

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday, September 26, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Altamont, IL

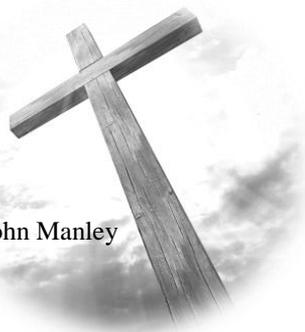
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Rev. Marcus Manley

Elder: Ron Koester Organist & Choir Dir.: Dean Manuel

Crucifer: Tyler Ruffner; Acolyte: Garrett Flood; Book Bearer: John Manley

Ushers: Mike Durbin, Steve Flood, Ronnie Putnam, Mike Wolff



Preservice Music

Ringing of Bells

Prelude - "FATHER WELCOMES" - Robin Mann, tune and text: 1986



✠ HOLY BAPTISM ✠

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*This morning it is our privilege to share in welcoming
into the family of God's grace and the Bethlehem congregation
through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism:*

Samuel Leo Owen

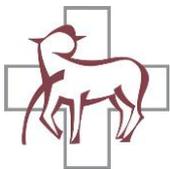
Samuel Leo was born to Luke Owen & Lily Laatsch on August 13, 2021.

His sponsors are August Laatsch, Cori Laatsch, & Jaden Moomaw

The Pastor, candidates, sponsors, and family gather with the pastor at the entrance of the church nave for the beginning of the rite of Holy Baptism.

Hymn #605 "Father Welcomes"

The Pastor and baptismal party will process to the baptismal font after the Lord's Prayer and during the baptismal hymn.



✠ DIVINE SERVICE, *Setting Three* ✠

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✠ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ✠

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✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

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Introit for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Ps. 119:1-2, 5-6; antiphon: Ps. 119:137, 124 (respond with the words in **bold**)

Righteous are you, | O LORD,*

and right are your | just decrees.

Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,*

and teach me your | statutes.

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*

who walk in the law | of the LORD!

Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,*
who seek him with their | whole heart.
Oh that my ways may be | steadfast*
in keeping your | statutes!
Then I shall not be | put to shame,*
having my eyes fixed on all your com- | mandments.
Righteous are you, | O LORD,*
and right are your | just decrees.
Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,*
and teach me your | statutes.

♪ **The Gloria Patri**

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♪ **Kyrie**

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♪ **Gloria in Excelsis**

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♪ **Salutation**

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Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

P: Let us pray. Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: ♪ Amen**

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 25:6-14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,

⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen

⁸do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?

⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another's secret,

¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

¹¹A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprover to a listening ear.

¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.

¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all..

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

C: ♪ *Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

C: ♪ *Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully.

²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?”

⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away.

⁵And he said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?” ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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Please be seated

Hymn of the Day LSB #789 *Praise and Thanksgiving*

Sermon Text: Luke 14:1-11 Title: “*Jesus’ Pledge*”

Outline: **IS IT LAWFUL TO [BE] HUMBLE[D] AND EXALT[ED] ON THE SABBATH OR NOT?**

- I. Yes. It’s lawful to be humbled and exalted on the sabbath by Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath.
- II. Yes. It’s lawful to humble and exalt according to Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath.

Please stand

♪ **Offertory**

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Please be seated

Offering

Please stand as the offering plates are brought forward during the offering hymn

Offering Hymn #781 *We Give Thee But Thine Own* v. 1 & 2

Please be seated

✠ **BLESSING OF THE PLEDGES** ✠

The member representative of your household may bring forward your pledge at this time, as directed by the ushers.

As the pledges are brought forward, Kinderchor will sing "Take My Life and Let It Be"

After all pledges are brought forward and placed in the pledge box, Pastor will have a prayer of blessing.

Please stand

Prayer of the Church

Response after each petition of the prayer:

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

✠ **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT** ✠

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♪ **Preface**

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♪ **Sanctus**

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♪ **Lord's Prayer**

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♪ **The Words of Our Lord**

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♪ **Pax Domini**

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♪ **Agnus Dei**

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Please be seated

Distribution

LSB #618 *I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table*

LSB #730 *What Is the World to Me*

LSB #728 *How Firm a Foundation*

Please stand

♪ **Nunc Dimittis**

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♪ **Thanksgiving**

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♪ **Benediction**

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Announcements

Recessional Hymn LSB #683 *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

(September 2021 Hymn of the Month)

Postlude