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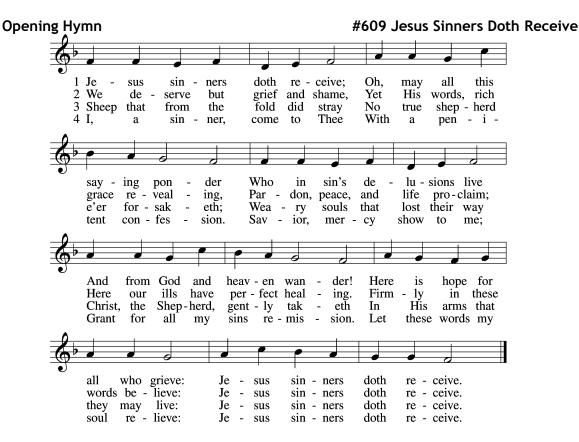
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Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

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5 Oh, how blest it is to know:

Were as scarlet my transgression,

It shall be as white as snow

By Thy blood and bitter passion;

For these words I now believe:

Jesus sinners doth receive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.

Naught remains my soul to grieve:

Jesus sinners doth receive.

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And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven;

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Invocation (Please stand)

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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
 Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit (sung responsively)



Say to my soul, "I am your sal- | vation!"*

When the righteous cry for help, the | LORD hears.

[The Lord] saved him out of all his | troubles;* this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;*

incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

I will open my mouth in a parable;*

I will utter dark sayings | from of old,

things that we have | heard and known,*

that our fathers have | told us.

We will tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, | and his might,* and the wonders that | he has done.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

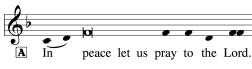
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Say to my soul, "I am your sal- | vation!"*

When the righteous cry for help, the | LORD hears.

[The Lord] saved him out of all his | troubles;* this is God, our God forever and | ever.

Kyrie







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





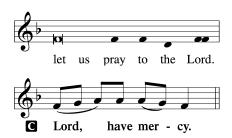
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

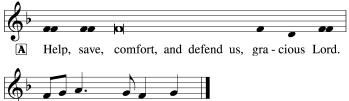




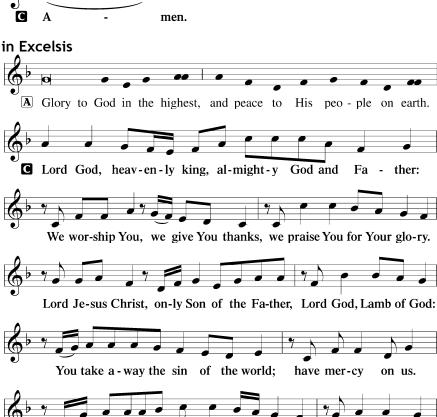


A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



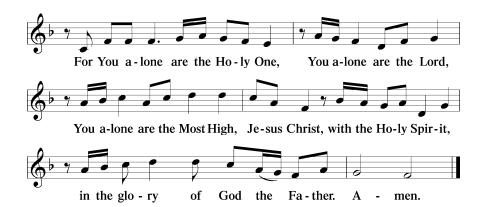


Gloria in Excelsis





You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep from us all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever You would have us do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

Genesis 28:10-17

¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. ¹²And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! ¹³And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. ¹⁴Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶Then

Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." ¹⁷And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

O LORD, I call upon you; hasten | to me!*
Give ear to my voice when I | call to you!
Let my prayer be counted as incense be- | fore you,*
and the lifting up of my hands as the evening | sacrifice!

Ephesians 4:22–28

²²Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. ²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 9:1–8

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



¹Getting into a boat [Jesus] crossed over and came to his own city. ²And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." ³And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." ⁴But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you

think evil in your hearts? ⁵For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? ⁶But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he then said to the paralytic—"Rise, pick up your bed and go home." ⁷And he rose and went home. ⁸When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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 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.





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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

We remember all those in need of continued strength and healing:

Karl Goede

Rev. Don Lutz, Joellen Meyer

Gloria Siela, David Nahrwold, Margaret Whitesel

Bryce Bowman and family (former student battling cancer)

Tammy Dahling (wife of Pastor Dan Dahling)

We pray for our members shut-in:

Jackie Werling, Ruth Witte (Ossian Healthcare)

Imogene Bultemeier, (Woodcrest)

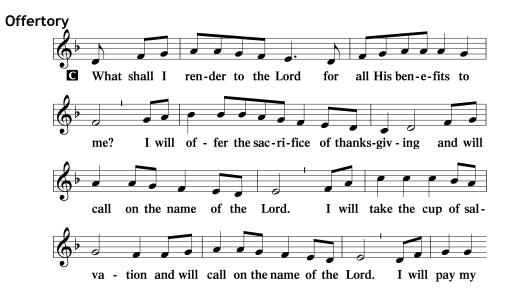
Marilyn Franke (Christian Care)

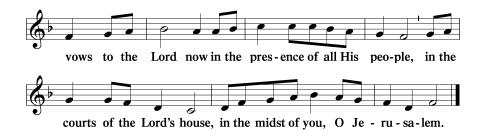
We pray for our schools

We pray for our Church and all her workers

We pray for all military personnel

Offering





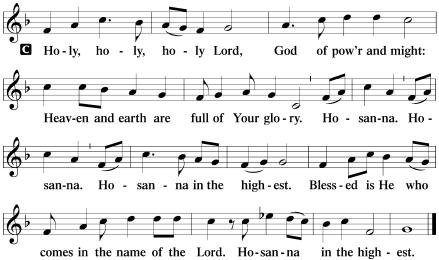
Service of the Sacrament



Proper Preface (Abbreviated)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

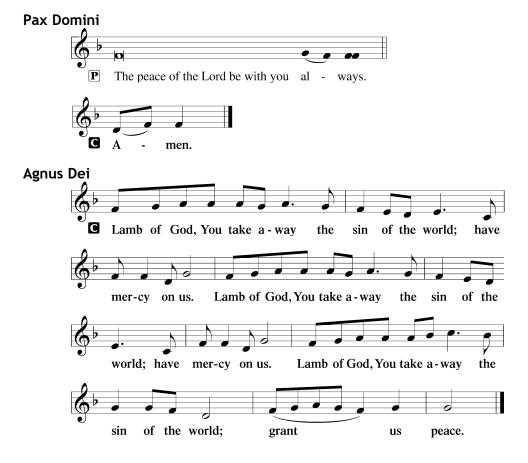
- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth
 as it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My Hobody, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Distribution

<u>Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper</u> in our worship. Bethlehem Lutheran Church administers this Holy Supper in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we receive, along with the Bread and Wine, the very Body and Blood of Jesus through which we receive the forgiveness of sins. Furthermore, the communicants as a body of believers make a confession of the unity of their faith. Those desiring to receive the Sacrament with us, who are not communicant members of Bethlehem or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, are asked to please speak with the Pastor before the service.

Distribution Hymns:

#641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart #642 O Living Bread from Heaven #611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be #820 My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker #686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

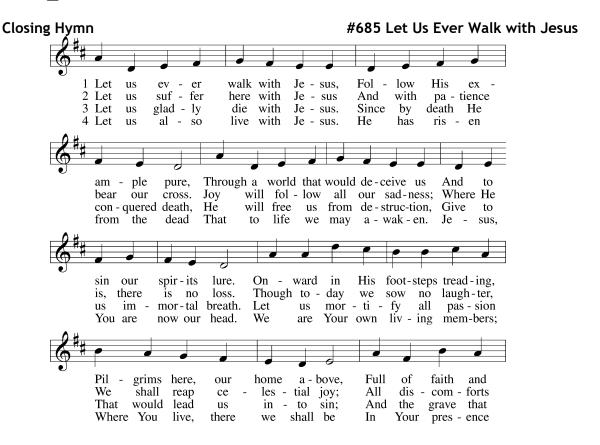
C Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

C Amen.





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TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:15 a.m.	Church Council Meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)
MONDAY	6:00 p.m.	PTL Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY	10:15 a.m.	Chapel Service
	5:00 p.m.	Public School Confirmation Class
	7:00 p.m.	Brief Spoken Divine Service
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Divine Service with Holy Communion
"Reformation Observed"		
	NO	Adult Bible Class and Sunday School
	11:30 a.m.	Voice of Bethlehem (WZBD 92.7)

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS this morning to our church and worship service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor and to others in attendance and feel free to worship with us again.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING - TODAY, October 23rd at 11:15 a.m.

125th Anniversary Events - Please join us Sunday, October 30th As we come to an end of our 125th Anniversary we remember to give thanks and Glory to God for blessing and preserving this congregation for 125th years. Please join us for a special Reformation Service enjoying special music by the Bethlehem Handbell and Adult Choirs along with singing some of our favorite hymns. *Kantor Brinkley will hold a post-service Hymn Sing and is asking for suggestions. Please note your favorite LSB hymn on the paper posted to the bulletin board.*

Our mission for Sunday, will be taking a door offering to help support the new Lutheran Classical College in Wyoming. Pastor Wirgau will have more information.

THE LADIES AID INVITES YOU to join us in a showing of appreciation to Seminarian Isaac and Katie Spangler as they prepare for the birth of their new baby in November. A gift table will be provided for gifts and cards through the month of October. For a list of gifts, please stop by the table or the Spangler's are registered at www.babylist.com. If you have questions, you can contact Denise Schumm or Chelli Smith.

<u>New benches were purchased</u> for the front porch of the church. The old benches are on the east side of garage out back and are available for a donation to the Ladies Aid for anyone who would like one.

<u>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</u> - In remembrance and thanksgiving for all the saints who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors, we would like to have a special "All Saint's Day" memorial on Sunday, November 6th. If you would like to participate, please send or email Wendy 260-415-8526 or wmeyer.boehm@gmail.com the name of your loved one(s) by October 26th. There will be a special bulletin insert and those who have passed away in the last year will have their name read during the prayers. Please consider sharing in this special remembrance.

<u>OCTOBER IS CHURCH WORKER APPRECIATON MONTH</u> — We will have a poster and some cards out for everyone to write a thank you note to all the faithful men and women who serve in a variety of positions here at Bethlehem.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL Holiday Bazaar and Swiss Steak Dinner to be held on Sunday November 6th 11:15-1:30 pm in the school gym. DINE IN or CARRY OUT will be available. Cost for the meal will be \$13 for adults, \$6.00 for children 12 & under. A hot dog meal will also be available for \$4.00. Plan to visit and shop at a variety of holiday booths. We continue to welcome more vendors to set up booths in the gym for the bazaar. Please contact Dalene Springer.

Volunteers are needed for this event along with donation of pies. Please consider signing up on the sheets provided in the hallway. Thank you

<u>A Special Bible Class</u> will be held on Thursday, October 27, at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall on Prayer. The Lord's Prayer is one of the first prayers many of us learned. Everyone is invited to come and learn more about this prayer.

<u>Attention all cookie bakers</u>: A Cookie Sale will be held at the Swiss Steak Dinner on Sunday, November 6. Bring your favorite cookies to the gym when you arrive. All proceeds will go to LWML Mites.

<u>Women's Group will be starting a Book Club</u>: We will be reading Gilead by Marilynne Robinson. If you would like to join, please let Wendy Boehm know. Must have the book read by December 4th, in person discussion in December.

<u>Right to Life Campaign -</u> Bethlehem will be participating in the 40 Days for Life Campaign (September 28-November 6). We will have a table display set up if anyone would like to donate (items or monetary). Items will be donated to The Hope Clinic located in Decatur and Berne.

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY! Join us on November 5th for Bethlehem Lutheran School's 3rd annual Silent Auction and Gala... Midnight at the Masquerade Murder Mystery! Join us for a night of mystery, mayhem, and murder... all while raising money for our wonderful school! Tickets can be purchase from the school office or by contacting Melissa Price (260-433-5307) or Jennifer Bultemeier (419-230-8068).

<u>Plan to visit the Scrip table for all of your shopping needs or contact Melissa Price</u> at 260-433-5307 with your orders. Thank you

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER ITEMS ARE NOW DUE

RECITATION & PRAYER FOR CLASSROOM AND HOME

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

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

A hymn may be sung.

Recite Together:

The Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it Holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Additional Memory Work for the week may be recited.

Scripture Reading and/or Devotion Lesson

Prayers and Intercessions

The 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.

Learn-by-heart all or some of the provided text as age and ability of your household allows.

What is the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed?

And [I believe] in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What is Romans 10:9-10?

Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Romans 10:9-10