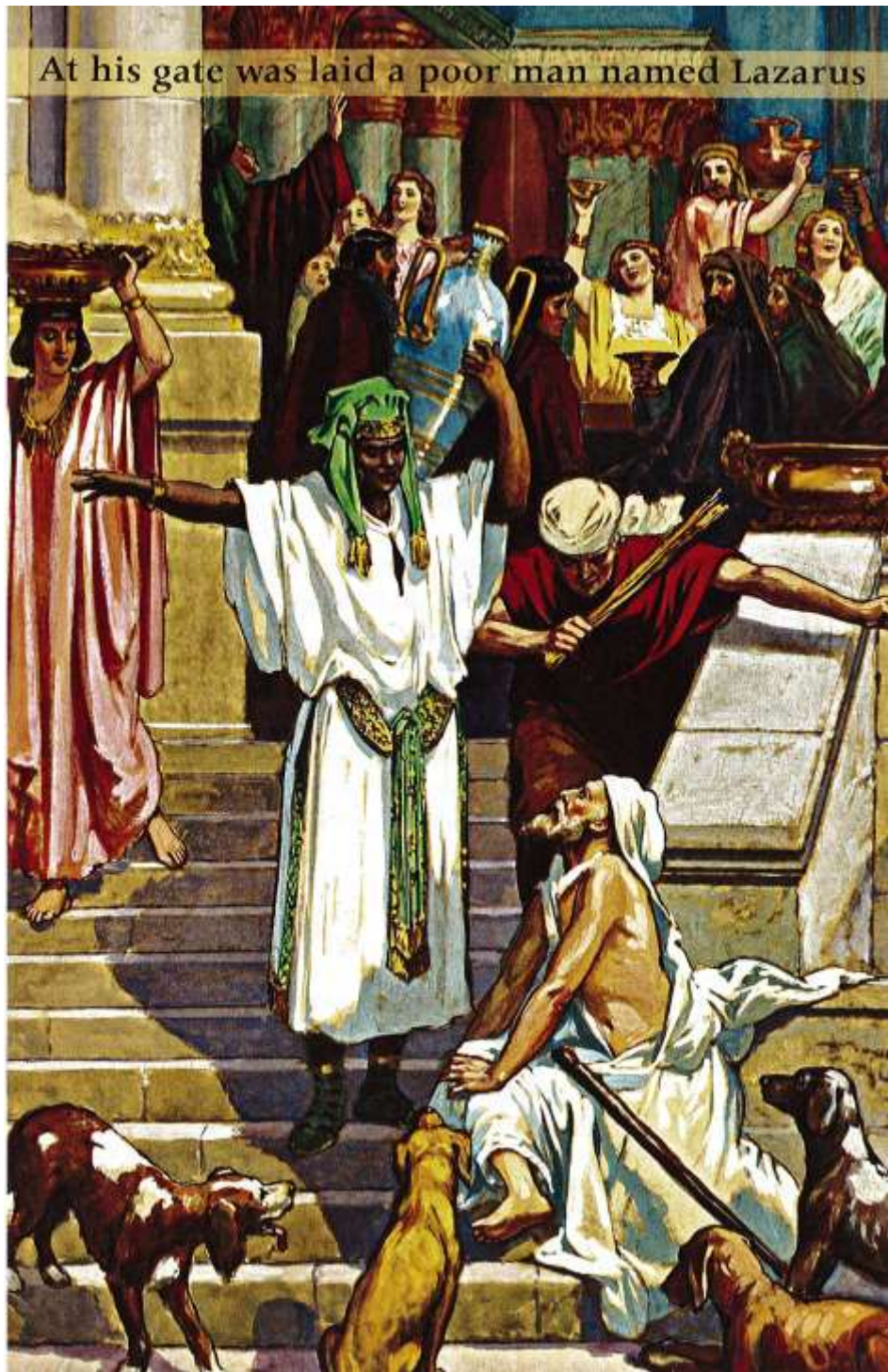


At his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus



ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 25, 2016

Greeter This Week: Daren & Dawn Otto

Greeter Next Week: Alfred & Marlene Rangnow

Reader This Week: Rylan Dreier

Reader Next Week: Mackenzie Blain

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed

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Altar Guild This Month: Dee Moeller & Beverly Bodden

Altar Guild Next Month: May Dell Jacob & Brenda Boor

Communion Assistant This Month: Wanda Hays

Communion Assistant Next Month: Johnny Jank

Large Print Bulletins are available on the narthex table. Please ask an usher for a copy if you would like one.

Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude. Please show your respect with silent meditation at this time.

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Stand p. 56: BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

HYMN: LBW #518 "*Beautiful Savior*"

page 57-58: KYRIE

page 59: HYMN OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray

All O Almighty and most Merciful God, through your bountiful goodness, keep us from all things that may hurt us, that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that you would have us do. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1-7

¹“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! ²Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, ³O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and

calves from the midst of the stall, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**²Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,
for there is no help in them.**

³When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.

**⁴Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!
whose hope is in the Lord their God;**

⁵Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps his promise forever;

**⁶Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.**

⁷The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

**⁸The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger;
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of
the wicked.**

⁹The Lord shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 3:1-13

¹The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. ²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. ⁴He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, ⁵for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? ⁶He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. ⁷Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. ⁸Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. ⁹They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. ¹¹Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things. ¹²Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. ¹³For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

Stand page 62: GOSPEL VERSE "Alleluia"

GOSPEL READING

Luke 16:19-31

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 16th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*sung*)

¹⁹{Jesus said,} "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted

up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house — ²⁸for I have five brothers — so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*sung*)

Sit MESSAGE

HYMN: WOV #770 *“I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”*

HOLY BAPTISM (LBW pg. 121)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Stand page 66: SHARING OF THE PEACE

Sit OFFERING

Stand page 75: OFFERTORY “Create in Me”
page 76: PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
page 76: THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

HYMN: LBW #296 “*Just as I Am, without One Plea*”

P Go in peace, serve the Lord
C **Thanks be to God**

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn #565)

POSTLUDE

St. John Meyersville
<https://www.facebook.com/Stjohnmeyersville>



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 9/25 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation
10:15 a.m. Worship-SOTW

Mon 9/26 Office Closed

Tues 9/27 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Office Hours
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

Wed 9/28 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Office Hours
9:00 a.m. Old Stone Church
1:30 p.m. Quilters

Thurs 9/29 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Office Hours

Fri 9/30 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Office Hours

Next Sun Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Confirmation
10:15 a.m. Worship
*3:00-5:00 p.m. *Ice Cream Social*

Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John's



Sunday, September 18, 2016:

Offering:

Total Offering- \$2,226.47

Attendance: Worship- 126 Sunday School- 15 Adults- 25 Children

ACOLYTES



Please sign up to acolyte for the upcoming months. Thank you.

Mission of the Month of September:



ZOE International

Mission Statement

REACHING EVERY PERSON.
RESCUING EVERY CHILD.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)

ZOE International is a Christian anti-human trafficking organization with the mission to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ and to make disciples of the unreached people of the world and to demonstrate God's compassion through rescuing and caring for orphans and children from human trafficking. *Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. James 1:27 (ESV)*

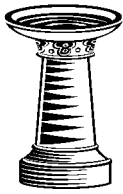
VISION: EVERY PERSON REACHED. EVERY CHILD RESCUED.

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. John 17:3 (NASV)

ZOE International's vision is to fulfill God's dream that every person on earth will know Him and possess eternal Life through Jesus Christ; and, that in lands where Christ is unknown, His love will be experienced, His Kingdom will reign, His Church will be built, His disciples will multiply, and He will be glorified for who He is. ZOE International is a 501C3

For more information please visit their website: <http://www.goZOE.org>

HOLY BAPTISM



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Today we welcome as a member by Holy Baptism *Crosson William Rains*, son of Cory & Lacey Rains. Sponsors for his Baptism are Sydney Moore & Holden & Melanie Light.

CHURCH RENOVATION FUND

On August 28, 2016, our congregation voted to establish a fund for installation of the elevator and other church renovations. Anyone wishing to give to the renovation project may do so by designating "Church Renovation" or "Elevator Fund" on their check or on the pew giving envelope.



Annual Festival

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Cordially invites you and your family to our Annual Festival
11220 FM 237 Meyersville, Texas

Today, September 25, 2016

There will be a Silent Auction, Country Store, Bingo,
Cake Walk & Kids Games

Barbecue Beef Dinner

Serving: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Dine In or Plates-to-Go \$10.00

Live Auction @ 1:00

Bingo @ 1:00



Ice Cream Social

Please sign up to bring something to the Ice Cream Social on October 2nd. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Thank you.



Youth Group

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex if you would like to provide a meal for one of the Youth Group gatherings. We truly appreciate all the help from our congregation.

*Youth Group will meet next on Wednesday,

October 12th, 6-8 pm.



PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And please update your request at least once a month so the list can be kept current and up to date. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel (361-275-5979)

Our Military and their families:

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force, Deployed to Afghanistan

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves

John Otto - USMC, Norfolk, VA

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Germany

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force



Please Pray for: Lisa Kincart
Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick

Homebound: Cleo Wendel, Helen Mae Egg, Bette Jo Haun

Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.

Pentecost 19

September 25, 2016

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 21 (Year C)



As disciples of Christ, we are called to care for the poor, ill, hungry, and thirsty as God has cared for all of our needs. Living a life of comfort and sumptuousness with no regard for those who have nothing is to defy the will of God for our lives. Jesus taught that what we give in this life is what we receive in the next as he pointed to a rich man who had no regard for poor Lazarus in life, and so he suffered in death.