Offerings
Offerings	Budget	to-Date
\$ 3,882.00	\$ 16,160.71	\$ 3,882.00

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Offerings	Budget	to-Date
\$ 4,359.00	\$ 16,160.71	\$ 8,231.00



Today we welcome into Holy Baptism:
Greyson Andrew Seithamer
Parents ~ Andrew and Ellen Seithamer
Sponsors ~ Justine Westbrooks and
Kyle Downing

~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 Jens Notstad.
- Baptism of Greyson Andrew Seithamer

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

- Sharon Chapman -Kathy Bergholz -Raymond Lund
- Dorothy Salaam* -Betty Scheel* -Violet Jasensky

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: Joe Janness. 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 that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, September 18, 2016

- 9:00am Worship, Seithamer Baptism
- 10:00am Coffee Hour Host Needed
- 10:15am Sunday School
- 11:00am Acolyte Training

Monday, September 19, 2016

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for our people
- 10:00am Bible Study
- 11am-2pm Pastor's office hours

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

- 6:00pm Confirmation

Thursday, September 22, 2016

- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday, September 25, 2016

- 9:00am Worship, Wescott Baptism
- 10:00am Coffee Hour hosted by Joy Circle
- 10:15am Sunday School

~Announcements~

BUDGET REQUESTS DUE All organizations and committees of EKLC are invited to submit budget requests in to the Church office by **October 1, 2016** for the 2017 EKLC Budget. Please include a brief summary of what is to be included in this budget line item. Thank you.

Please return your Congregational Vitality Survey in the box located in the Church Narthex. Extra forms are available by the box. Thank you!

Audio Ministry Help needed recording worship services. Did you know each worship service is recorded and sent to our homebound members? This is an important ministry, and we need help! Many hands make light work. If you are interested and gifted in using recording technology, please talk to Karen Hayes or Pastor Brenda.

EKLC gets funds for Piggly Wiggly receipts! Just a reminder to bring in your **Cambridge** Piggly Wiggly grocery store receipts! A can to collect them is in the narthex.

Thank you to all who have directed your Thrivent Choice dollars to EKLC! If you're a Thrivent member and would like to direct your Thrivent Choice dollars to EKLC contact your Thrivent Representative.

Sign up for Pastor Brenda to visit you! Pastor would like to visit you at home or at work if you would like a visit. In the narthex, you will find a clipboard sign up sheet for visits from Pastor Brenda. Please sign up and she will contact you to arrange a time to visit. Thank you!

Habitat for Humanity Next Habitat build date is: 11/12.

Choir We are looking for new members! **Please consider joining us--we need you! The next rehearsal is at 8am September 25th.**

Adult Bible Study has begun on Tuesdays at 10:00am with 1 & 2 Corinthians. If you're interested but missed a study session you are welcome to attend at anytime. Please join us!

~Welcome Visitors!~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW (cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

~Sermon Notes~
