



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
*Followers of Christ Have Powerful
Allies*

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | *Jordan, Minnesota*

September 29, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining us for worship today! In our service we gather before our almighty and saving God to offer him our worship and praise. We also assemble to hear God’s holy and powerful word and celebrate his life-giving sacraments. Through these means, God strengthens our faith and walks us ever closer to our eternal home with him.

TODAY’S THEME

Green berets. Rangers. SEALs. Delta Force. These special forces groups are part of the United States military. They are elite: highly trained with unique skill sets. Many of their important missions are carried out in total secrecy. Two weeks ago, we acknowledged that we are in the middle of a massive spiritual war. Today, we thank God that we fight this war with the protection of special forces. Since the fifth century, Christians have observed the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels. We commemorate that God has sent Michael, one of the great archangels described in Scripture, and countless of his fellow angels to protect and serve mankind. Let us rejoice that followers of Christ have powerful allies!

Pastor.....Jeremy Glowicki
Organist.....Noah Helke

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

CW 189

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done,

and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,

according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

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

CW 190

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

For the peace from above and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

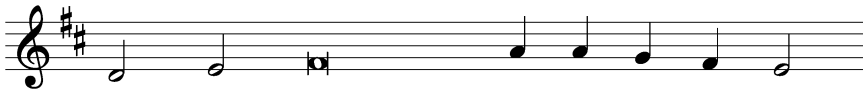
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

and for the un - it - y of all, let us pray to the Lord.

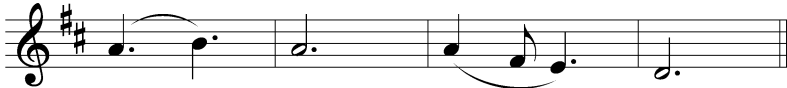
Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor - ship and

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



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



A - men. A - men.

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Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to



God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,



and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus
Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to
 God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,
 and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth; 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

2 Kings 6:8–17

As Elisha fulfilled his mission to proclaim the word and will of God, the angels fulfilled their mission by providing Elisha with protection.

Now when the king of Aram was waging war against Israel, he would make plans with his officials, saying, “My camp will be at such and such a place.” But the man of God would send a message to the king of Israel, saying, “Be careful when you pass this place because the Arameans are going down there.” So the king of Israel would send scouts to the place that the man of God had pointed out. So the man of God warned him, and he was kept safe—and not just once or twice. The king of Aram was enraged because of this. He summoned his officials and said to them, “Won't you tell me who of us is for the king of Israel?” One of his officials said, “No, my lord the king. It is Elisha, the prophet in Israel, who tells the king of Israel the words which you speak in your bedroom.” Then he said, “Go and see where he is. Then I'll send men and capture him.” He was told, “Dothan is where he is.” So he sent horses and chariots and a strong force there. They came at night and surrounded the city. When the man of God's servant got up early and went out, there were soldiers, horses, and chariots surrounding the city. So his attendant said to Elisha, “Oh no, my lord! What will we do?” He answered, “Don't be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.” Then Elisha prayed and said, “O LORD, open his eyes so that he can see.” Then the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he saw that the hills were full of horses and chariots of fire, all around Elisha.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

91A The Shadow of the Almighty

Psalms 91A

Second Reading

Revelation 12:7–12

When war broke out in heaven, Michael and his angels defeated Satan and his demons.

There was also a war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought with the dragon. The dragon fought back along with his angels, but he was not strong enough. There was no longer a place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down—the ancient serpent, the one called the Devil and Satan, the one who leads the whole inhabited earth astray—he was thrown down

to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying: Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ, because the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, the one who accuses them before our God day and night. They conquered him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony. They did not love their lives in the face of death. For this reason, rejoice, you heavens and those who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, for the Devil has gone down to you. He is full of rage, because he knows that his time is short.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

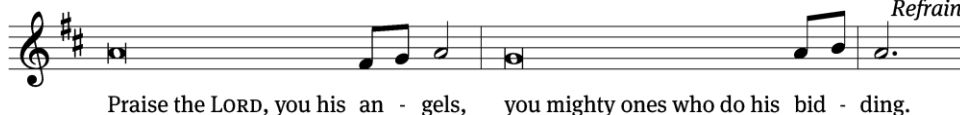
Psalm 103:20



Refrain



Tone



Gospel

Luke 10:17–20

We rejoice that Christ enables us to overcome the work of demons. We rejoice even more that our names are written in heaven.

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name!” He told them, “I was watching Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Look, I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy. And nothing will ever harm you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names have been written in heaven.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Children's Sermon

Ages 3 and up are invited to come forward for a Bible lesson.

500 Lord God, to You We Give All Praise

CW 500

Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

O Lord of hosts, eternal, immortal, and invisible King, we praise and thank you for protecting your people through your holy angels, who always behold your face and worship your majesty. Grant, we pray, as you have commanded them to do your will and to serve those who are the heirs of salvation, that they may also care for us that we may be delivered from every peril of body and soul that threatens us. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Be merciful to the people of all nations, O Lord. And since you will reveal your Son Jesus from heaven with his mighty angels to take vengeance on all who have denied you and rejected your love in Christ, extend for the nations their time of grace so that they might come to believe and live eternally. Use us as messengers of your gospel to penetrate the powers of darkness and to bring many to glory. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Look on our own land with your favor. Give our citizens a love for what is true and right. Grant your blessing to all who have authority over us. Prosper our schools and colleges as they train many to proclaim your grace. Bless those who work with their minds and those who labor with their hands so that all human work may benefit your holy Church. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Direct your holy angels to serve all who are in want, trouble, pain, sorrow, disappointment, anxiety, or any other trouble. Comfort them with your power and grace. Grant that your presence may brighten our homes, that children may learn of your tender love, and that all parents may walk in the counsel of your Son. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer.

May your holy angels serve you as they serve us and at the end of our lives lead them to carry us to the riches of paradise. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer. Amen.

Offering

During the offering, please fill out the Friendship Register in the pew and pass it down to those sitting next to you.

836 I Walk in Danger All the Way

CW 836 sts. 1, 4-6

Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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 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.

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 ✠ give you peace.
Amen.

821 On Eagle's Wings

CW 821

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News & Notes

Radio Broadcast

The radio broadcast is sponsored by Marion Bohnsack in memory of Leon Bohnsack. Thank you!

Learn More About the Bible!

Join us for a Bible study simply called “The Bible”. What is the Bible? How did we get it? What errors are there swirling around about the Bible? Class meets in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

25th Anniversary in the Ministry Celebration

Pastor Glowicki is celebrating 25 years in the Ministry. Join us for a special service on October 27th at 4 pm. Pastor Terry Balogh, Pastor Glowicki’s childhood pastor and a former Vicar at Jordan will preach. A potluck dinner will follow the service. Chicken will be provided. Please RSVP using the QR code for planning purposes.



Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting will be on October 1st at 6:30 pm. All committee members from Adult and Youth Discipleship, Properties and Evangelism are included.

Senior Coffee Fellowship

The next senior coffee fellowship will take place on Thursday, October 3rd at 10:00 am in the Fireside Room.

Acolyte and Media Booth

We need volunteers to acolyte and run the media booth. The link for the sign-up genius can be found in the E-news, or at spljordan.com under the “member info” tab. If your child wants to learn please contact Pastor Glowicki.

Meals on Wheels

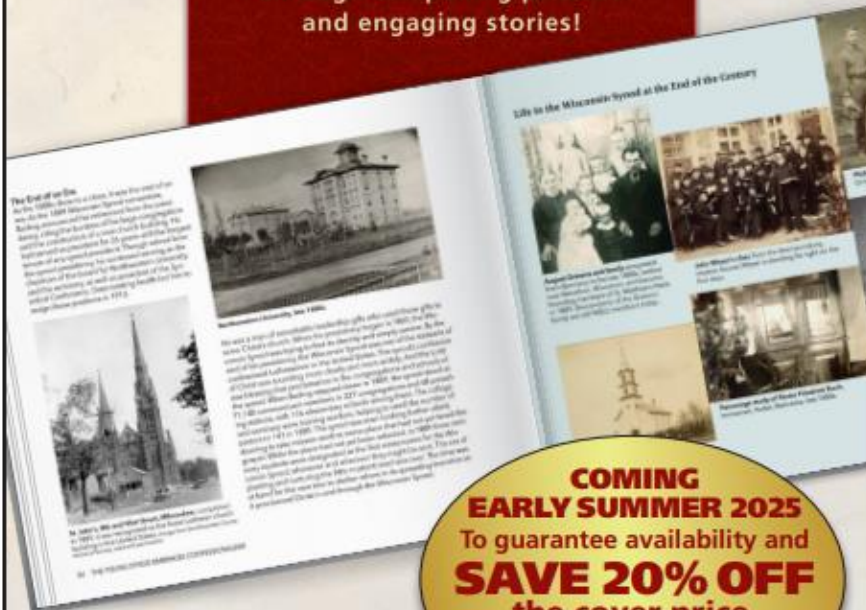
Thank you to the Meals on Wheels drivers for the month of September. Your service to our community is greatly appreciated!

Gertens Holiday Fundraiser

Don’t forget to order your holiday greens and poinsettias! Product information, as well as the order form, can be found on the table near the Fellowship Hall. Orders can also be placed online at GertensFundraising.com (store ID: 462). October 20th is the last day to order. Please make checks out to “Pioneers”.

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9/29	9 Am (Need Volunteer)	3	(Need Volunteer)	Noah Helke
10/6	9 AM Leah Bertrang	4	Ryan Bertrang	Noah Helke
10/13	9 AM Greta Newton	1	(Need Volunteer)	Lois Zander

October Altar Guild	October Cleaners
Melanie Sparby/Jodi Bertrang	-
October Counters	Fall Service Group Leader
-	Dianne Jabs
November Altar Guild	
Angela Ambroz/Nancy Stocker/Brenda Stocker	

Attendance	
Sunday	96
Monday	12
Total	108

Gifts To Our Lord		
	Received	Needed
Current	\$2050	\$3834
Online Giving	\$1040	
Total	\$3090	\$3834



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