

Zion St. John Lutheran Church

*Being the Body of Christ*

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9:00 am

17th Sunday of Pentecost

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 150TH VIDEO

*Stand*

### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

### OPENING HYMN

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

WOV #771

## GREETING

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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. **Amen**

*Sit*

### SPECIAL MUSIC

*Big House*

SS Choir

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### FIRST LESSON: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup> O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous;

therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> For 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.

<sup>4</sup> Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them,

but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

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

<sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> I 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.

<sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I 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. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

<sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and 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 the deposit I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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#### GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup> The 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.

<sup>7</sup> "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'? <sup>8</sup> Would 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'? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the

slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So 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!' "

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

*Sit*

#### SERMON

**HYMN OF THE DAY**    *How Firm a Foundation*        LBW #507

*Stand*

#### APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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**

#### PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

#### THE PRAYERS

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*After each petition:* God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*Sit*

#### OFFERING

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### Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
 2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
 3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
 he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
 when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

#### Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.  
 Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

### Stand OFFERTORY

#### *Christ is the Same*

#### Refrain



Through - out all of his - to - ry, Christ is the same.



Yes - ter - day, to - day, to - mor - row pro - claim. Be -



fore, be - side, for - ev - er - more: Christ is the same.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ

our Lord. Amen

### GREAT THANKSGIVING



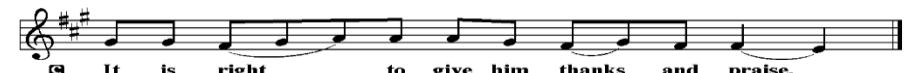
The Lord be with you. ☩ And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. ☩ We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



☩ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

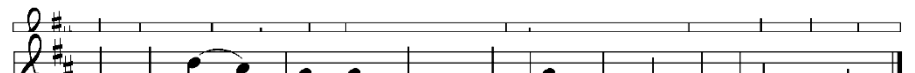
### PREFACE/ SANCTUS



☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen

### LAMB OF GOD



*Sit*

COMMUNION *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* LBW #293

*Stand*

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING/ CANTICLE

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
Amen



### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

*Sit*

### BLESSING OF FUTURE LEADER DOG DOBBY

### BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN *Lord Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* LBW #259

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

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### Stewardship

**...we offer with joy and thanksgiving what God has first given us  
Our Selves...**

Ministers...The Members of Zion St. John Lutheran Church

Music...Cindy H Lector...Diane W

Acolyte...Cooper W Crucifer...Lillian W

Greeter/ Fellowship....Judy S

Audio/Visual...Scott C and Fred R

**Our Time...**

Sept 28...63 LSV...19 SS...25

**And Our Possessions...**

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**...signs of your gracious love**