

**Muddy Creek Lutheran Church**  
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**Celebrating 290 Years!**

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The 10:15 a.m. service will be livestreamed and posted today on our YouTube channel and Facebook Page.

*Homecoming 290 Sunday and Harvest Home, Oct. 9, 2022, 10:15 a.m.*

\* = Please stand as you are able      All congregational responses are in **bold**

*Welcome to Muddy Creek! Masks are currently optional for worship.*

Announcements, Welcoming to Homecoming, Waving Hello

- Prelude: *Highland Cathedral*.....Scottish Melody
- \*Gathering Hymn: “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” .....#693
- \*Greeting C: **And also with you** .....page 138
- \*Kyrie.....page 138
- \*Canticle of Praise (“Glory to God...”)...page 139
- \*Prayer of the Day C: **Amen**
- Choir Anthem: “*I Thank Thee, Lord*”.....S. H. Paterson

First Bible Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman’s wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, “If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.” <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.” <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.” <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean?’” <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a-c</sup>Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 111 (Congregational responses in bold)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with <sup>1</sup> my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the <sup>1</sup> congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are your <sup>1</sup> works, O LORD,  
pondered by all who de- <sup>1</sup> light in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Majesty and splendor <sup>1</sup> mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness en- <sup>1</sup> dures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**You cause your wonders to <sup>1</sup> be remembered;  
you are gracious and full <sup>1</sup> of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to <sup>1</sup> those who fear you,  
remembering forev- <sup>1</sup> er your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power <sup>1</sup> of your works  
in giving them the lands <sup>1</sup> of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithful- <sup>1</sup> ness and justice;  
all of your pre- <sup>1</sup> cepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forev- <sup>1</sup> er and ever,  
because they are done in <sup>1</sup> truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people and commanded your cove- <sup>1</sup> nant forever;  
holy and awesome <sup>1</sup> is your name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the begin- <sup>1</sup> ning of wisdom;  
all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise en- <sup>1</sup> dures forever.**

Second Bible Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; <sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; <sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful - for he cannot deny himself. <sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth. L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

\*Gospel Acclamation: .....page 142  
(Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia)

\*Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to

return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

L: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message

Sermon

\*Hymn of the Day: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling".....#608

\*Apostles' Creed.....page 105

\*Hymn #752 ("Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

**Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**")

\*Prayers of the Church P: Lord, in your mercy C: **Hear our prayer**

\*Lord's Prayer.....page 145

\*Blessing: C: **Amen** (sung)

\*Sending Hymn: "Praise and Thanksgiving" .....#689

\*Dismissal P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude – *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*.....A. Messiter

### Announcements

**Welcome** to everyone, especially all visitors and guests! If you are visiting today, it would be really appreciated if you would fill out the yellow card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Welcome!

**Welcome to Homecoming 290!** Today, we welcome all present and past participants of Muddy Creek Lutheran Church to a special Homecoming Celebration at both services. This is part of this year's 290<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Muddy Creek (founded in 1732). We are also celebrating "Harvest Home" as part of the Homecoming.

Special things today include name tags for everyone (please get one from an entry table and wear it during the service), free door prizes of Muddy Creek cookbooks for everyone who wants one (pick one up from the table near the mailboxes), special refreshments in the sanctuary following the services, and a display of historic photos on tables by the mailboxes. Also, copies of the History of Muddy Creek and copies of the Stained Glass Window Tour are available near the mailboxes. Welcome to Homecoming 290!

**Thank You to Everyone for Bringing in Food for the Harvest Home Display:** Thank you to everyone who brought in canned goods and other food for the Harvest Home Display at the Homecoming today. All the collected food will be given to Peter's Porch, a food bank we help support at Faith United Lutheran Church in Denver. A special thank you to Jeanette Leid for arranging the display.

**Don't Miss All Saints Sunday on November 6<sup>th</sup>!** At both services on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, you are invited to come and remember all loved ones who have passed away in your life with a special candlelighting ceremony in the pews. We will also toll the chimes and specially remember all those from Muddy Creek who passed away since All Saints Day last year, and celebrate Holy Communion. Don't miss this moving service! (Note: This is also the Sunday that clocks change back one hour.)

**Can You Help Tie Prayers on to Prayer Squares or Sign Cards for Stockings for Soldiers?**

If you are able to help, please pick up a bag of 100 prayers squares and tags from under the mailboxes, tie the laminated prayers on, and return them so that we can send them to deployed Pennsylvania military personnel through the Stockings for Soldiers program. Please see Judy Dengler if you have any questions. In the past five years, our congregation has made and sent nearly 20,000 prayer squares! Also, please pick up Christmas cards to write a note on and sign for a soldier, and return the cards back to the church.

**Thank You to MGS**, the trailer manufacturing business next to the church that parks in our parking lot. They have generously re-paved and striped half of the lower parking lot for us, and have paid for everything. They will re-pave the other half of the lot next year. Thank you, MGS!

**Choir Rehearsals** are now twice a month on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The next rehearsal is this Thursday Oct. 20, and the choir will sing in church on Oct. 23. Everyone invited to sing!

**There will be no Prayer Shawl Knitting Gatherings** during the month of October.

**The Rosebud on the Altar Today** is to honor the birth of Hannah Claire Gallagher on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to parents Lauren and Mark Gallagher and to big brother Christopher. Welcome Hannah!

**In our Prayers:** Gloria Aseli, Lesia Aungst, Dorothy Beam, the Dalo family, Elaine Gehman, Fred Hainley, Alex Harding, Darla Heckman, Pat Kagarise, Joyce Keith at the death of her brother Park Hirneisen on Oct. 1, Tina Lavrenchuk, the Martin family, Sandy Miles, Mary Miller, David Moodhart, Charles Moyer, Jean Moyer, Paul Moyer, George Nagle, Betty Ramsey, Bev Rightnour, the Riggle family, Bev Rightnour, Millie Shober, Walt Siegel, Lucy Snader, Janet Sweigart, Becky Thunberg, Jim and Mary Ann Weber, Harold Weinhold, Michael Weinhold.

**Attendance and Giving:**

Attendance Oct. 2: 8:00 a.m. – 27, 10:15 a.m. – 52, Online (YouTube and Facebook) - 51

Received through end of Sept.: \$125,371.75      Expenses thru Sept.: \$151,304.78

Received on Oct. 2: \$2,436.55      Received Oct. to date: \$2,436.55

Air Conditioning Fund Total as of Oct. 2 (donations still gratefully accepted): \$9,043.10

**Worship Helpers Today:**

10:15 a.m. Acolyte:

10:15 a.m. Lay Reader: Jill Youndt

10:15 a.m. Cantor: Hollie Kemper

10:15 a.m. Money Counters: David and June Sloat

**Worship Helpers Next Sunday (Oct. 16):**

10:15 a.m. Acolyte: Mason Sheaffer

10:15 a.m. Lay Reader:

10:15 a.m. Cantor: Pastor Peter

10:15 a.m. Money Counters: Jim Weber, Jane Wenger