

St. Mark's Lutheran Church Sunday, October 2, 2022 17th Sunday after Pentecost

INTRODUCTION

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

WELCOME/ANNOUCEMENTS

The October Noisy Offering collection will go to the Olathe Animal Shelter . The flowers today are in celebration of Donna Nichol's birthday. Happy Birthday, Donna!



Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us.

We have harmed your good creation.

We have failed to do justice,

love kindness,

and walk humbly with you.

Turn us in a new direction.

Show us the path that leads to life.

Be our refuge and strength on the journey,

through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,

who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love

through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



GATHERING HYMN ELW 825, vs. 1 & 2

You Servants of God

1 You servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name;

the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious and rules over all! Ascended on high, almighty to save, yet still he is nigh, his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph shall sing,

ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

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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.**

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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.

CARILLON RINGERS "This Is My Father's World" arranged by Cathy and David Moklebust, with Carillon Ringers, Choir, Flute-Lisa Erickson, Organ-Tom Watgen

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

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.

The Word of The Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 37:1-9

Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD. (Ps. 37:5)

¹Do not be provoked by evildoers;

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away. ³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

⁴Take delight in the LORD,

who shall give you your heart's desire.

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

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

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

⁸Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;

do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

⁹For evildoers shall be cut off,

but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

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 accord-

ing 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.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 151 Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the 17th Chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

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!' "



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HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 759

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

- 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

APOSTLES CREED

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

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation. A brief silence.

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ. Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster (*especially*): relieve those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For every nation and for those entrusted with authority: grant our leaders selfdiscipline in all things, and inspire them with love for your people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For this and every congregation: rekindle your gifts within your people, and inspire councils, committees, and individuals to plan and work together that all may know your love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving that you have abolished death, and for the saints who have died (*especially*). Bring us all to eternal life with you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 our thanks and praise. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn. Holy, Holy pg. 153 WORDS OF INSTITUTION LORD'S PRAYER INVITATION TO COMMUNION Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see. COMMUNION COMMUNION SONG pg. 154 COMMUNION HYMNS ELW 661

I Love to Tell the Story

 I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
 I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love. how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain* ELW 471

Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread together on our knees; let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

- 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees; let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*
- 3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

BLESSING

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN ELW 883

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

- All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
 without our aid he did us make.
 We are his folk, he doth us feed,
 and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 Oh, enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto;

praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

- 4 For why? The Lord our God is good:His mercy is forever sure;his truth at all times firmly stood,and shall from age to age endure.
- 5 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heav'n and earth adore, from us and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you. Thanks be to God.



PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain. Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

St. Mark's members:

Donna Frenzl, Linda Westbrook, George McElroy, Nan Wolfe, Pete and Linda Cagle, Shane Paulson, Janet Schmidt, Susan & Bill Roberts, Phyllis Dettmer, Madison Young

Family & friends:

Bill Benne, friend of Joyce and Louis Johnson, Ron & Susan Laliberte, neighbors of Barbara Strampe. Ed Colson, friend of Kathy Hinkle, Austin, Grandson of Jim & Mary Weeg, Jean, Hackler family member, Tyler, friend of Fetsch family, Cindy Campbell, sister of Joni Benz, Lynn, Dennis & Sharon Thee, relatives of Barbara Strampe, John, brother of Ken Griffitt, Bonnie, friend of Susan Fetsch, Candy, sister of Tom Bryer, Craig Aldag, Uncle of Ali Luin, Family of Matt, Son-in-law of Jenny Wheeler, Erma Johnson, Aunt of Joni Benz, Manuel & family, friend of Jenny Wheeler's grandson, Donna McCarthy, friend of Ginny Schwartzbeck, Jo Ann Sidoreus, friend of Pastor Kris, Juliana Marie McClelland, friend of Susan Roberts, Andrew, friend of the Scherrers, Ron, Nephew of Jenny Wheeler, Kenny Belcher, friend of Steve Benz, Craig Downing, Father of Joni Benz, Suzie, Aunt of Nancy Bryer, Jenny Mack, Niece of Jenny Wheeler, Chris, Brother of Pete Cagle, Amber Smith, friend of Pete Cagle, Family of Kathy, cousin of Barb Nail, Leo Patton, Grandfather of Jason Howe,

Gary Stepenson, Uncle of Jason Howe, Rowan Espey, family of Barbara Strampe, Lena Shelton, friend of the Schmideskamps, Peggy Hinkle, Step-Mother of Kathy Hinkle, Stephanie Herndon, friend of Kathy Hinkle, Tim Eiter, Father of Todd Eiter, Rebeka Gillette, friend of Janet Nichols, Jackie Warriner. Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart. Don Thun, Father of Matt Thun, Katherine Gile, sister of Anne Gardner, Matt Warriner, Great Nephew of Linda Goodheart, Joan Nelson, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart, Gibby, friend of Erica Bryer, Joanne, Amy Fisher's sister, Neil Warriner, Linda Goodheart's brother, Judy Wendt, Jeannine Matthew's sister-in-law. Donna Poppe, friend of St. Marks, Rosemary Williams & her sons Wayne & Wade Beck, Brooke Harris, friend of Gretchen Goodheart Stewart, Dan Ostergaard - friend of the Goodhearts, Bruce Dawson, friend of the Goodhearts, Jackson Werth, friend of the Bott/Bollinger Families, Kirk Wheeler, cousin of Verna McMullin, All People affected by natural disasters

Those in the Military:

A.J. Simons, nephew of Stan and Karen Thompson, Logan Peck, nephew of Karen and Stan