

**Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements**

**MISSION FESTIVAL:** Our annual Mission Festival will be held on Sunday, Sept. 23rd. Vicar Nick Naumann will be preaching at this service. We will also have 2 of our young people, Kirsten and Nichole Brandle report on their Mission-Helper trip this past summer to Zambia.

**MISSION FESTIVAL SIGN-UP:** Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the entry-way if you are planning on coming to the Mission Festival meal after church. Thanks!



*I will bless the Lord at all times;  
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.*

**PSALM 34:1**

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**KNOW GOD THROUGH LOVE**

**Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School is a confessional Lutheran Church.**

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or **e-mail** him at *[mbern@juno.com](mailto:mbern@juno.com)*

More Information and Audio Sermons at [www.peacethruchrist.org](http://www.peacethruchrist.org)



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**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost • September 9, 2018**

**Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 34**

## **THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

**Lutheran Hymnal, p.5**

- Opening Hymn: . . . . . 537**
- Before Sermon: . . . . . 331 (1-4)**
- Offering: . . . . . 792**
- After Prayers: . . . . . 331 (5-8)**
- After Benediction: . . . . . 392 (1-2, 4)**

## Scripture Readings:

### Ezekiel 33:7-11

In His mercy God sent Ezekiel to be the watchman to warn the children of Israel concerning the impending destruction of the LORD because of their unbelief and rejection of the Lord God. Ezekiel was a faithful watchman who did not fail to proclaim all that God had revealed to him---both the condemning force of God's Law against sin and God's message of redeeming love which leads to repentant faith.

*7 "So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me. 8 When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. 9 Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. 10 "Therefore you, O son of man, say to the house of Israel: 'Thus you say, "If our transgressions and our sins lie upon us, and we pine away in them, how can we then live?" ' 11 Say to them: 'As I live,' says the Lord God, 'I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn, turn from your evil ways! For why should you die, O house of Israel?'*

### Romans 13:1-10

The Lord through the Apostle Paul powerfully proclaims the Christian's role as a citizen under an unspiritual, immoral government and living among an unbelieving society. Christians are called upon to be obedient to the government out of love to God and to bear witness to God's love by showing love to all and leading others to see and know Jesus' love.

*13 Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. 2 Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. 3 For*

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**OFFERINGS** 9/2 for Unified Budget: \$2,090  
\$100 Kinship  
\$50 Benevolence Fund

**IN YOUR MAILBOX:** September Calendar & Newsletter,

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS:** We continue our study of the Minor Prophets with a study of the book of Haggai. This Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Come learn with us!

**CHURCH COUNCIL:**  
Meets next Sunday after church @ 11:15 a.m.

#### CLC NEWS:

- Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN, has called Pastor Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ.

#### MORNING CHAPELS FROM IMMANUEL LUTHERAN COLLEGE:

can now be listened to via podcast. These morning chapels are available through iTunes, Google Podcasts, Spotify, or wherever you might listen to your podcasts. Search for "Morning Chapels from ILC" and subscribe to get daily comfort from God's Word delivered straight to your phone.

#### CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS:

Are available on the table by the mailboxes.

#### MOWING:

Even with our new automower (Bruce Mowbot), there is still need for some mowing and trimming. Please sign up for a shorter service of work each week. Thanks!

#### BENEVOLENCE:

The Church Council voted to send \$500 to the Go Fund Me program for Elinor Gbedey.

\$250 came from reserve fund from the past and \$250 from this year's Benevolence Fund. If you would like to help reimburse this fund, please do so. Mark your offering Benevolence Fund. If you would like to give to the Go Fund Me program, please go to: [https://www.gofundme.com/ma.gbedey-down-in-cape-town?pc=em\\_co\\_shareflow\\_m&rcid=r0l-153313825239-bbff0872bc5346f4](https://www.gofundme.com/ma.gbedey-down-in-cape-town?pc=em_co_shareflow_m&rcid=r0l-153313825239-bbff0872bc5346f4)



hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector. 18 "Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 "Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."

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### PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank the Lord for your presence with us this morning. May the message of our Savior's love for us—a love which led Him to the cross and a love which continues to seek to lead sinners to repentance—fill your hearts with a thankful desire to come again and hear your Savior speak to you through His Word. Please also sign our guest register.

#### This Week:

##### Today

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Saul  
Bible Class: Study on Prayer  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
11:15 a.m. Rally Day/Church Picnic

**Tuesday** 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan

**Wednesday** 9-11:30 a.m. Children's Play Group

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

**Thursday** 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage

#### Next Sunday:

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
11:15 a.m. Church Council

#### IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:  
A. Albrecht B. Brandle  
Counters today:  
Ruth Bernthal & Pam Schulz

**SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY/  
CHURCH PICNIC:** After church!

**ATTENDANCE:** 9/2: 31

rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. 4 For he is God's minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God's minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. 5 Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience' sake. 6 For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God's ministers attending continually to this very thing. 7 Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor. 8 Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

**The Sermon:** read/listen to sermons at [www.peacethruchrist.org](http://www.peacethruchrist.org)

Sermon: **Matthew 18:15-20**

## AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER? YES...

**I: Love will lead us to rebuke our sinning brother for his soul's sake.**

**II: Love will lead us to forgive our repentant brother in Christ.**

15 "Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that 'by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.' 17 And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church. But if he refuses even to