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17th Sunday after Pentecost



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*At Abiding Word
We gather around the Word (worship)
We grow in the Word (education)
And we share the Word with the world (outreach).*



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Welcome!

To all who have gathered here this morning we welcome you in the name of Christ our Lord. Through him we have access to God in boldness and confidence. (Ephesians 3:12) Join us for coffee after the service. If you would like to socialize responsibly before and after the service, please use the fellowship hall or entryway. To allow for social distancing, please don't linger in front of the kitchen and bathroom.

Lutheran Worship

The Lutheran church is a liturgical church. Lutherans believe that the gospel is not only the good news that Jesus has saved sinners, but also the power God uses to create and strengthen faith in Jesus. Lutheran worship places the gospel in central focus in an order of service called the liturgy. Through the sermon, Lord's Supper, in specially selected Bible readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and confessions, the liturgy points to Jesus as the Savior of all.

HYMN: ALL PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE



1 All praise to God who reigns a - bove, The
 2 I cried to him in time of need: Lord
 3 The Lord will not for - sake his flock, His
 4 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, To
 5 Then come be - fore his pres - ence now And



God of all cre - a - tion, The God of
 God, oh, hear my call - ing! For death he
 cho - sen gen - er - a - tion; He is their
 God give praise and glo - ry! All who the
 ban - ish fear and sad - ness; To your Re -



won - ders, pow'r, and love, The God of
 gave me life in - deed And kept my
 ref - uge and their rock, Their peace and
 Fa - ther's pow'r pro - claim, To God give
 deem - er pay your vow And sing with



our sal - va - tion! With heal - ing balm my
 feet from fall - ing. For this my thanks shall
 their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's
 praise and glo - ry! All i - dols un - der
 joy and glad - ness. Though great dis - tress my



soul he fills, The God who ev - 'ry sor - row
 end - less be; Oh, thank him, thank our God with
 ten - der hand He leads his own, his cho - sen
 foot be trod; The Lord is God! The Lord is
 soul be - fell, The Lord my God did all things



stills— To God all praise and glo - ry!
 me— To God all praise and glo - ry!
 band— To God all praise and glo - ry!
 God! To God all praise and glo - ry!
 well— To God all praise and glo - ry!



M: O Lord, o - pen my lips.



C: And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



M: Has - ten to save me. O God.



C: O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

CONFESSION OF SINS

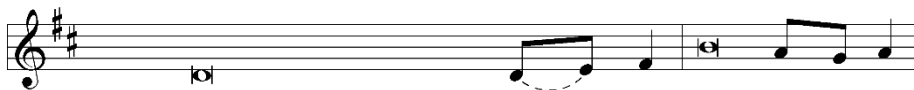
M: Let us confess our sins.

C: **O Lord, eternal Father, with sorrow and remorse I approach Your throne of grace. I have much to confess, for I have not been Your obedient child or servant.**

For my many sins I confess my guilt and know full well I stand under Your eternal judgment.

But I am repentant, O Lord, and by the holy blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, cancel out the handwriting against me and renew me with Your Holy Spirit.

M: Rejoice and be happy. God in his word assures you that you have been forgiven. God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. In him we have redemption, through his blood the forgiveness of sins.



M: (Pentecost) The Spirit of the Lord _____ fills the world: let us wor - ship him.

C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of
our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv - ing,
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a
great God and a great king a-bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are
in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he
made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and
bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Be seated

PSALM OF THE DAY

PSALM 116

Refrain



I will walk in the pres-ence of the Lord, in the land of the liv - ing.

Psalm tone



I love the LORD, for he heard my voice;
he heard my cry for mercy.
Because he turned his ear to me,
I will call on him as long as I live.
The LORD is gracious and righteous;
when I was in great need, he saved me.

REFRAIN

For you, O LORD, have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling,
How can I repay the LORD
for all his goodness to me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
And to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

REFRAIN

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 50:4-10

The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears, and I have not been rebellious; I have not drawn back. I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who is he that will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let him who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

SECOND LESSON

JAMES 2:1-5,8-10,14-18

My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?

If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.

GOSPEL

MARK 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ." Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him.

He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."

Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it.

M: Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

453 Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spoke, "All in my
 2 "I am the light; I light the way, A god - ly
 3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
 4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
 5 Then let us fol - low Christ our Lord And take the



way a - bid - ing. De - ny your - selves; the
 life dis - play - ing. I bid you walk as
 love is glow - ing, And gra - cious words my
 souls' sal - va - tion, Your hearts from ev - 'ry
 cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing



world for - sake; O - bey my call and guid - ing.
 in the day; I keep your feet from stray - ing.
 lips ex - press, With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing.
 guile to free, From sin and its temp - ta - tion.
 to his Word, In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed.



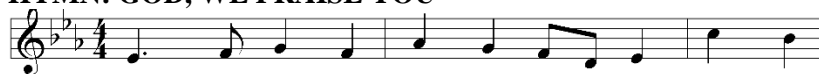
Oh, bear the cross, what - e'er be - tide; Take
 I am the way, and well I show How
 My heart, my mind, my strength, my all To
 I am the ref - uge of the soul And
 For those who bear the bat - tle's strain The



my ex - am - ple for your guide.
 you should jour - ney here be - low.
 God I yield; on him I call.
 lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."
 crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77, abr., st. 1-3, 5; *Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge*, 1695, st. 4; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96, alt.
 Tune: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT (87 87 88) Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555–1613, adapt.

HYMN: GOD, WE PRAISE YOU



1 God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we
 2 True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who
 3 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, Ev - er -
 4 Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will



name you sov - 'reign Lord! Might - y King whom
 set their world a - blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un -
 last - ing Son of God, Hum - ble was your
 judge the world you made; Lord, in mer - cy



an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther, by your Church a -
 known, un - heed - ed, Join one grow - ing song of
 vir - gin moth - cr, Hard the lone - ly path you
 help your ser - vants For whose free - dom you have



dored: All cre - a - tion shows your glo -
 praise, While your Church on earth con - fess -
 trod: By your cross is sin de - feat -
 paid: Raise us up from dust to glo -



ry; Heav'n and earth draw near your throne,
 es One ma - jes - tic Trin - i - ty:
 ed, Hell con - front - ed face - to face,
 ry; Guard us from all sin to - day.



Sing - ing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Heav - en o - pened to be - liev - ers,
 King en - throned a - bove all prais - es,



Lord of hosts and God a - lone!"
 God, our hope e - ter - nal - ly.
 Sin - ners jus - ti - fied by grace.
 Save your peo - ple, God, we pray.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.



M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

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Jesus, Lead Us On



1 Je - sus, lead us on Till our rest is won;
 2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near,
 3 When we seek re - lief From a long - felt grief,
 4 Je - sus, still lead on Till our rest is won.



And al - though the way be cheer - less,
 Let not faith - less fears o'er - take us;
 When temp - ta - tions come al - lur - ing,
 Heav'n - ly Lead - er, still di - rect us;



We will fol - low, calm and fear - less.
 Let not faith and hope for - sake us,
 Make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
 Still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us



Guide us by your hand To our fa - ther - land.
 For through man - y a woe To our home we go.
 Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.
 Till we safe - ly stand In our fa - ther - land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–60, adapt.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt.
 Tune: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM (55 88 55) Adam Drese, 1620–1701.