

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH @ SOUTH PARK

A PLACE OF GRACE WITH A CALL FOR ALL

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022



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PRELUDE

Vater unser im Himmelreich
“Our Father in heaven”

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CONFESSTION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit ✝ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table.

When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors.

Amen.

P: God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

God is Here! ELW 526

- 1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

- 3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt, keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

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GREETING ELW p.147

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST) ELW p.148

Assisting minister

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

A reading from Habakkuk.

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not listen?
Or cry to you “Violence!”
and you will not save?
³Why do you make me see wrongdoing
and look at trouble?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.
⁴So the law becomes slack
and justice never prevails.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgment comes forth
perverted.

^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost,
and station myself on the rampart;
I will keep watch to see what he will say
to me,
and what he will answer concerning my
complaint.

²Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so that a runner may read it.

³For there is still a vision for the
appointed time;
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;

it will surely come, it will not delay.

⁴Look at the proud!
Their spirit is not right in them,
but the righteous live by their faith.

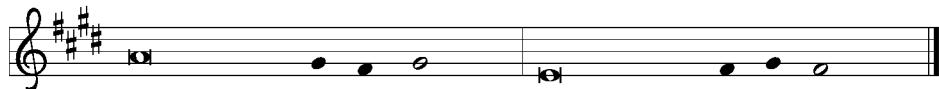
P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 37: 1-9

(First time through, organ; second time through, cantor; third time through, congregation)

Refrain:



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Tone:



Com - mit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD.

Psalm 37:5

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¹Do not be provoked by **I** evildoers;
do not be jealous of those **I** who do wrong.

²**For they shall soon wither **I** like the grass,**
and like the green grass **I fade away.**

³Put your trust in the LORD**I** and do good;
dwell in the land and **I** find safe pasture.

⁴**Take delight **I** in the LORD,**
who shall give you your **I heart's desire. R**

⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust **I** in the LORD,
and see what **I** God will do.

⁶**The LORD will make your vindication as clear **I** as the light**
and the justice of your case like the **I noonday sun.**

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait **I** patiently.
Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in **I** evil schemes.

⁸**Refrain from anger, leave **I** rage alone;**
do not be provoked; it leads on- **I ly to evil.**

⁹For evildoers shall **I** be cut off,
but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- **I** sess the land. R

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

A reading from 2 Timothy.

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

²To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

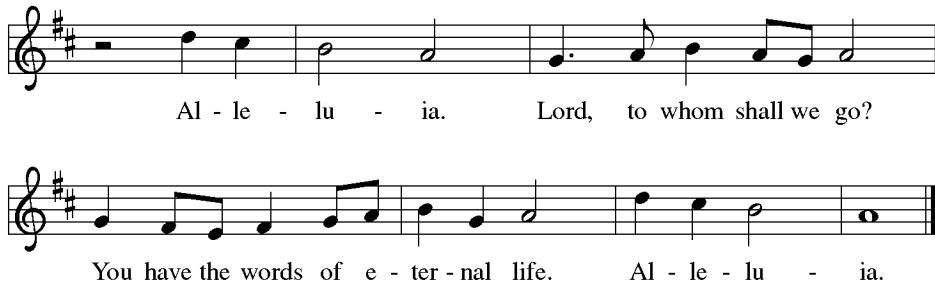
³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p.151



The musical notation consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and common time. It contains six measures of music with lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia." The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "Lord, to whom shall we go?" The third staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and common time. It contains five measures of music with lyrics: "You have the words of e - ter - nal life." The fourth staff concludes the acclamation with lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia."

GOSPEL: Luke 17: 5-10

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

⁷“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?’ ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

My Faith Looks Up to Thee ELW 759

- 1 My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!

Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away,
oh, let me from this day
be wholly thine!

- 2 May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;
as thou hast died for me,
oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be,
a living fire!

- 3 While life's dark maze I tread
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;
bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.

- 4 When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
shall o'er me roll;
blest Savior, then, in love
fear and distrust remove;
oh, bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul!

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

APOSTLE'S CREED ELW p.105

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: God of grace.

C: Hear our prayer.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

CHORAL ANTHEM

Spirit Now Live in Me

Bryan Leech arr. Fred Bock

O holy Dove of God descending, You are love that knows no ending,
All of our shattered dreams you're mending, Spirit, now live in me.
O holy Wind of God now blowing, You are the seed that God is sowing,
You are the life that starts us growing, Spirit, now live in me.
O holy Rain of God now falling, You make the Word of God entralling,
You are that inner voice now calling, Spirit, now live in me.
O holy Flame of God now burning, You are the power of Christ returning,
You are the answer to our yearning, Spirit, now live in me.

OFFERING PRAYER

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW p.152

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also, with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p.153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER ELW p.154

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

You may commune where you are seated with the elements you brought with you, or you may come forward from the center aisle and Pastor will place, in your open hand, a gluten-free wafer which you may then dip into the chalice of wine held by the assisting minister. After you have dipped the bread into the chalice of wine, you may return to your seat by the side aisle.

LAMB OF GOD ELW p.154

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SENDING HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing ELW 886

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease,
sings music in the sinner's ears,
brings life and health and peace.
- 4 He speaks, and list'ning to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,
O fallen human race!
Look and be saved through faith alone,
be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love
be now and ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

DISMISSAL ELW p.155

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Wir glauben all an einen Gott

Samuel Schedit

"We all believe in one true God"

Readings and Psalm: Sunday, October 9, 2022

2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c

Psalm 111

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Luke 17: 11-19



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