



HOLY COMMUNION

September 28, 2011

GATHERING

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

- * Confession and Forgiveness p. 94
- * Gathering Song *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #858
(stanzas 2 and 3 may be sung in harmony)
- * Apostolic Greeting and Prayer of the Day p. 203

WORD

First Reading Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Psalm 25 (paraphrase sung by Motet Choir) Handel/Hopson

Second Reading Philippians 2:1-13

* Gospel Acclamation p. 205

* Gospel Matthew 21:23-32 p. 205

Sermon

* Hymn of the Day *O Master, Let Me Walk with You* #818
(The hymn may be sung entirely in harmony)

* Prayers of Intercession

* Peace

* - *Those who are able may stand*

MEAL

* Offertory #188
* Prayer *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

* Great Thanksgiving p. 208

Communion

Lamb of God p. 208

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence #490

Thee We Adore, O Savior #476

The King of Love My Shepherd Is #502

(may be sung in harmony)

Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus #501

(may be sung in harmony)

* Blessing and Prayer after Communion

SENDING

* Blessing

* Dismissal

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister Brooks Schramm
Professor of Old Testament

Preacher..... Nelson Strobert
Paulssen-Hale Professor of Church and Society

Assisting Minister Tina Toburen
MDiv Candidate, Class of 2012

Lector Julie Scheibel
MDiv Candidate, Class of 2012

Communion Distributors..... Ken Melber
Trevor Hahn
MDiv Candidates, Class of 2012

Director of Music Stephen Folkemer
Seminary Cantor

The Motet Choir

RECEIVING COMMUNION

“Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcomed to Communion when they are visiting in the congregations of this church.” (from the ELCA’s sacramental practices statement)

We'll be receiving the sacrament at stations today. Simply come forward by the center aisle (in two lines), receive the bread from the person in the center, then go to the side to receive the wine from a common cup or pouring chalice.

As a sign of the unity the sacrament gives, we all share the same elements. If you are unable to receive wheat bread or wine, be sure that in a single element you receive the Presence and all the gifts of the sacrament.

If you are not prepared to receive the elements today, but would like to come forward for a blessing, bring a copy of the bulletin with you -- that'll be the sign of your intention for the distributors.

SEPTEMBER'S OFFERINGS

All the offerings from Communion services during this month will be donated to ELCA Disaster Response. These designations are made by the Worship, Music, and Arts Committee. If you have a suggestion for future benevolences, please make them to a member of that committee .

WHAT'S THAT CROSS IN THE BALCONY?

That cross, in the shape of the symbol of the roster of diaconal ministers, was made for and given to LTSG, since it serves as the Center for Diaconal Ministry Preparation. Since this roster focusses on the margin between church and world, it seemed to make sense to place it where it would be seen as we leave the one to enter the other!

INTERCESSIONS

On the bulletin board in the back of the chapel is a sheet asking for intercessory prayers. Assisting ministers will take this list down on Wednesdays for inclusion in the prayers of the church at our weekly Communion service. You might want to put people or causes for which the community might pray on that list at any time, and check it regularly for your own prayer life!

FOR WHOM ELSE ARE WE PRAYING?

Along with these suggestions, the petitions at each Wednesday Communion service include prayers for a few interns and their families. On Tuesday noons, we include prayers for one of our partners in the Washington Theological Consortium or the Eastern Cluster of Theological Seminaries. On Thursdays, we pray for the members of an anniversary alumni class.

UPCOMING IN CHAPEL

- Thurs., Sept. 29 11:55 AM** FESTIVAL OF MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS. Holy Communion with Virginia Price presiding and Michelle Carlson preaching
- Fri., Sept. 30 11:55 AM** Commemoration of Jerome, with Richard Carlson preaching
- Mon., Oct. 3 11:55 AM** Commemoration of Theodore and Fredrika Fliedner. David Bowman preaching
- Tues., Oct. 4 11:55 AM** Commemoration of Francis of Assisi. Blessing for Animals (at the Outdoor Platform in Schmucker Grove, weather permitting), led by Kristin Johnston Lergen
- Wed., Oct. 5 6:30 PM** Holy Communion with Mark Vitalis Hoffman presiding and Bishop David deFreeze preaching.

SAVE THE DATES!

Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8 AM in Valentine 311

Anyone interested is welcome to join in a **prayerful reading of Scripture**, using Luther's version of *lectio divina* to attend to the lessons for the next Sunday. For more information, see Pr. Oldenburg

The First Two Weekends of October, at the South Mountain Fairgrounds (near Arendtsville)

The whole mid-Atlantic comes to a party near us, the **National Apple Harvest Festival!** Two weekends of food, crafts, entertainment, and more things to do with apples than you've ever dreamed of. Plus, it's close to Camp Nawakwa! See <http://www.appleharvest.com/> for more information.

Sunday, October 9 at 4 PM in our chapel

Music, Gettysburg! presents a **sampler of some of the area's favorite artists performing their favorite music**, in a benefit concert for the renovation of our chapel. Admission is free (although you'll be urged strongly to contribute generously!), and the artistry is heavenly!

Tues., Oct. 11 from 4:00-6:00 PM in the Pioneer Room of the Library

A reception will mark the beginning of a **new show of liturgical art**. The Fine Arts Council will present the work of three textile artists in its fall 2011 exhibit *Dressing Sacred Space*. Works from Berlin, Germany-based liturgical weaver Christina Utsch, from quilter Sue Ann Moore in Maine and from textile artist Linda Witte Henke in Indiana will be on display from October 10–December 2 in the Library Pioneer Room.

