"... he rejoices more over that sheep than over the ninety-nine that did not go astray" (Matt. 18:13)

Sunday, September 10, 2023 15th Sunday after Pentecost

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Worship Plan for Sunday, September 10, 2023

15th Sunday after Pentecost WOV Holy Communion Setting Five: Bread of Life ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV p. 10)

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen

ENTRANCE HYMN *Thy Holy Wings* (WOV 741) GREETING (WOV p. 28) KYRIE (WOV p. 28) HYMN OF PRAISE (WOV p. 29)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 30)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

A reading from Ezekiel.

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel 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 ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel? L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 119:33-40

³³Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart.

³⁵Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire. ³⁶Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.

³⁷Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways.

³⁸Fulfill your promise to your servant, which you make to those who fear you.

³⁹Turn away the reproach which I dread, because your judgments are good.

⁴⁰Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness preserve my life.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

A reading from Romans.

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; 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, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SING JESUS LOVES ME AND CHILDREN'S SERMON GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:10-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 18th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. ¹²What do you think? If a shepherd 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 tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninetynine that never went astray. ¹⁴So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost. ¹⁵If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Reason for Rejoicing

HYMN OF THE DAY *God, When Human Bonds are Broken* WOV 735

APOSTLE'S CREED (WOV p. 33) THE LORD'S PRAYER SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERING OFFERING HYMN (WOV p. 35) Let the vineyards be fruitful. OFFERING PRAYER

BLESSING (WOV p. 41) Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN OF THE DAY Healer of Our Every III (WOV 738)

DISMISSAL Go in peace and serve your neighbor. Yes we will. Thanks be to God.

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SEPTEMBER NOISY CAN

Baltic: The Banquet

East: The Foster Network

Baltic WELCA Meeting

Sunday, Sept 10 following worship. Your attendance is appreciated.

Our Response to God's Love

Baltic: Sep 3: Attendance 29; General Fund\$1275.00 Noisy Can\$11.06 East: Sep 3: Attendance 21; General Fund\$870.00 Noisy Can\$14.21



BALTIC SUNDAY SCHOOL

Important Dates: Other activities will be announced as needed.

- September 10: Rally Sunday
- October 8th: No Sunday School (Fall break)
- November 26th: No Sunday School (Thanksgiving Break)
- December 17: Christmas Program (additional details as date
- approaches)
- December 24th & 31st: No Sunday School (Christmas Break)
- February 18th: No Sunday School (President's Day Break)
- March 10th: No Sunday School (Spring Break)
- March 24: Palm Sunday Children will sing in worship
- March 31st: No Sunday School (Easter Sunday)
- April 28th: Awards in Worship & Last Day of Sunday School

KICK OFF WITH CHRIST

at East Nidaros Church

Sunday, September 17, 2023 at 9:17 am



Pass....Throw....Kick....Bounce your way to J-E-S-U-S !! Fans of all ages, come and see how Christ can be your Defender. Footballs, Inflatable, Tires, Beanbags and Lunch await your Interception at East Nidaros. Remember to wear your football jersey. If you cannot attend, please contact Deacon Rosalie Riswold-Brende at <u>rirbrende@qmail.com</u> or 605-376-0452 to add your name to the Sunday School Roster.

Go Team! East Nidaros Church Council and Sunday School

Sunday, Sept 10, 2023

Baltic	9:00 Worship and Live streamed on Facebook @
Fast Nidawaa	BalticLutheranChurch
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship

Things Happening Week of September 10th

6:30pm Baltic Council Meeting
7pm East Council Meeting
6:30 Confirmation Orientation 6-7-8 Grades @ BLC
6:30-7:30pm Food Bank Open

Sunday, Sept 17, 2023

Baltic	9:00 Worship
East Nidaros	10:30 Worship and livestreamed on Facebook @ EastNidarosLutheranChurch

Fellowship Coffee and Treats					
<u>Baltic</u> Sept 10 & 24	Yvonne & Gary Kocmick Brian McGreevy	East Nid Sept 10 & 17			

The Baltic WELCA is looking for volunteers for our Meatball Dinner coming up in October. There are sign -up sheets in the church foyer for both Saturday and Sunday. Please stop and sign-up. We need many volunteers to make this a success. Thank you.