Old Testament

Ezekiel 33:7-9

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."

Epistle 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. Pay 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." 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Holy Gospel Matthew 18:1-20

¹At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saving, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ²And calling to him a child, he put him in

the midst of them ³ and 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.

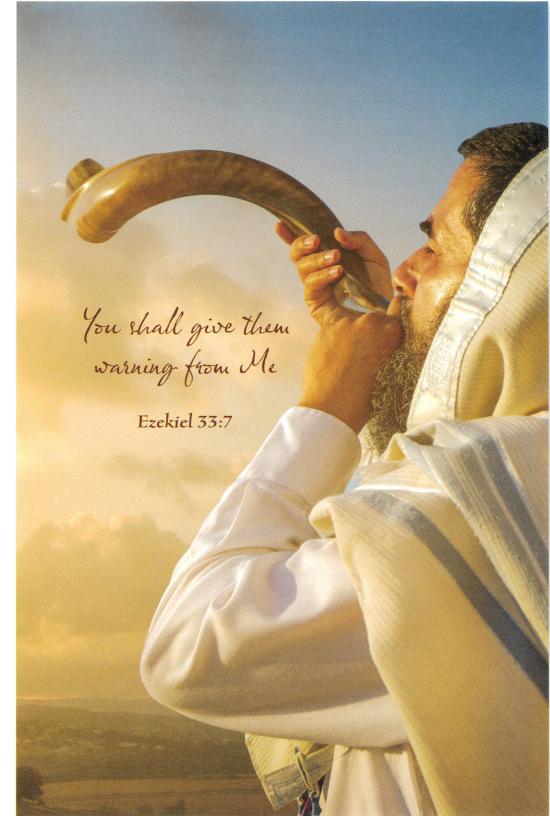
⁷"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! 8And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to 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."



About the Cover: Like the piercing shofar trumpet blast that made the people tremble before Mount Sinai (see Exodus 19:16), Ezekiel was called to sound forth the warning of God's Law. God gives the warning of His Law before the final judgment to lead us to repentance and faith in the Gospel of Jesus' death and resurrection for our forgiveness. God sounds the "note of judgment" so that we might hear and join in singing the notes of "gladness," "pardon," and "triumph" in Christ (LSB 511).



15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 6 & 10, 2023 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Hymns: 837, 828, 605, 609, 830

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 8/30	(Wed): 40	Comm.: 32	Offering: \$762.06
Attendance 9/3	(Sun): 39	Comm.: 35	Offering: \$2,820.07
Budget Needs: \$3,098.21			Scrip Profit 9/3: \$46.50

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

SUN (9/10)	6:00 p.m. – Farm & Home 4H	
WED (9/13)	6:00 p.m. – Confirmation Class	
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	7:45 p.m. – Elders	
THUR (9/14)	12:30 p.m. – Ladies Aid	

Pastor at Outreach meeting in Milwaukee

SUN (9/17) 8:00 a.m. – Sunday School

9:00 a.m. – Worship 10:15 a.m. – Bible Class

Installation of Sunday School Staff

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember Pr. John Wille of the South Wisconsin District of the LCMS Synod (cancer treatment); Harlen Krahn; Fran (father of Brigette Sonnabend); Vincent Sucivic (grandson of Duane & Karen Loose), Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules Clausing (infection), Carol Clausing, Sandy Haberland, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, and Terry Brandenburg.

THANK YOU to Pastor Brassfield (Wednesday) and Pastor Ahlborn (Sunday) for sharing the message of God's Word with us and leading us in worship this week!

BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL will begin on Sunday September 17th. Sunday School starts at 8:00 a.m. Bible Class begins at 10:15 a.m.

BRUNCH & BABY SHOWER – Sunday September 24th at 10:15 a.m. St. Bart's is having a Brunch and a Baby Shower for Pastor and Ashley Brandmahl. There is no cost for the meal, but please bring a gift for Baby Boy Brandmahl. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. A wish list from Pastor and Ashley is on the bulletin board also.

MEAL TRAIN – There is a meal train site set up for Lori & John Krueger for anyone who would like to help out with meals for them. You can use the link listed to get to the site to sign up for meals. https://mealtrain.com/r5nnmw

POWER POINT ASSISTANTS are needed. If you'd like to help with the PowerPoint during the worship, please sign up on the bulletin board.

MITE BOX – The LWML Mite Box is on the small table in the narthex for anyone wishing to put their change in throughout the year. Mites go towards many different grants to help those in need. There is a list of them by the mite box.

GRASS CUTTERS – we are looking for volunteers to cut the grass. You can sign up for a week or a month. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you have any questions, please contact the trustees.

PRODUCE TABLE – If you have any extra garden produce during the summer months that you would like to share with members of the congregation, drop it off on the table in the coat room. Items can be left on or taken from the table anytime during the week.