September 1, 2024 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 AM



Followers of Christ Obey His Law from the Heart

Atonement Lutheran Church



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Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing The Good News of Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.

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Order of Service: CW Pg 38
Psalm of the day: Ps # 119a CW Pg 109
Hymns: #472, #459, #474, #471

Serving Today

Music: Sam Meister
Usher: Steve Backes
Streaming: Audrey Scharmann

Personal Preparation: Before Worship CW Pg 10

Pastor Greeting:

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Opening Hymn: Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray CW # 472

Order of Worship: Service of the Word CW Pg 38

Confession of Sin Prayer and Praise Prayer of the Day

First Lesson:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9

Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ² Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.

⁶ Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people." ⁷ What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the Lord our God is near us whenever we pray to him? ⁸ And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today?

⁹ Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

Psalm: # 119a CW Pg 109

Second Lesson: Romans 9:30–10:4

³⁰ What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; ³¹ but the people of Israel, who pursued the law as the way of righteousness, have not attained their goal. ³² Why not? Because they pursued it not by faith but as if it were by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone. ³³ As it is written: "See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who believes in him will never be put to shame."

10 Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. ² For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. ³ Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴ Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Verse of the Day: Jeremiah 15:16

When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, Lord God Almighty.

(Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!...)

The Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus ² and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³ (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. ⁴ When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.)

⁵So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, "Why don't your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?" ⁶He replied, "Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: "'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. ⁷They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules.' ⁸You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions."

¹⁴ Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. ¹⁵ Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them."

²¹ For it is from within, out of a person's heart, that evil thoughts come—sexual immorality, theft, murder, ²² adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. ²³ All these evils come from inside and defile a person."

Sing: "Praise be to you, O Christ!"

Hymn of the Day: O God, My Faithful God...... CW # 459

Sermon: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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Apostles Creed:

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The Lord's Prayer: Pg 43

Blessing:

Closing Hymn: Renew Me, O Eternal Light CW # 471

Kindly include Atonement members in your prayers:



Please remember **Fay Jones** in your thoughts and prayers as she deals with back pain resulting from a spine compression fracture. Her condition is improving, and she is grateful for your prayers.

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In-reach event – Good Life Thursdays/Farmers Market at Boordy Vineyards, 3:00pm to 7:00pm.

There is a luggage piece in fellowship hall for a **collection** of **hotel toiletries**. These will go to the **Eastern Family Resource** Center

Sunday, September 8th, we will have an opportunity to celebrate coming births for Tiffany and Joe Buabeng and Pastor and Emily Koelpin.

The Buabengs are registered at **Baby List** and Amazon and the Koelpins are registered at Amazon. Both babies are due end of September, but we thought we should have the shower earlier in the month, because babies don't always come as scheduled! Meal sign-up sheet is in fellowship hall and for more information and ways to help, contact **Ellen Cammarata**.

Shred Day on September 14

Volunteers are needed on **September 14** for our **Fall Shred-Day**. The event runs from **10AM** to **Noon**, so volunteers should plan to arrive around **9:30AM** to help with setup. It's a wonderful opportunity to get together, serve our community, and share **Jesus'** love with people from all over the area. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the fellowship hall. Hope to see you!

The new **Meditations are here**. Please **return** your used-but-still-in-good-condition Meditation to the labeled box back of church. Thank you!

Looking Ahead

Date		Time	Streaming	Music	Usher #1	Comm.
September						
Pentecost 15	1	9:30 AM	Audrey	Sam M.	Steve B.	
Pentecost 16	8	9:30 AM	Megan	HS/ Ellen	Bob B.	Mark F.
Pentecost 17	15	9:30 AM	Dan	HS/ Tim	Bob P.	
Pentecost 18	22	9:30 AM	Mark	HS/Carol	Scott S.	Matt W.
Pentecost 19	29	9:30 AM	Megan	HS/ Dan	Paul K.	Scot S.

September 2024 Birthdays and Anniversaries:

8	Paul Taylor	
9	Cynthia Freeman	
11	Aiga Jaunozolina	
12	Natasha Sullivan	
19	Philip Paul	
20	Dan Meister	
26	Larry & JoHannah Galbreath	26

2024 Cleaning Volunteers for Both the Church and the Fellowship Hall Cleaning may be done any day and time during the week preceding the date indicated below. Thank you.

September 7	Piepers/Schweitzers
September 21	Gerlachs
October 5	Galbreaths
October 19	Carnes