

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Pentecost 17

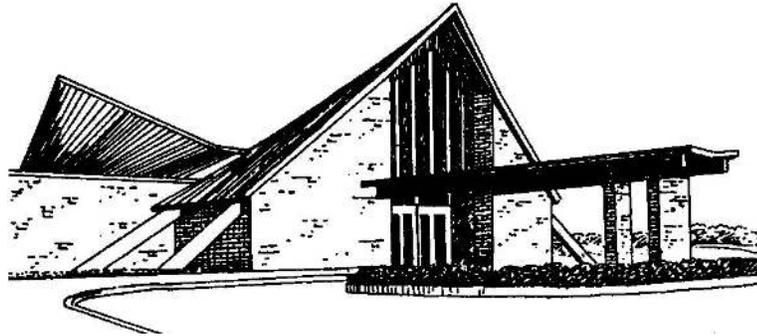
Saturday, September 18, 2021 – 5:00 PM

Sunday, September 19, 2021 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM

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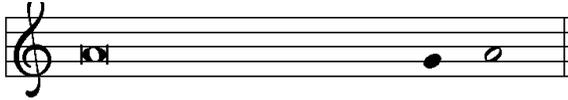
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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Welcome Center at the rear of the church and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the greeter in the Welcome Center and to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **We recommend, according to CDC guidelines,** that you wear a mask.
- **Please maintain** a distance of three feet unless you are in the same family
- **Children's busy bags** are available in the Narthex. Bags include crayons, coloring sheets, children's bulletin and a snack. Please take the bag home after worship.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



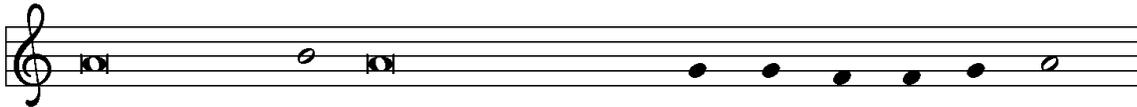
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



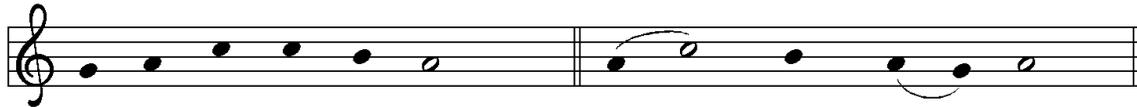
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



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

All



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P. Let us pray. O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" ²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

(10:30 AM) The Adult Choir Anthem

I Will Serve the Lord All of My Days

Price/Besig

PSALM: Psalm 54

¹Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.

²**Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.

⁴**Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice**

and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

SECOND READING: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.^{4:}

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

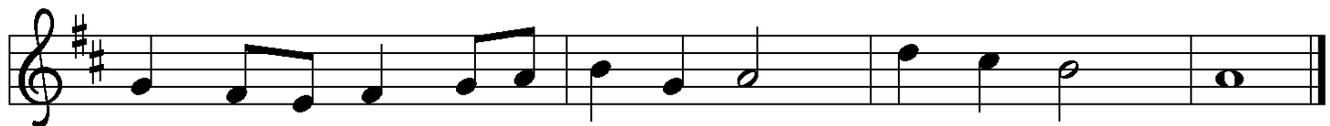
The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them,

“The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”
The Gospel of Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #781

Children of the Heavenly Father

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE - JOYS AND CONCERNS

OFFERING



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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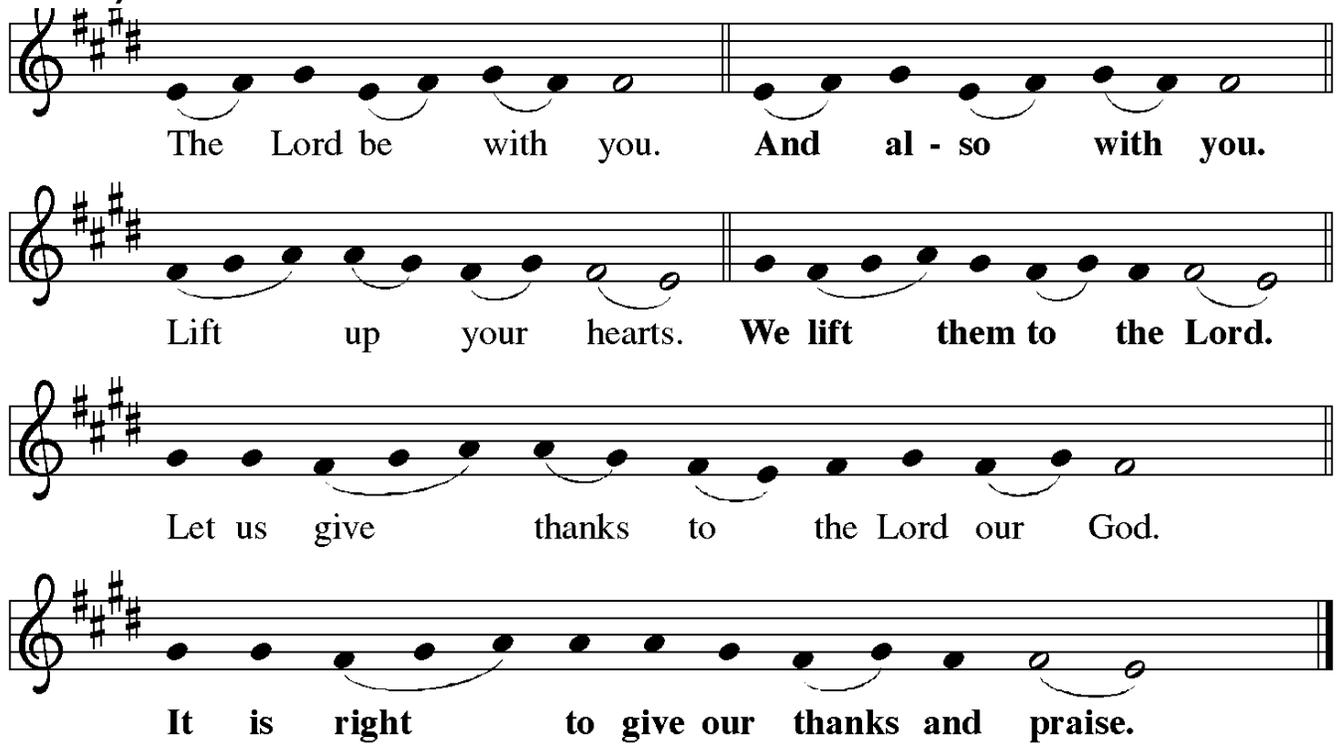
OFFERING PRAYER

P. Let us pray. God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

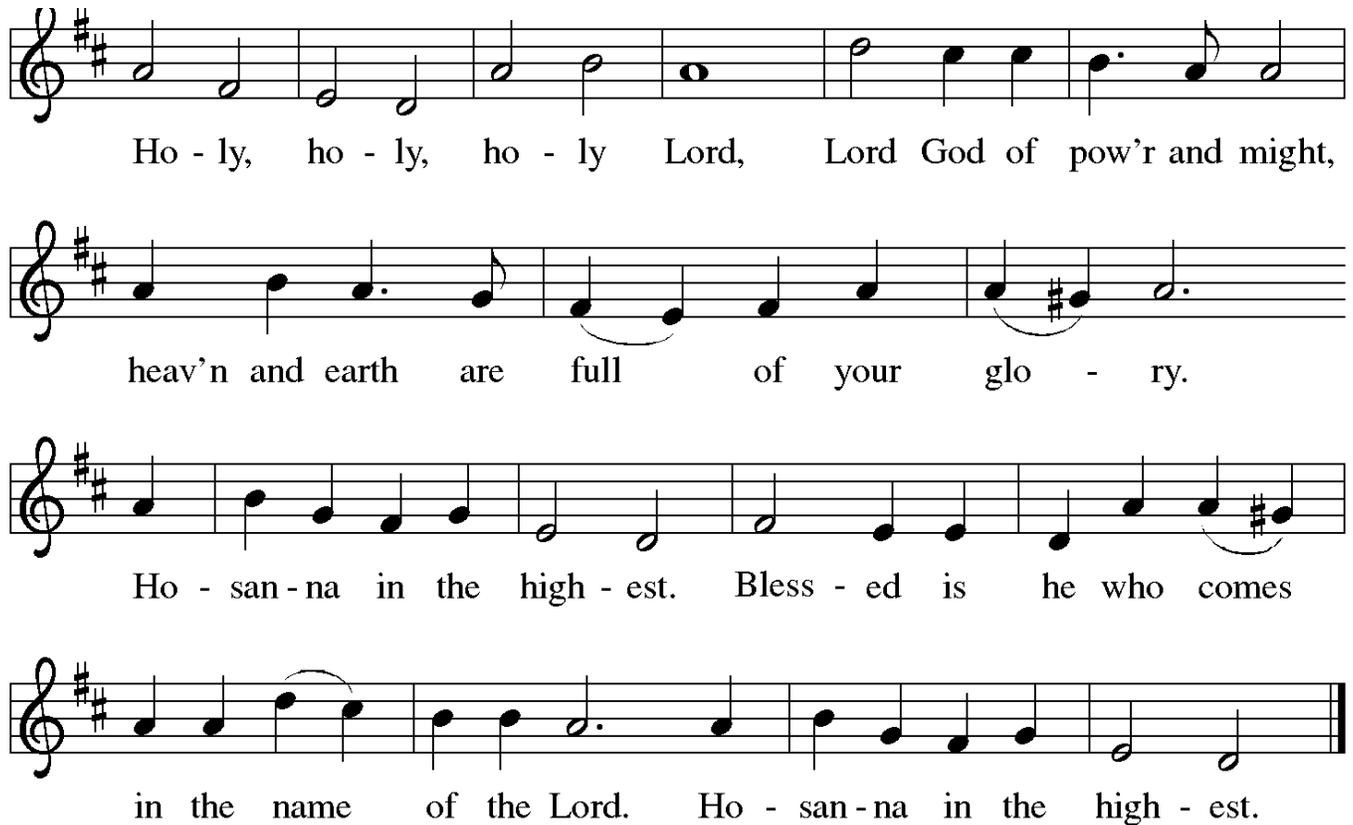


(5:00 PM) GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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

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.

(5:00 PM) COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

(5:00 PM) COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(5:00 PM) PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

PARTING COMMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG #705

God of Grace and God of Glory

THIS WEEK.... REGULAR OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

SUNDAY

MONDAY

6:30 PM Council Meeting

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM Communion service

10:00 AM Newsletter Mailing

5:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY

7:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

SATURDAY

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

6:00 PM Campfire Hymn Sing

SUNDAY

12:00 PM Hall & Pavilion Reserved

DUE TO SCHEDULE CONFLICTS, THE CAMPFIRE HYMN SING WILL BE RESCHEDULED. Please watch future bulletins for new date.

A FIRST COMMUNION CLASS will be offered next Saturday, October 2, at 9:30 AM. We should be done by 11:30 AM. It is important that a parent attends this class with their child. If you know of a person or a child who would like to come to God's table for the gifts of Holy Communion, please contact Sheri Anderson at 724-837-7327, 724-244-0120 or hzlcyouth@gmail.com. Participants will be welcomed to the table on Sunday, October 31, at the 10:30 AM service.

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL PET BLESSING Sunday, October 3, at 2:30 PM. We encourage you to join in this time of giving thanks to God for the gift of our pets. We will gather in the grassy area by the dumpster.

HEMPFIELD HOMECOMING PARADE – October 8, at 5:00 PM – Come watch the parade from our front lawn. We will have hot dogs and beverages sponsored by the Fellowship Committee. Please note that Route 136 will close by 5:00 PM so plan accordingly. Please bring a chair and get your seat by the road for the best view.

SONSHINER SENIOR GROUP: The Sonshiner's GAME DAY will be held in the Social Hall of the church on Wednesday, October 13 beginning at 1:30 PM. Various games will be played, and the "prizes" awarded! Snacks will be provided. If you plan to attend, please sign the sheet provided in the Communication Center by Sunday, October 10.

THE COLLECTION for “goats” will continue through August 2022 in honor of our 250th anniversary. We have currently raised \$6,034 which purchases 120 goats. We still need 130 goats to reach our goal of 250 goats (\$50 per goat), or \$6,500. To donate toward the purchase of goats for a third-world country, please put your donation in a pew envelope, mark it “goats” and place it in the offering plate. Please make checks payable to Harrold Zion.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: September 25 & 26

First lesson: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Psalmody: Psalm 19:7-14

Second Lesson: James 5:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Talent Show – November 12 at 7:00 PM
- Thanksgiving Worship – Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00 PM

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Altar Flowers – Sept. 19 (1 vase), Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 (2 vases)

Bulletin – Sept. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Eternal candle – Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Reminder: Rose = \$5, Bulletin = \$10, Candle = \$5, Altar Flowers = \$25/vase

Please sign up to sponsor these items using the binder found in the Communication Center.

HARROLD ZION'S FINANCIAL REPORT

August income:	\$34,042.15
August expense:	<u>\$31,666.60</u>
	\$ 2,375.55
YTD income:	\$259,421.16
YTD expense:	<u>\$257,973.35</u>
	\$ 1,447.81

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