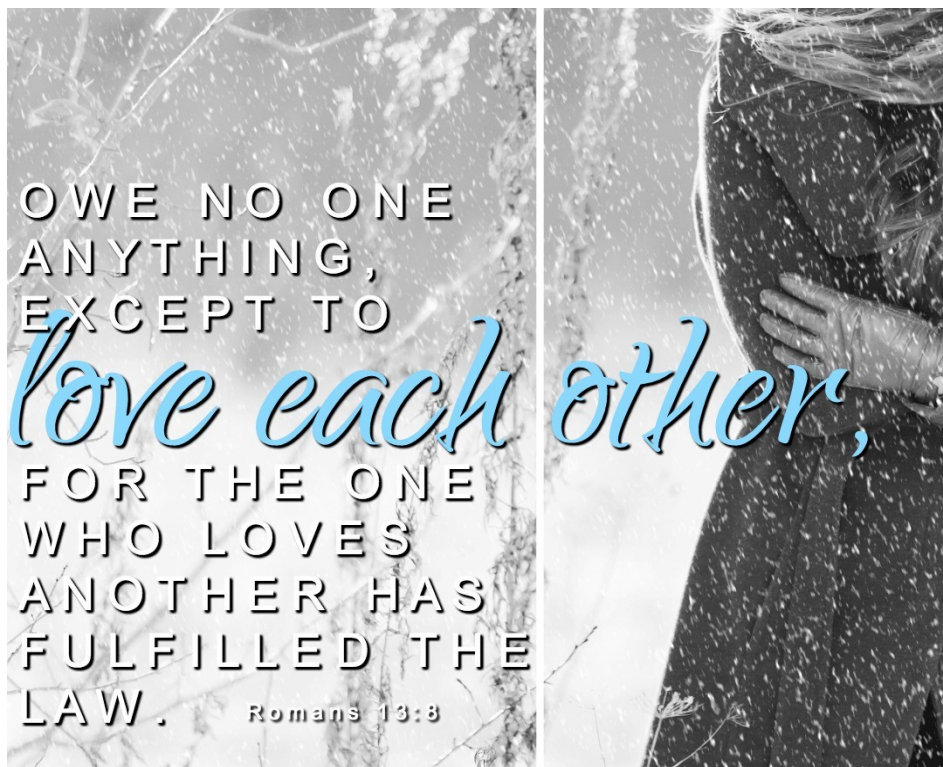


Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

September 6, 2020



14th Sunday after
Pentecost



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*Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in
Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.*

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WORSHIP

10:00 am

Divine Service IV

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Pre-Service Music

Video: A Labor Day Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Salutation

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always

G And also with you.

*With a wave of your hand share the Peace of Christ with your
fellow worshipers from where you sit.*

797 Praise the Almighty (sts 1-3) [A Lamb of God Favorite]



1 Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore Him!
2 Trust not in rul - ers; they are but mor - tal;
3 Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er



Yes, I will laud Him un - til death; With songs and
Earth - born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from sal -



an - thems I come be - fore Him As long as
coun - sels at life's last por - tal, When the dark
va - tion can noth - ing sev - er, And who in



He al - lows me breath. From Him my life and
grave en - gulf its prey. Since mor - tals can no
hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in



all things came; Bless, O my soul, His ho - ly name.
help af - ford, Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord.
Him, our Lord Will aid and coun - sel now af - ford.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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Confession and Absolution

Please stand as able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 32:1-7

P ¹ Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

C ² **Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD
counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

P ³ For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

C ⁴ **For day and night your hand was heavy upon
me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of
summer.**

P ⁵ I acknowledged my sin to you,

C **and I did not cover my iniquity;**

P I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”

C **and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P ⁶ Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

C **surely in the rush of great waters,**

they shall not reach him.

P ⁷You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;

C **you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

C **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Kyrie *LSB 204*

**C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

948 All Glory Be to God Alone (sts 2-5)



2 We praise You, God; Your name we bless And wor-ship You in
3 Lord God, our King on heav-en's throne, Our Fa-ther, the Al-
4 You take the whole world's sin a-way; Have mer-cy on us,
5 You on-ly are the Ho-ly One And o-ver all are



hum-ble-ness; From day to day we glo-ri-fy The
might-y One. O Lord, the sole-be-got-ten One, Lord
Lord, we pray. You take the whole world's sin a-way; O
Lord a-lone. O Je-sus Christ, we glo-ri-fy You



ev-er-last-ing God on high. Of Your great glo-ry
Je-sus Christ, the Fa-ther's Son, True God from all e-
Lord, re-ceive our prayer this day. From God's right hand Your
and the Spir-it, Lord Most High; With Him You ev-er-



do we sing, And to Your throne our thanks we bring.
ter-ni-ty, O Lamb of God, to You we flee.
mer-cy send, To all the world Your grace ex-tend.
more shall be One in the Fa-ther's maj-es-ty.

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

Children's Message



Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 33:1-9

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“Son of man, speak to your people and say to them, If I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from among them, and make him their watchman, ³and if he sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the trumpet and warns the people, ⁴then if anyone who hears the sound of the trumpet does not take warning, and the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. ⁵He heard the sound of the trumpet and did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But if he had taken warning, he would have saved his life. ⁶But if the watchman sees

the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any one of them, that person is taken away in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Lesson: Romans 13:1-10

¹Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. ³For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, ⁴for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. ⁶For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. ⁷Pay to

all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:1-20 *Matthew 18:1-20*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” ²And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷“Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man came to save the lost. ¹²What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over

the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

[P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.

[C] Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

[C] I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came
down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according
to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is
worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and
apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

966 Before You, Lord, We Bow



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove
2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,
3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est green,
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev -
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor-ship Him a - lone. Cast down
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo-rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!
bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.
'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grate - ful song.
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.
less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

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Sermon: Romans 13:1-10

Offering

Please stand as able

Offering Statement

- P** Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 pm.

Offering Verse: Romans 13:8

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

785 We Praise You, O God *sts. 1, 3*



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.

We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

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Please be seated.

Prayers

Prayer of the Church

[P] Blessed Lord, You have promised that where two or three are gathered in Your name, You are in the midst of them. Hear the prayers of Your people, and grant our supplications.

Brief silence

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**

P Hear us, O Lord, who cry to You in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, whom with the Spirit, You are one God and one Lord, now and forevermore.
C **Amen.**

Please stand as able

Lord's Prayer *LSB 241*

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.**

Close of the Service

Benedicamus *LSB 212*

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

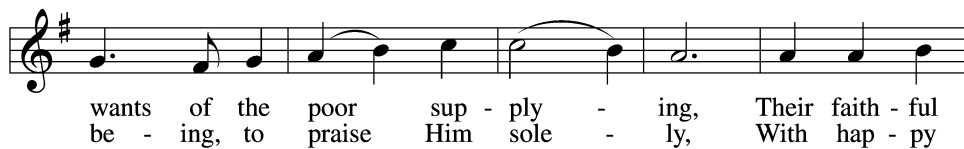
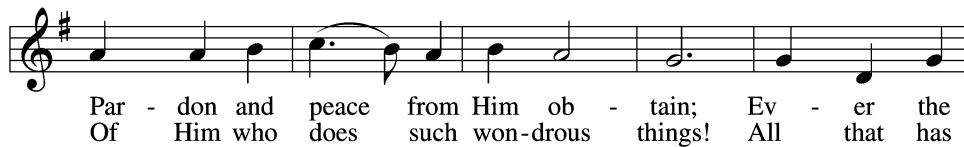
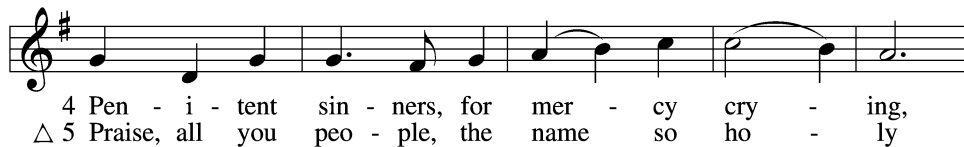
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

797 Praise the Almighty (sts 4-5)

[A Lamb of God Favorite]



in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther - less.
 an - gel host Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Sharing of the Peace

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always

C And also with you

P Please take a moment today to call, or text, or through your choice of social media, reach out to your brothers and sisters and neighbors with fellowship and friendship. Be especially vigilant concerning those around you who may need your help with transportation, or groceries, or other needs that you may be in a position to help with. Reach out with the love of Christ as His Church

Closing Peace

P Go in peace, serve the Lord

C Thanks be to God

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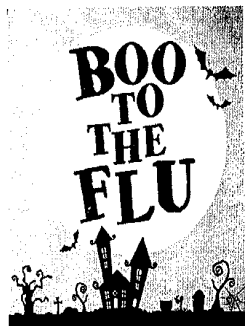
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10:00 am

In the Fellowship Hall

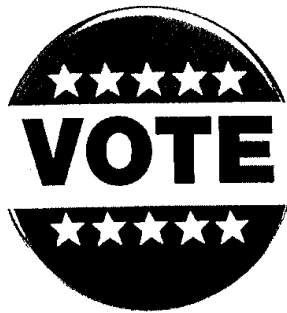
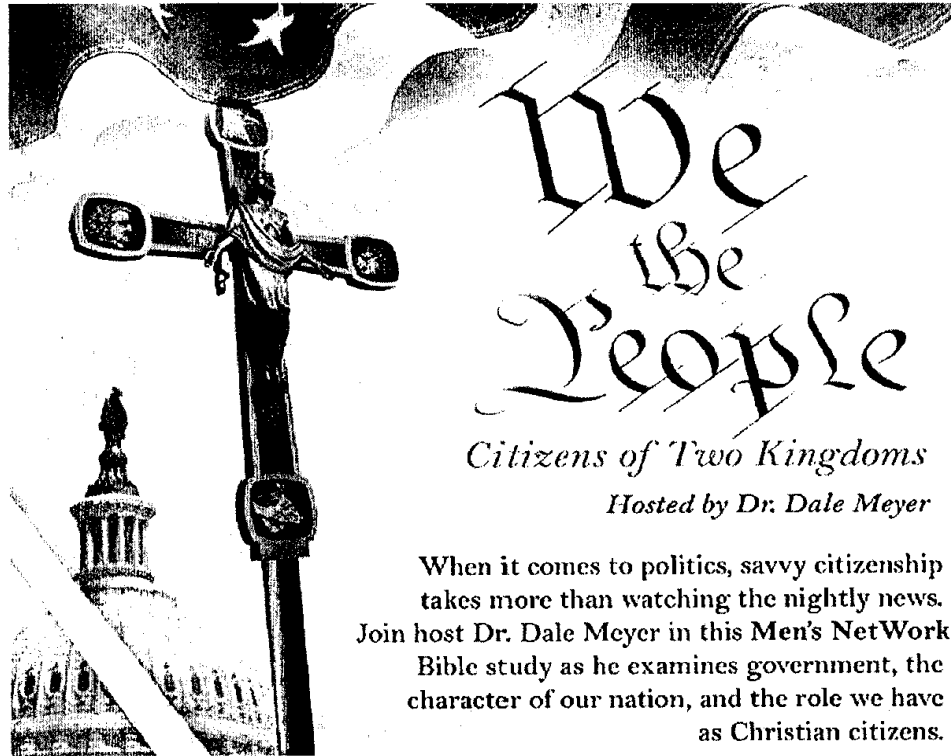
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As Christians we live in Two Kingdoms: The Kingdom of the Left, which is God appointed government, and The Kingdom of the Right, the Church. Please join us for this Bible Study as we discuss how we can fulfill our responsibilities to both kingdoms in an election year, when so many divisive issues seek to distract us from living as faithful citizens in both kingdoms.

When: Wednesday Evenings beginning 9/02/20

Where: Lamb of God Fellowship Hall or on Zoom

Time: 7:00 PM

Love

DOES NO WRONG TO
A NEIGHBOR;

therefore
Love

IS THE FULFILLING OF
the law.

ROMANS 13:10, ESV