



HOLY COMMUNION

September 12, 2012

GATHERING

Pre-Service Music

Welcome and Announcements

- * Confession and Forgiveness p. 94
- * Gathering Song *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* #843
(stanza 2 may be sung in harmony)
- * Apostolic Greeting and Prayer of the Day p. 98

WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146 (sung in unison)

Second Reading

James 2:1-10, 14-17

- * Gospel Acclamation p. 102
- * Gospel Mark 7:24-37 p. 103
- Sermon
- * Hymn of the Day *We've Come This Far By Faith* #633
(All sing the refrain; verses will be sung by a leader)

* Prayers of Intercession

* Peace

MEAL

- * Offertory *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful* #182
- * Great Thanksgiving p. 107

* - *Those who are able may stand*

Communion

Communion Sentence (sung by choir) C. Schalk

Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord.

Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality.

We Come to the Hungry Feast #479

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve #551

(may be sung in harmony)

* Blessing and Prayer after Communion

SENDING

* Blessing

* Dismissal

WORSHIP LEADERS

Presiding Minister Marty Stevens

*Associate Professor in The Arthur L. Larson position
of Stewardship and Parish Ministry,
Chief Financial Officer and Registrar*

Preacher..... Kristin Johnston Largen

Associate Professor of Systematic Theology

Assisting Minister Andrew Crouse

Technology Services Specialist

Lector John Largen

Seminary Spouse

Communion Distributors..... Donald Redman

Director of Information Systems and Education Technology

Julie Ritter

Assistant Registrar and Administrative Assistant to the Dean

Director of Music Stephen Folkemer

Seminary Cantor

The Seminary Choir

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 .

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.

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 Lutheran Seminaries. On Thursdays, we pray for the members of an anniversary alumni class.

UPCOMING IN CHAPEL

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| <u>Thurs., Sept. 13 11:55 AM</u> | Commemoration of John Chyostom. Celtic Morning Prayer, at the outdoor platform between Valentine and Schmucker House, weather permitting |
| <u>Fri., Sept. 14 11:55 AM</u> | HOLY CROSS DAY. Holy Communion, with Mark Oldenburg presiding and preaching |
| <u>Mon., Sept. 17 11:55 AM</u> | Commemoration of Hildegard of Bingen, with Peter Suwak preaching |
| <u>Tues., Sept. 18 11:55 AM</u> | Commemoration of Dag Hammaskjöld, led by Kim Belken and Drew McCaffery |
| <u>Wed., Sept. 19 6:30 PM</u> | Holy Communion with Gilson Waldkoenig presiding and Leonard Hummel 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

Every Monday through Thursday at 10 PM in the Quad

Compline is held Monday through Thursday at 10pm in the residential quad between Aberly, Heiges, and Stuempfle Halls, and is led by diverse members of the student body. If you're interested in leading this brief worship service, or are willing to help with music leadership, please contact Victoria Larson (vlarson@ltsg.edu).

Tonight at 7:30 PM in Mara Auditorium in Masters Hall (G-burg College)

Patricia Zavella will address gender, migration and poverty in a lecture based on her recent book, *I'm Neither Here Nor There*. Professor of Latin American and Latino Studies at UC-Santa Cruz, Zavella draws on close interaction with Mexicans on both sides of the border to examine migrant journeys, gendered racialization, and the challenges migrants face in maintaining families.

Sun., Sept. 16 from noon to 5 PM at the Gettysburg Recreation Park

The 21st annual **Adams County Heritage Festival** celebrates the diversity of our community with music, food, story-telling, crafts, and a general good time.

Sat., Sept. 22 all around the square in Gettysburg

Antique dealers from all over the east coast stream to Gettysburg for an all-day sidewalk sale, taking up at least a block in each direction from the square. Don't plan to get through town quickly, but walk down for some great wandering!

Sun. Sept. 23 at 6 PM at Christ Church, downtown

Celtic worship service is held every 2nd and 4th Sunday. All are invited to experience this meditative worship steeped in the ancient prayers of the Celtic Christian tradition. A pick-up band leads the music and rehearses at 5pm before each service. New instrumentalists are always invited to join in! Advanced-beginner ability is preferred for players on instruments such as: guitar, string bass, flute, penny-whistle, recorder, mandolin, ukulele, fiddle, concertina, harp, auto-harp, etc., etc. If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. Folkemer.

Thurs., Sept. 27 at 5 PM in Gettysburg College's Breidenbaugh Hall

Entrepreneur, activist, and Cameroonian political leader **Kah Walla** will give the annual Gondwe lecture, on the future of economic development in Africa.

ASSISTING MINISTER TRAINING

Interested in serving as an assisting minister at Communion services at seminary, but uncertain about what to do? Pr. Oldenburg will lead an introduction to this ministry at 11:55 AM on Wednesday, September 26 (the weekly communion service will take place on 6:30 PM that day). For more information, see Pr. Oldenburg, or simply show up!