

**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**  
**SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2024**

**ORDERS OF WORSHIP**

**Saturday Worship - 5pm**

Welcome & Announcements  
Invocation  
Call to Worship  
Confession & Forgiveness  
Litany of Praise  
Prayer of the Day  
Bible Readings  
Message  
Hymn of the Day  
Creed, Prayers and Peace  
Offertory Song  
The Words of Communion  
Communion  
The Lord's Prayer  
Blessing & Sending

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**Sunday Worship - 10am**

Prelude  
Welcome  
Confession & Forgiveness  
Opening Hymn  
Greeting  
Kyrie  
Hymn of Praise  
Prayer of the Day  
First Bible Reading  
Psalm of the Day  
Second Bible Reading  
Gospel Acclamation  
Today's Message  
Hymn of the Day  
Creed, Prayers & Peace  
Offertory  
Offering  
Eucharistic Liturgy & Lord's Prayer  
Lamb of God & Distribution  
Blessing & Prayer  
Benediction & Sending Hymn  
Dismissal

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**WEEKLY WORSHIP**  
**BULLETIN FOR**  
**ST. JOHN'S**  
**LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**OF THE ERIE LUTHERAN PARISH**

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**YOU BELONG HERE**

We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. We believe that Christ is present in this meal of forgiveness and unconditional love. We welcome all to join us at the Lord's Table. If you choose not to commune, we welcome you to come forward for a blessing.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a restroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

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**TODAY'S THEME**

Three weeks ago we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

**Today's Bible Readings**

Isaiah 50:4-9a	Pew Bible p. 594
Psalm 77	Pew Bible p. 467
James 3:1-12	Pew Bible p. 981
Mark 8:27-38	Pew Bible p. 820

**Today's Message**

*"Lift High the Cross"*

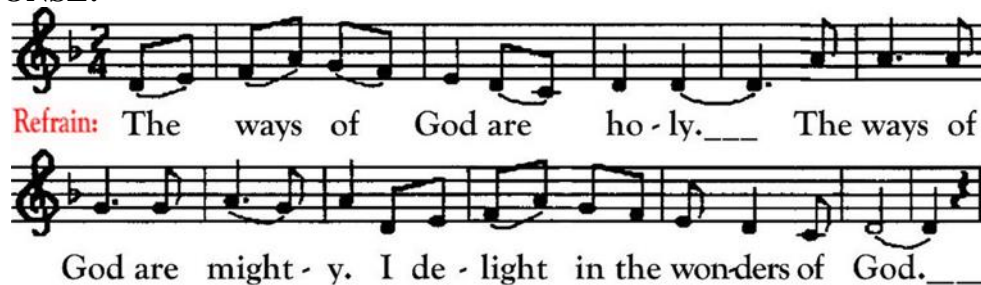
*by Rev. Ralph Mineo*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

### PSALM RESPONSE:



Refrain: The ways of God are ho - ly. \_\_\_ The ways of  
God are might - y. I de - light in the wonders of God. \_\_\_

### OUR PRAYER LISTS:

**Members:** Barb Huff, Tom Tell, Sharyn Roberts

**Cancer treatments:**

**Friends of the congregation:** Ian Minner, Rev. Jerry Gray, Michelle, Baby Easton, Matt, Mary Bemis, Ken Marshall, Lori, Jeff

**Cancer Friends:** Canda, Chris, Amelia

**Other prayer requests:**

*Prayer Requests/Names will be removed on the 1st of each month unless otherwise requested. If you would like a name on the prayer list, please use the "Prayer Request" link on our church website, email or phone the church office.*

### "What It Means To Be A Lutheran"

Pastor Ralph is leading this session for anyone interested in becoming a member of St. John's and for anyone interested in a refresher: Sunday, September 15 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For those interested in attending, there's a sign-up sheet on the church office window. Please sign up, since Pastor Ralph is preparing a booklet for each participant. To provide a meal for those attending the session, we will have a congregational potluck at 5:00 p.m. on September 15.

**New Choir Season Starting! New members welcome!**

**9:00 AM – Chancel Rehearsal**

**11:15 AM – Bell Choir rehearsal**

**Thank You** – We would like to thank the Chancel Choir for their gift of music today.