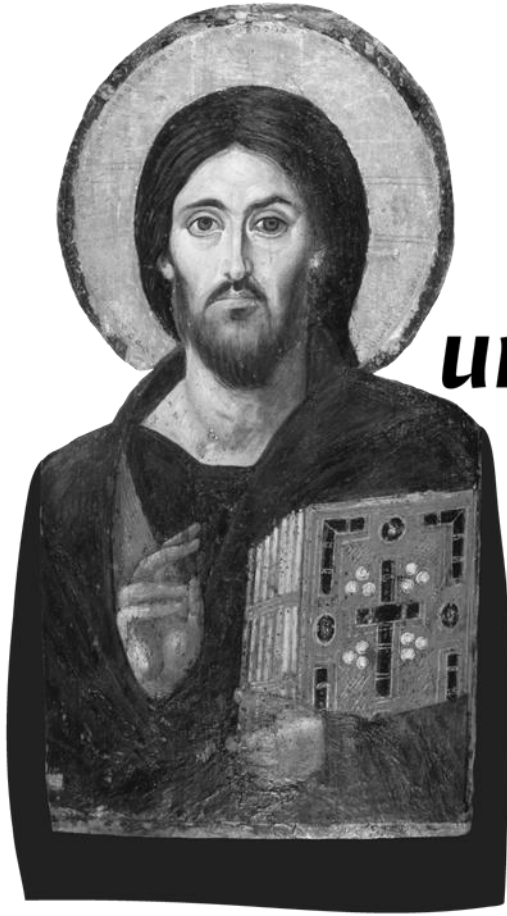




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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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Grace is Amazing

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don’t worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children’s Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

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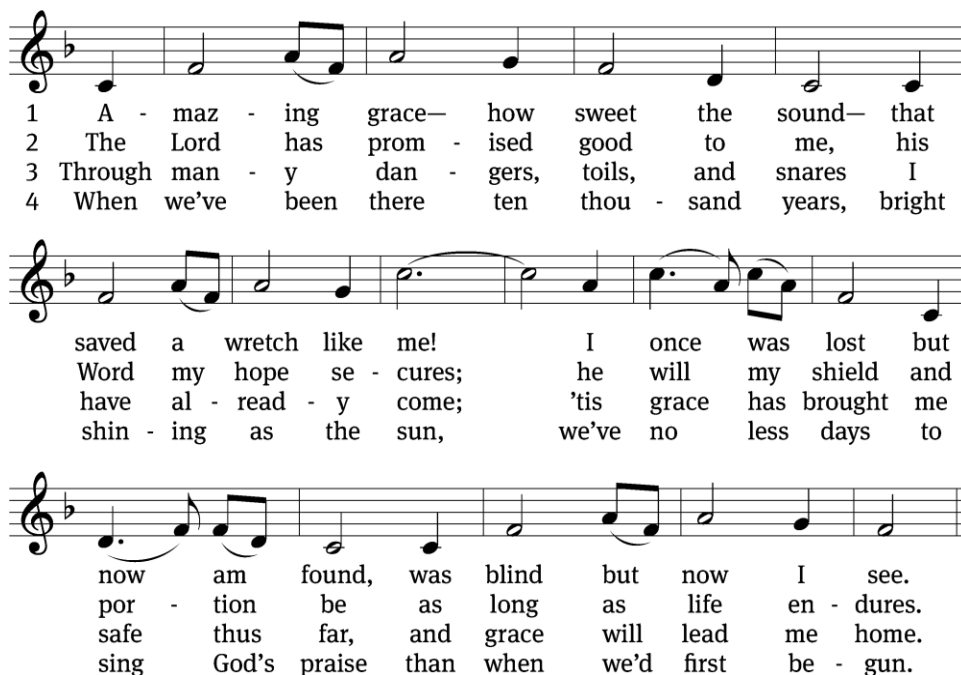
Presiding Minister & Preacher
Organist

Pastor Aaron Winkelman
Amy Balza

The Service, Setting One

Amazing Grace

CW 576



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— that
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind but now I see.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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Stand

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

Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just

and will forgive us our sins

and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

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

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory Be to God on High

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



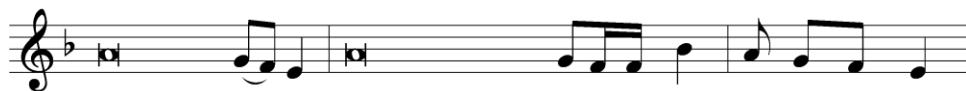
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



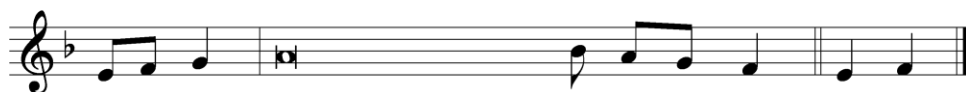
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and promise to reward us according to your grace. Help us to rid our minds of worldly expectations and rejoice that you freely pour out the blessings of salvation to all people; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Jonah 3:10—4:11

¹⁰When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

¹But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the LORD, “Isn’t this what I said, LORD, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. ³Now, LORD, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live.”

⁴But the LORD replied, “Is it right for you to be angry?”

⁵Jonah had gone out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. ⁶Then the LORD God provided a leafy plant and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the plant. ⁷But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the plant so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah’s head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, and said, “It would be better for me to die than to live.”

⁹But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?”

“It is,” he said. “And I’m so angry I wish I were dead.”

¹⁰But the LORD said, “You have been concerned about this plant, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. ”And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Not unto Us

CW 582 sts. 1, 4

1 Not un - to us, not un - to us be glo - ry, Lord;
4 Not un - to us but to your name be glo - ry, Lord,

not un - to us but to your name be praise;
for grace so rich, so wide, so high, so free.

not un - to us but to your name all hon - or be giv'n
A - bide with us till trav - 'ling days are o - ver and done,

for match - less mer - cy, for - give - ness, and grace.
and pil - grim feet lead us home, Lord, to you.

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Second Reading

Romans 9:6–16

⁶It is not as though God's word had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. ⁷Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham's children. On the contrary, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." ⁸In other words, it is not the children by physical descent who are God's children, but it is the children of the promise who are regarded as Abraham's offspring. ⁹For this was how the promise was stated: "At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son."

¹⁰Not only that, but Rebekah's children were conceived at the same time by our father Isaac. ¹¹Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad—in order that God's purpose in election might stand: ¹²not by works but by him who calls—she was told, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³Just as it is written: "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

¹⁴What then shall we say? Is God unjust? Not at all! ¹⁵For he says to Moses,

"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy,
and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."

¹⁶It does not, therefore, depend on human desire or effort, but on God's mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

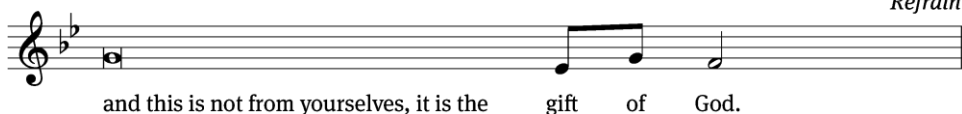
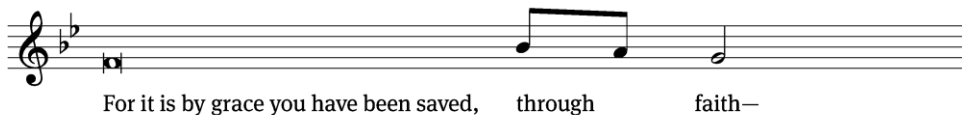
Ephesians 2:8



Refrain



Tone



¹“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ²He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

³“About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. ⁴He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ ⁵So they went.

“He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. ⁶About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’

⁷“ ‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered.

“He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’

⁸“When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’

⁹“The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. ¹⁰So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. ¹¹When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. ¹²“These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’

¹³“But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? ¹⁴Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. ¹⁵Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

¹⁶“So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Salvation unto Us Has Come

CW 558 sts. 1, 3-5, 10



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come by God's free grace and
3 It was a false, mis - lead - ing dream that God his law had
4 From sin our flesh could not ab - stain, sin held its sway un -
5 Yet as the law must be ful - filled or we must die de -
10 All bless - ing, hon - or, thanks, and praise to Fa - ther, Son, and



fa - vor; good works can - not a - vert our doom, they help and
giv - en that sin - ners could them-selves re-deem and by their
ceas - ing; the task was use - less and in vain, our guilt was
spair - ing, Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled, our hu - man
Spir - it, the God who saved us by his grace; all glo - ry



save us nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, who
works gain heav - en. The law is but a mir - ror bright to
e'er in - creas - ing. None can re-move sin's poi - soned dart or
na - ture shar - ing. He has for us the law o - beyed and
to his mer - it! O tri - une God in heav'n a - bove, you



did for all the world a - tone; he is our one Re-deem-er.
bring the in - bred sin to light that lurks with - in our na - ture.
pu - ri - fy our wick - ed heart, so deep is our cor - rup - tion.
thus the Fa-ther's venge-ance stayed which o - ver us im - pend - ed.
have re-revealed your sav - ing love; your bless - ed name be hal - lowed!

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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

**He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

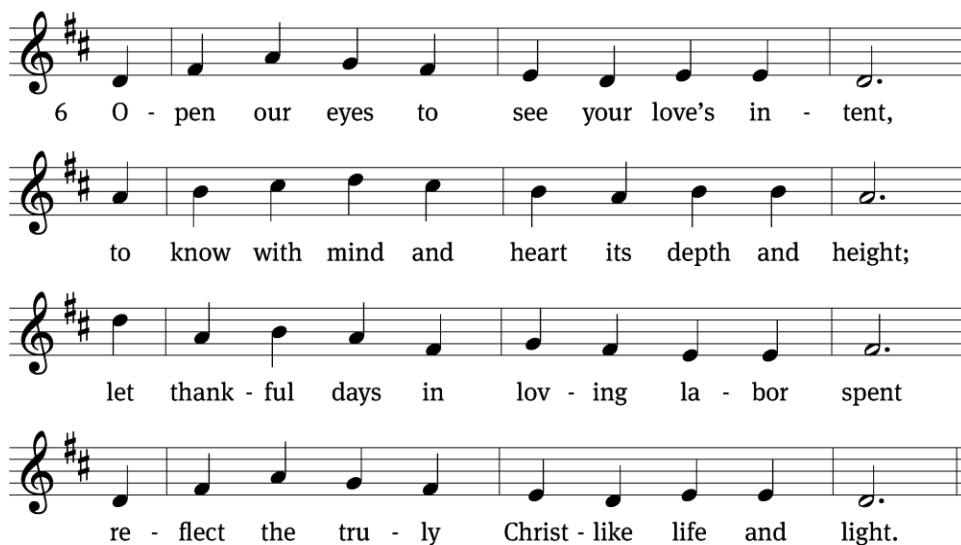
Amen.

Offering

If you wish to give an electronic offering, you may use the QR code located at the end of the bulletin or you may go to pilgrimcares.org/giving. We present the offerings before the altar as a reminder that our giving overflows out of the Gospel and is itself an act of worship.

Offering Hymn

CW 754 st. 6



6 O - pen our eyes to see your love's in - tent,
to know with mind and heart its depth and height;
let thank - ful days in lov - ing la - bor spent
re - flect the tru - ly Christ - like life and light.

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The Sacrament

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Because of the Bible's teaching regarding altar fellowship, our congregation observes the historic church's practice of close communion. We welcome communicant members of WELS and ELS congregations to receive the Sacrament today as an expression of our shared confession of faith.

As you prepare to receive our Savior's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, we encourage you to review the Christian Questions on pages 295–296 of the blue hymnal as a devotional preparation.

If you would like to learn more about our beliefs and practices, we invite you to speak with our pastor, who would be happy to visit with you.

Stand

Preface

CW 165

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -
san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.' The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases repeated. The final phrase 'A - men.' is marked with a long horizontal line, indicating a sustained note or a long pause.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

Be seated

Distribution

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

CW 675



- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
- 2 Praise we him whose love di - vine gives his
- 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, death's dread
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 thro' the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
 hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie.
 You have conquered in the fight,
 you have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

- 6 Now no more can death appall,
 now no more the grave enthrall;
 you have opened paradise,
 and your saints in you shall rise.
 Alleluia!

- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 newborn souls in you to be.
 Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days,
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
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.

Gracious Savior, Gentle Shepherd

CW 757 sts. 1, 4

1 Gra - cious Sav - ior, gen - tle Shep - herd, chil - dren all are
4 Taught to love the ho - ly prais - es which on earth your

dear to you; may your lov - ing arms en - fold them
chil - dren sing, with their lips and hearts, sin - cere - ly,

in your care their whole life through. By your tend - ing
glad thank - of - f'rings may they bring, then with all the

and pro - tect - ing keep them safe in all they do.
saints in glo - ry join to praise their Lord and King.

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Weekly Parish Calendar

September 20 - September 27

TODAY (20)	8:00 & 10:30 AM	Divine Services w/ Holy Communion
	9:15 AM	Bible Class & Sunday School
MONDAY (21)	5:00 PM	Elders Meeting
	6:30 PM	Church Council Meeting
TUESDAY (22)	4:30 PM	Home Volleyball Games vs. St. John's, Mukwonago
WEDNESDAY (23)	4:00 PM	Cross Country Meet - Crown of Life
	6:30 PM	Divine Service
	7:30 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY (24)	4:15 PM	Home Volleyball Games vs. Living Hope
SUNDAY (27)	8:00 & 10:30 AM	Divine Services
	9:15 AM	Bible Class & Sunday School

Readings for Next Sunday, September 27

First Reading: **2 Kings 6:8-17**

Second Reading: **Revelation 12:7-12**

Gospel: **Luke 10:17-20**

News & Notes

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Jim and Marla Gregovich in celebration of their fifty-first wedding anniversary. Happy anniversary Jim and Marla!

Have You Downloaded Church Center? Have you downloaded the Church Center app yet? If not, scan the QR code below to get started! Church Center is a convenient way to stay connected with what's happening at Pilgrim. Take some time to explore the app and discover its features, including our church calendar and groups. If you see a group that interests you, feel free to join! As we continue developing how we use Church Center at Pilgrim, we'd love to hear from you. Have feedback, questions, or suggestions? Please reach out to David Porth. Scan the QR code to download Church Center and start exploring!



Sunday School has begun! Sunday School is on Sunday mornings from 9:15-10:15am for kids ages 3-8th grade to enjoy music, Bible lessons, and activities based on God's Word. You can join anytime! Please register via the QR code or you can register at school on Sunday morning.

Welcome, Pilgrim moms! Let's meet for Bible study on Wednesdays at 9:30am this year. Little ones are welcome to join as we gather to study God's Word and leave feeling built up by a group of sisters in Jesus. Please see the qr code for information about where the group will meet throughout the month of September.



Thank you to all who purchased books on Amazon to help stock the fifth and sixth grade classroom's new Thrivent grant-funded bookshelf. We appreciate your support of our school! Your gift will help students with cultural, social, and emotional learning and grow a lifelong love for reading.



CONNECT GROUP SURVEY We're looking for ways to help our members connect, grow, serve, and build relationships at Pilgrim. Please take a few minutes to complete our Connect Group Survey and share your interests and preferences. Your feedback will help us develop opportunities that are meaningful and engaging for our church family.

Hello! As we kick off our Fall Worship and Bible Study/Sunday School schedule, let's also kick off the Helping \$5!!! Please bring a box of granola bars (or 2!!) to church on Sunday and throughout the month of September. Items collected will be taken to the Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Food Pantry. Thank you for your generosity!

The Tabitha Society will meet on Thursday afternoon, October 1st (right when you turn that calendar page!) at 1:30 in the conference room at school. Our guest speaker will be Senior Seminarian Charlie Ungemach, who will answer the question "What Is the Role of a Vicar?" and share his experiences from the past year as a vicar in South Carolina. As always, all women of Pilgrim are welcome to attend. We'd love to have you join us! Cathy Hibbard and Elke Warren will provide refreshments for this meeting. If you have questions about the Tabitha Society, speak to Chris Bachmann, Irene Lape, or Joan Meier. See you soon!

Pilgrim will be hosting a Versiti Blood Drive on Thursday, October 8 from 1:30pm – 6:00pm. To schedule your appointment use the qr code on the included flyer. Spread the word and encourage your friends and family to come too!

Pilgrim's next Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20th at Smart Cow Yogurt Bar located at N91W17271 Appleton Avenue #3 in Menomonee Falls. A percentage of the entire day's sales is donated directly back to our school. Smart Cow is open from 12pm to 9pm Tuesday through Sunday.

Last Call for Germany 2027! Join Pastor Winkelman and Pastor Vanderhoof along with 20 other travellers for a 10 day tour of Germany as we explore the history of the Lutheran reformation through the art and architecture of that period. We will travel from Berlin to Munich by way of Leipzig, Mainz, and Heidelberg stopping at castles and cathedrals all along the way. Tour dates are March 29 - April 7, 2027. For more information or to register, contact Pastor Winkelman by October 1st.

WLHS Fall Work Days - Do you have yard work or fall cleaning that needs to get done such as raking, hedge trimming, or window washing? Consider hiring hard-working members of WLHS Student Council for 2-3 hours for a free-will donation. All money raised will go to the 2026-27 WLHS mission project to Nepal and Lighthouse Youth Ministry to aid in their mission work. Work days will be held on the following Saturday and Sundays October 17, 18, 24 and 25. To request a team, email workdays@wlhs.org and include your name, address, phone number, the work you need accomplished, and the day(s) this work could be completed.

Band and Choir Concert: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Concert Band and the Wisconsin Lutheran Choir and Chamber Choir will perform their **Fall Showcase Concert** on **October 9 and 10**. The performances will take place in the Center for Arts and Performance at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased at wlc.news/fall-showcase-26 or by calling 414.443.8802.

Serve Up Some Fun - Get ready to grab a paddle and join us for a National Honor Society Pickleball Tournament at Wisconsin Lutheran High School on October 10! Whether you're a seasoned pickleball player or just looking for a fun way to spend the day, come out for some friendly competition, laughs, and a great cause. Bring your friends, bring your family, and bring your best game! All proceeds will support the WLHS National Honor Society and its service projects. Visit <https://wisco.wufoo.com/forms/2026-wisco-pickleball-tournament/> for more information and to sign up.

Raising Teens in a Challenging World on Sunday, November 8, from 2:00–3:30 p.m. in the KML Performing Arts Center. Hear Wisconsin Lutheran College students reflect honestly on technology, pressure, relationships, independence, faith, and what they wish their parents had understood. This free, Christ-centered event is open to everyone. Please use the qr code for more information and to register.



You are invited to our annual Friends of the Seminary Day on Saturday, October 10! Arrival and refreshments run from 8:00–9:00 am followed by worship in the chapel, a faculty speaker, student panel discussion, lunch, and an optional seminary tour. As we begin our school year, we are excited to share the ways God is blessing your gifts and using them to prepare pastors. After worship, attendees will hear from Professor E. Allen Sorum sharing his reflections on over 40 years of pastoral ministry. Following his presentation, a panel of seminary students will provide insights on their paths to becoming pastors and their experiences as seminary students. We hope you will encourage your friends and relatives—all ages are welcome—to attend with you. It's one of our favorite days on campus because we get to enjoy fellowship and encouragement with others who share the same faith, hope, and purpose. Reserve your seat, by September 25, by calling Mrs. Leah Leyrer at [262.242.8100](tel:262.242.8100).

8:00am

10:30am

Ushers

9-20	Glen Kuphall Karl Osterman	Jim Prekop Collin Mayer
9-27	Matt Lawonn Keith Gennerman	Bryan Giesenschlag Glen Kuphall

Wednesday Ushers are Pat Renner and Jason Marten

Worship Hosts

9-20	Josh & Sarah Bauer	Peggy Haas & Carol Bradtke
9-27	Joe & Marlene Bedalov	Melissa & Allen Brander

Attendance

9-9	29
9-13	181 + 195 = 376



Pilgrim Lutheran Church can receive offerings electronically through a secure website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone (you might need to download a free QR scanning app) to be directed to Pilgrim's giving page or visit pilgrimcares.org/giving. Save the check – give online!

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PILGRIM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

WHEN & WHERE

**THURS, OCT 8
1:30-6PM**

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PROMOTION

GIVE BLOOD, GO TO CHINA! GIGITS 2026
LEGENDS COME ALIVE AND RECEIVE
\$5.00 OFF GENERAL ADMISSION.

Use code **VST26** in appointment notes



◀ Schedule your appointment
*Appointments preferred.
Walk-ins welcome!*



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