

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SERVICE TIME: Sundays 9:30 am

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COMMUNION PRACTICE: To care for Christ's flock, this congregation practices closed communion. If this is your first time communing under Pastor Hambleton, please speak with him before the service. If you will not be receiving the Sacrament of the Altar, we invite you forward and to cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing.

THE CRY OF FAITH: LORD, HAVE MERCY: The ten lepers cried out from a distance, "*Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!*" (Luke 17:11-19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. "*Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God*" (Gal. 5:16-24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, "*Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy,*" eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, "*Go and show yourselves to the priests.*" And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus' help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus' cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10-23).

INTROIT (*spoken responsively*) Ps. 84:1-2a, 10b, 11b; antiphon Ps 84:9-10a

- P** Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!
For a day in your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.
- C** **How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!**
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord.
- P** Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!
- C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God**
than a dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- P** The Lord bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
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COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

GRADUAL (*spoken responsively*) Ps. 92:1-2

- P** It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
- C** **to declare your steadfast love in the morning,**
and your faithfulness by night.

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OLD TESTAMENT: Proverbs 4:10-23

Hear, my son, and accept my words, that the years of your life may be many. I have taught you the way of wisdom; I have led you in the paths of uprightness. When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble. Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life. Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil. Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on. For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble. For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence. But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble. My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

EPISTLE: Galatians 5:16-24

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry,

sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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