

## Pentecost 17– October 5, 2025

**Prelude**    *Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Prelude is played.*

# Welcome & Announcements

# Children's Sermon

**Opening Hymn      All People That on Earth do Dwell      ELW 883**

## Apostolic Greeting

L 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.

**Glory to God Pg. 167**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Glory to God in the highest, Amen, amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

L     The Lord be with you

C     And also with you

L Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**



## First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. <sup>2</sup> O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted. <sup>2:1</sup> I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. <sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. <sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**C Thanks be to God!**

## Psalms 37:1-9

- <sup>1</sup> Do not be provoked by <sup>1</sup> evildoers;  
do not be jealous of those <sup>1</sup> who do wrong.
- <sup>2</sup> **For they shall soon wither <sup>1</sup> like the grass,  
and like the green grass <sup>1</sup> fade away.**
- <sup>3</sup> Put your trust in the LORD <sup>1</sup> and do good;  
dwell in the land and <sup>1</sup> find safe pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> **Take delight <sup>1</sup> in the LORD,  
who shall give you your <sup>1</sup> heart's desire.**
- <sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust <sup>1</sup> in the LORD,  
and see what <sup>1</sup> God will do.
- <sup>6</sup> **The LORD will make your vindication as clear <sup>1</sup> as the light  
and the justice of your case like the <sup>1</sup> noonday sun.**
- <sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD and wait <sup>1</sup> patiently.  
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in <sup>1</sup> evil schemes.
- <sup>8</sup> **Refrain from anger, leave <sup>1</sup> rage alone;  
do not be provoked; it leads on- <sup>1</sup> ly to evil.**
- <sup>9</sup> For evildoers shall <sup>1</sup> be cut off,  
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- <sup>1</sup> sess the land.

## Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 1-14

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. Holy wisdom, holy word. **C Thanks be to God**

**Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation**

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**Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel according to Luke 17<sup>th</sup> C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup> The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. <sup>7</sup> "Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' " This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to you, O Christ**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

**O Master, Let Me Walk with You**

**ELW 818**

**Blessing and Distribution of Bibles and Installation of Teachers**

## **Receiving Bibles Today**

Ethan James Rosenbeck

Laurel Deborah Siss

Camden Charles Ferrucci

Tyler James Woolford

Ripley Nyx Baker



## Prayers of the People

L: Seeking to be faithful and obedient servants of Christ, we raise our prayers for our neighbors.

AM: For all our Christian siblings around the world, especially those whose lives are disrupted by violence or oppression, that we may stand in solidarity with them, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For all our human siblings beyond the Church, especially those who live with poverty, illness, war, or famine, that we may speak and act for their relief. Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For those in power, that they may wield it with mercy and justice, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For young people, especially today our own youth who receive communion today for the first time, that holy blessings will fill their lives, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For those who teach our youth, and their students, that their efforts be a joy to them and that their labors be effective in passing on our faith, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

AM: For any other needs you lift silently or out loud.....Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer.**

L: For all these, and any other needs we have, Lord in your mercy, **People: Hear our prayer. Amen**

## The Peace

L      The Peace of the Lord be with you all.                      C      **And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with one another. The Offering is received, and the table is prepared.*

**Anthem: I'd Rather Have Jesus   Words: Rhea F. Miller; Tune SLANE (traditional Irish melody); Arr: Tom Fettke**

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold. I'd rather be his than have riches untold. I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands, I'd rather be led by his nail pierced hands. He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom. He's sweeter than honey from out of the comb. He's all that my hungering spirit needs. I'd rather have Jesus and let him lead. I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause. I'd rather be faithful to his dear cause. I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame. I'd rather be true to his holy name. I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame. I'd rather be true to his holy name. I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold.

**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. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

# Tyler James Woolford

## Post Communion Prayer

### Benediction

L The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace. **C Amen.**

### Closing Hymn

### Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. **C Amen.**

### Postlude

*Please maintain a reverent quiet as the Postlude is.*

***Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.***



## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley  
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens  
Connie Aparo  
Phil Bascetta  
Kathleen Bowler

Rebecca Little  
Amy & Dave Louen  
Michael Maccalous  
Kari Machowski  
Mary Ellen Mackinnon

Andy Thomas  
Julia Thompson Carroll  
Kyle Thurlough & family  
Susan Tycienski  
Carol Vrlík

Cherie Brown  
Sharon Cable  
Angelo & Nicole Capasso  
Carol Cianciolo  
Emma Cortina

Jerry MacManus  
Irene Madore  
Audrey Marquard  
Abigail Marine  
Eric Marine

Steve Warner  
Renee Woodard  
Clayton Young  
Clarence & Priscilla  
Ed

Leif Dallaire  
Linda Dellano  
Carla Derrickson  
Winifried Diorio  
Irene Douglas

Richard Marine  
Janis Martin  
Gil & Marilyn Martin  
Gladys Medina  
Michael Meyers

Jen O.  
Jaiden  
Steve  
Lou W.

Judy Elliott  
Walt Esker  
Jan Eucalitto  
Jennifer Ezzo  
Weston Faith

Kate Merrow  
Colin Moore  
Brigitte Mueller  
Barbara & Dennis Nalette  
Karen Ness

Steve  
Todd  
Robert K.  
Diane A.  
Terry

Bruce & Liz Falls  
Tommy Fitzpatrick  
Sherry Franceschetti  
Bob Frantz  
Ashley Friday

Tom O'Brien  
Lea Orriola & family  
Karen Pagano  
Russell Palmer  
Maria Payne

Joe  
Carol G.  
Kristen & Jared  
Vinny  
Hagbard

John Fox  
Joan Gerard  
Liam Gregg  
Danise Hall  
Jack & Barbara Heintz

Caroline Quintal  
Ed & Susan Regner  
Jonathan Richard  
Louise Roche  
Patricia & Richard Sawitzke

Carolina  
Robert P.  
Peanut  
Colleen  
Ken

Brayden Herzberg  
Renate Higgins  
Charles Hilton  
Kathleen Hilton  
Shannon Hilton

Holly Schaff  
Rosemary & Otto Schibi  
Denae Seelye  
Matt Simpson  
Dana Steele

Kathy  
Jaxson  
Gail  
F.C.H.  
Chantel

Jake Hoadley  
Sven Holmgren  
Erma Horn  
Eunice Jones  
Colin Keeley

Sigrid Smitley  
Paul Smith  
John Sproat  
Dana & George Steele  
Jennifer Stella

Stephan  
Jason R  
Baby Wesley  
Diane L.

Marilyn Killingbeck  
Jason Lashbrook  
Gail Lavoie  
John Lewis  
David Little

Deb & Jon Sterling  
Tom Sterling Sr.  
RuthAnn Stone  
Patricia Switzer  
Gloria Thibault

### **Our Nursing Home Members**

Dee Gammon  
Midge Rosenbeck  
Judy Schaller  
Ernest Marquard  
Mae Fay  
Francine Ahrens

### **Our Military Friends**

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn  
Eric Beyus  
Major Zachary Fulton  
Brandan Holbrook  
Jonathan Connell  
Tom Gregg, Jr.  
Eric Bremer  
Peter Hutchinson  
SPC Dominic Boscarino  
PVT Noah Braatz  
PVT 2 Christian Braatz  
Aiden Avenia USCG  
2nd Lt. Ben Speaker  
Pvt. Noah Roy

## Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
Blood Drive	10/7	1-6 pm
Finance	10/8	6 pm
Congregational Meeting	10/8	7 pm
Council	10/13	7 pm

Bible Study Tuesday via Zoom

Tuesdays 6:00 pm

In person Bible Study Wednesdays

10:00 am

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays

Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays

### Offerings Summary:

<b>Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$4,561</b>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$2,904</b>
<b>Shortfall</b>	<b>(\$1,657)</b>
<b>YTD shortfall</b>	<b>(\$55,176)</b>



During the month of October help decorate the tree in the Narthex with donations of socks in all sizes and shapes. The socks will be donated at the end of the month to local service agencies. The event is sponsored by the Chris Ed and Social Concerns committees.

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# Trunk or Treat

## @ St. Paul's!

**Sunday, October 26, 2024**  
**2:00 to 3:30 pm**

**Rain or shine!**

*All are welcome regardless of tradition,  
background, or religious affiliation.*

**This is a family event so  
not-so-scary costumes only please.**



**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
**837 Charles Street, Torrington**

**860-482-3555**

**[www.stpaulstorrington.com](http://www.stpaulstorrington.com)**





CT Yankee  
Chorale rehearses  
here every  
Tuesday at 7pm

**Congregational  
Meeting October 8**

**7pm**

**Regarding the  
possible sale of part  
of St. Paul's  
property.  
Information session  
today at coffee hour**

**OCTOBER  
18<sup>TH</sup>**

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
 837 Charles Street  
 Torrington, CT

*St. Paul's Lutheran Church presents their*

**Annual Car show**



**Saturday, October 18, 2025**  
 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
 Rain date: Sat. October 25, 2025  
 Registration fee \$10  
**Food ♦ 50/50 Raffle ♦ Music**

For more info.  
 St. Paul's: 860-482-3555 or Steve: 860-601-1691



**FALL FAIR**

**Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**9:00am – 3:00pm**

**Handmade Crafts,  
Artisans Market  
Soup & Sandwich Lunch,  
Bake Sale, Theme Baskets  
and More!**

**For info: 860-482-3555**

