

Prelude 614870 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*, arr. by Albin C. Whitworth
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Announcements

Confession and Absolution

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- L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C Amen.
- L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.
- L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,
- All: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**
- L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God Forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness ELW 843

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.

Gloria

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All: glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise. Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heaven above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand. Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you

C And also with you

L Let us pray. Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

C Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 35: 4-7a

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ^{7a}the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water. Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C Thanks be to God!

Psalm 146 *chanted responsively*

¹Hal- | lelujah!

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 re- | turn 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 promis- | es 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: James 2:1-17

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [¹¹For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. Holy Wisdom Holy Word.

C Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

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C Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Holy Gospel according to Mark in the 7th Chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. ³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak." This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

ELW 708

Apostle's Creed

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.

Hymn 866 v. 3 We are praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying in the light of God., we are praying in the light of God. We are praying, we are praying. We are praying OOOO, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying, praying, we are praying OOOO, we are praying in the light of God.

Prayers of the Church

- L Our healer has called upon us to pray faithfully for our neighbors. Let us raise our voices and hearts in fervent intercession.
- AM For those in the Church who need healing of body, mind, or spirit, that they may be made whole, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For the victims of war, especially the children, that those who cause war may choose to follow the Prince of Peace, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For our planetary home, that we may tend it for our neighbors' sake, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For our nation in a time of decision, that we may be wise for our neighbors' sake, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM As we approach Sept 11, let us lift all our first responders in prayer, for their courage and sacrifice for us all, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For ourselves, that our grateful hearts may overflow in generosity. Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For any needs you now lift In silence or out loud.... Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- L For all these and any other needs, we offer our prayers in the name of Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of God's peace.

The Offering is received and the table is prepared.

The Anthem is sung *We Sing the Might Power of God* Words: Isaac Watts
Music: Dale Grotenhuijs

We seeing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. We sing the wisdom that ordained the son to rule the day; The moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey. We sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food; he formed the creatures with his word and then proclaimed them good. Lord how your wonders are displayed, where e're we turn our eyes; If we survey the ground we tread or gaze upon the skies. There's not a plant or flower below but make sure glory is known, and clouds arise and trumpets blow by order from your throne; while all life is ever in your care, And everywhere that we can be, you God, are present there, and everywhere that we can be, you, God, are present there. You, God, are present there.



Offertory Hymn

THE SACRAMENTS AND RITES OF THE CHURCH

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Take Our Bread

Refrain (Unison)

Take our bread, we ask you; take our hearts, we love you.

Take our lives, O Fa-ther, we are yours, we are yours.

1. Yours as we stand at the ta - ble you set;
2. Your ho - ly peo - ple stand - ing washed in your blood,

yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't for-get.
Spir - it - filled yet hun - gry we a - wait your food. We are

We are the sign of your life with us yet,
poor, but we've brought our-selves the best we could;

WORDS: Joe Wise, 1966
MUSIC: Joe Wise, 1966

TAKE OUR BREAD
Irr. with Refrain

The Leader speaks an Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving –

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L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Proper Preface is spoken

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Leader continues with the Great Thanksgiving.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

The Agnus Dei

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O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray. O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

All are welcome to the table of the Lord.

Communion is distributed.

Communion

Open My Eyes, That I May See, arr. by Charity Boyles c. 1987 by Lorenz Publishing Co. in "Offertories for Piano"

Post Communion Prayer

L Let us pray. O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Benediction

ELW 217

C The God of all grace, who has called you to glory, support you and make you strong.

Closing Hymn

Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

ELW 886

Dismissal

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

C Thanks be to God

Postlude *Improvisation on "Victory in Jesus", arr. by Marcia C. Newcome*

Please allow a time of reflective silence during the postlude.



Around the Church

Sept 10	Council Meeting	7 pm
Sept 12	Hilltop Advisory Meeting via Zoom	4:30 pm
Sept 14	Second Saturday Craft Fair	100:00 am
	Brother Other Concert	5:30 pm
Sept 15	Rally Day!	11:00 am

Bible Studies 6pm most Tuesdays Zoom & 10 am most Wednesdays in person

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays
Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays



Offerings Summary:
Needed Weekly \$4,948
Actually Received \$3,6200
Shortfall (\$1,328)
YTD Shortfall (\$64,531)

Minimalist bulletin

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Back to School Supply Collection

Social Concerns is collecting school supplies for kids in need!

Backpacks

Pencil Cases

Pencils

Pens

Washable Markers

Crayons

Glue Sticks

Notebooks

3 Ring Binders

Colored Pencils

Pencil Sharpeners

Erasers

Pocket tissues



We are also looking for new
packaged socks and underwear
Kids sizes 5 and up!

*Accepting items until
September 14, 2024*

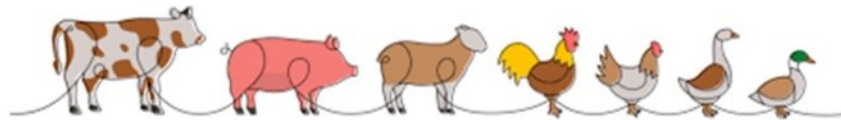
**Thank you for supporting
our effort!**





God's Barnyard
Rally Day 2024
Sunday, September 15th
11:00am
(Rain or Shine)

Bring a Stuffedie for our Barnyard Blessing of our "animals," games, stories, craft, music, and fun!



Sunday School/Confirmation Classes begin on Sunday, September 22nd @ 11am – 12pm

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
Francine Ahrens
Ben, Sheryl & Nik Ahrens
Peggy Ali
Joyce Almsted
Phil Bascetta

Jason Lashbrook
John Lewis
David Little
Rebecca Little
Linda Lundberg

George Shank
Matt Simpson
Sigrid Smitley
Paul Smith
Jennifer Stella

Eli Boda
Cherie Brown
Sharon Cable
Carol Cianciolo
Cheryl Corey

Audrey & Ernie Marquard
Abigail Marine
Eric Marine
Michael Marine
Richard Marine

Lynn Stengal
Deb & Jon Sterling
RuthAnn Stone
Julia Thompson Carroll
Clarence & Priscilla

Leif Dallaire
Emily Decker
Linda Dellano
Carla Derrickson
Sigrid Devita

Janis Martin
Mike Martin
Gil & Marilyn Martin
Michael Meyers
Rich Minelli

Ed
Jen O.
Jaiden
Shirley
Steve

Irene Douglas
Judy Elliott
Mark Ebbeskotte
Jan Eucallito
Bruce & Liz Falls

Kate Mellow
Colin Moore
Brigitte Mueller
Bill Muhl
Dennis Nalette

Lou W.
Curtis
Steve
Todd

Ashley Friday
Rosemarie Foth
Joan Gerard
Ruth Grech
Jack & Barbara Heintz

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

Robert K.
Joe
Carol G.

Brayden Herzberg
Kathleen Hilton
Shannon Hilton
Jake Hoadley
Erma Horn

Dr. Barbara Rose Ponse
Jack Quinn
Jackie Quinn Wassik
Caroline Quintal
Roman Radzins

Amy Rose Jensen
Eunice Jones
Lynn Killingbeck
Marilyn Killingbeck

Jonathan Richard
Louise Roche
Judy Schaller
Rosemary & Otto Schibi
Teri Seleman

Family and Friends of

Jack Whitbeck

Our Nursing Home Members

Dee Gammon
Midge Rosenbeck
Calvin Bensch

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
S/W Anderson James Ernst USCG
SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz

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

Fall Take Out Dinner

Saturday, September 21, 2024
Pick up between 4 and 5 pm

\$15 – Adult ♦ \$8 Kids (ages 5-10)
♦ Under 5 Free ♦

**Roast Pork, mashed potatoes,
veggies, bread
and cake for dessert!**

**OCTOBER
19TH**

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

*St. Paul's Lutheran
Church presents their*

**8th Annual
Car show**



Saturday, October 19, 2024

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Rain date: Sat. October 26, 2024

Registration fee \$10

Food ♦ 50/50 Raffle ♦ Music

For more info.

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