

July 25, 2021

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

At Home Devotions St. Paul's Lutheran Church Closter, New Jersey

# Lord of All Hopefulness 1. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,

- Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy: Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
   Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
   Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
   Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
   Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
- Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
  Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
  Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

  Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
  Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:

Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,

Pastor Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

### **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.

I'm in the Same Boat with Jesus by John Folkening

1. A boat ride in a storm ain't no walk through the park.
The waves get mighty high, the sky turns oh, so dark

## **REFRAIN**

I'm really glad that Jesus is in the same boat with me. I'm in the same boat with Jesus, and that's where I want to be. I'm in the same boat with Jesus, no matter how rough the sea, 'Cause Jesus won't let me sink, He proved it on Calvary.

2. The storms we face in life can be scary and wild; I feel I'm all alone, forget that I'm God's child, *REFRAIN* 

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#### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We remember our nation and many nations, as terrorism remains a threat, and service in Afghanistan continues to be a danger. We pray for the safety of both soldiers and civilians in Afghanistan, and around the world. We pray for peace in the Mideast. We pray for God's help and protection for persecuted Christians throughout the world. We pray for victims of natural disasters throughout the world. We pray for victims of violence (and their loved ones) around the world. We pray for our nation and world as we continue in care in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

We pray for our church leaders and their loved ones, and our sister churches and their outreach: Rev. Matthew Harrison, our Synod President; Rev. Dr. Tony Steinbronn, our District President; our newly elected District President, Rev. Stephen Gewecke, and the African Immigrant congregations and missions. We pray for Rev. Dan Fenco and the Camino De Fe mission, Rev. Matt and Nyssa Lytikainen and Mile Square Church in Hoboken, Rev. Matthew Hass (pastor of Village Lutheran Church in Lanoka Harbor, NJ), and Naomi Vogt (serving as a teacher in Shanghai). We pray for Rev. Bob and Kristi Roegner, missionaries in Israel. We pray for the Comfort Dog Ministry at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Old Bridge. We pray for Lutheran Hour Ministries. We pray for St. Paul's families. We pray for St. Paul's Sunday School. We pray for St. Paul's Bible Studies. We pray for those suffering from addiction.

We pray for those serving in the military: Capt. John Beddoe, Capt. Mark Buckman, Maj. Jake Butz, Cmdr. Jeff Dermody, Brian Grotz, Rolly Jarmin, Capt. Timothy Kuppler, Cmdr. Jeffrey Morin, T. Sgt. Ruth Presto, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Matthew Rojas, Laura Scott, Capt. Rance Thompson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. John Trainor, Lt. David West and Shane Wojnar, serving with the Armed Forces (and all who serve in the Armed Forces).

We pray for our college and graduate students: Arianna Cavalli, Valerie Costeniuc, Sam del Corral, Lauren Graesser, Megan Hamlett, Alison Keil, Casey and Courtney Luikert, Giulia Nicolai, Brianna Ross, Emily Sposa, and James Steindl.

We pray for help, healing and God's loving care in the lives of our loved ones: Ron Cavalli, Bette Eifert, Jenna Forbes, Janet Holsten, Christopher Huss, June Kuhn, Lois Lake, Doris Lange, Pastor Ed Lazarchak, Fran Lelkendey, Ruth McReynolds, Michael Pierro, George Ross, Gloria Rubner, Richard Ruhl, Irma Schmuck, and Anna Zulli

#### **NEWS AND NOTICES**

St. Paul's Mission of the Month is Lutheran Social Ministries.

**St. Paul's Semi-Annual Election** was held on May 11, 2021. There are still a few vacancies. People are needed to assist in Social Action/Christian Fellowship. And help is needed in Christian Education—especially as we look forward to opening up our Sunday School programs in the Fall. Please prayerfully consider ways in which you might serve.

**THE 2021 FLOWER CHART** is in the Narthex. You can sign up there or complete the form and mail it back to St. Paul's or email Lisa Bujas, Altar Guild, (<a href="mailto:LBujas@aol.com">LBujas@aol.com</a>) to order online. Be sure to specify date and dedication.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, July 25 10:00 AM – Worship Service

10:15 AM – Online Devotions

Tuesday, July 28 8:00 PM – Al Anon

Wednesday, July 29 1:00 PM -- Bible Study at Ann Cavalli's house