

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church & School



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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Learning as we worship: (watch for the *** for explanations of the reasons we practice certain parts of the Divine Service):*

+ God Removes our Sin and Guilt +

**** The reason for public confession and absolution is not to drag us down reminding us of sin, but in order that when we gather in the presence of Almighty God we may be honest about our lives and not justify our sins before the face of God who sees all things, including our hearts. When we confess sins, it is not simply for the purpose of confession, although we do receive great blessings in confessing sins. It is ultimately for the purpose of leading us to the perfection and righteousness of Jesus Christ. We stand before God and come boldly to His throne of grace, not because we are able to live perfect lives, but rather, because of our Lord's perfection, given us in our baptism. Therefore, confession and absolution reminds us that our righteousness is not our own, but is the righteousness of another, namely Jesus of Nazareth crucified and risen for the forgiveness of all our sins. His forgiveness inspires us to forgive others in Christ.*

Pastor's Welcome

***Please stand if you're able on the last verse of the hymn and turn and face the cross for our procession*

Processional Hymn

576 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

**** When the pastor speaks Holy absolution in the Divine Service he is simply a mouthpiece of God. He is being used by God so that we might hear a real voice, at a real time, on a real day, at a real address, say that our sins are really forgiven. Hear the pastor as if God is speaking directly to you, for He is serving in the Office of*

the Keys, an office called by God. Go forth undoubting that all our sins are truly forgiven. Jesus bore every single one on the cross. In this we rejoice with joy unceasing!

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+ God Comes to Us in His Holy Word +

Introit *Psalm 119:162, 164–165, 167; antiphon: v. 166*

I hope for your salvation, O LORD,
and I do your commandments.

I rejoice at your word
like one who finds great spoil.

Seven times a day I praise you
for your just and righteous decrees.

Great peace have those who love your law;
nothing can make them stumble.

My soul keeps your testimonies;
I love them exceedingly.

**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.

I hope for your salvation, O LORD,
and I do your commandments.

**** The term “Kyrie” is a Koine (Common) Greek word that means “Lord”. This is arguably one of the oldest parts of the our church service, dating back to the 2nd century AD and probably before. Think about it, the Kyrie was probably something the 12 the disciples said with Jesus when He was with them. Amazing!!*

Kyrie

LSB 152

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

**** The Church is a singing Church! Some wonder why we sing so much in our church service. The answer? In God's Word look what happens after major events where God acts on behalf of His people. After the Exodus, what does Moses do once they are safe from Pharaoh's army? He sings the Song of Moses. Hannah also sings when she realizes God has opened her womb, so does the virgin Mary at the marvelous news she received. We sing because of the great things God has done. Lift your voices to God our Heavenly Father for He has done marvelous things in His Son Jesus Christ.*

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154



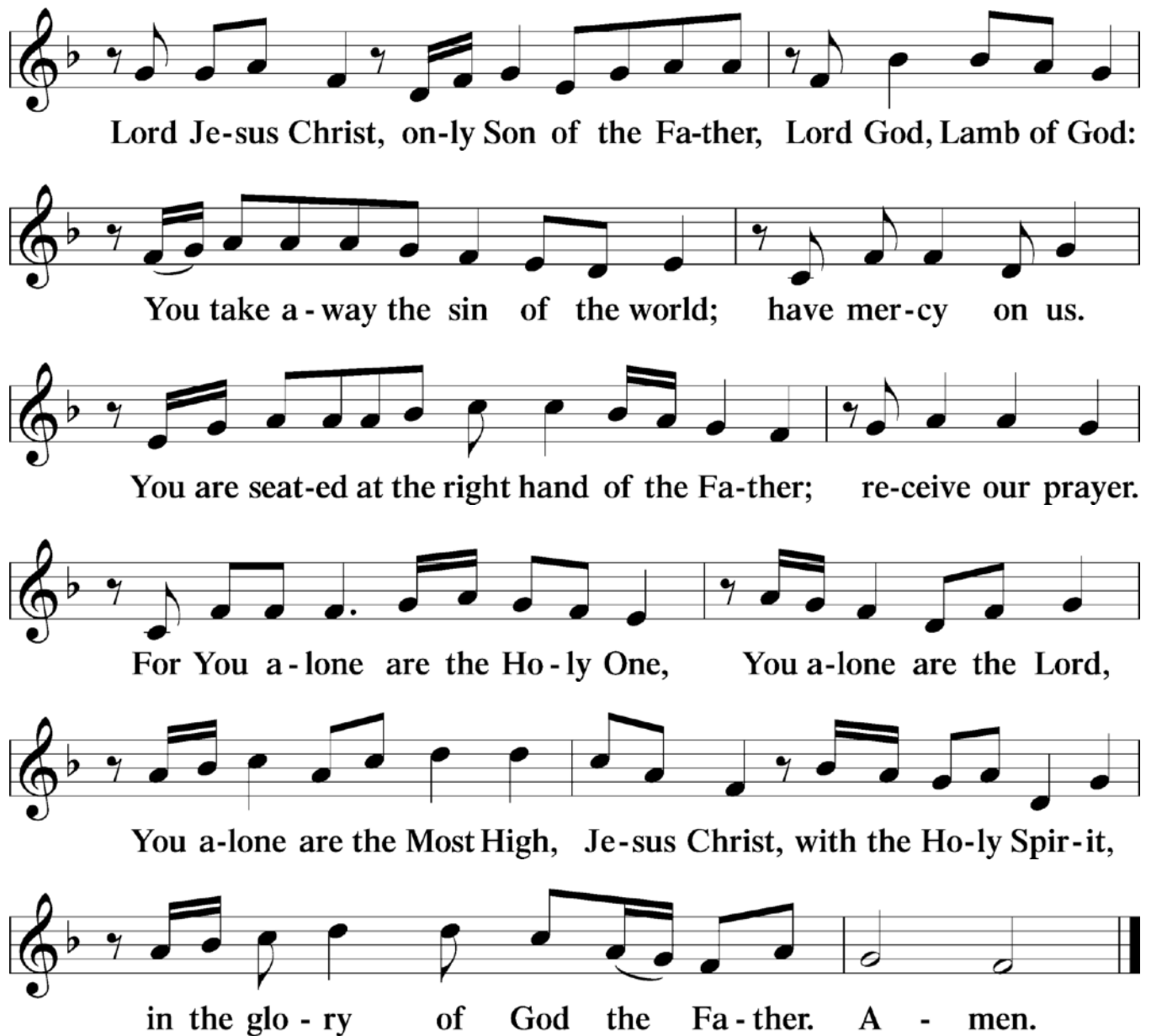
A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C 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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

***Please be seated*

Old Testament Reading

Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

¹The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you “Violence!”
and you will not save?

³Why do you make me see iniquity,
and why do you idly look at wrong?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

⁴So the law is paralyzed,
and justice never goes forth.
For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.

¹I will take my stand at my watchpost
and station myself on the tower,
and look out to see what he will say to me,
and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

²And the LORD answered me:

“Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so he may run who reads it.

³For still the vision awaits its appointed time;
it hastens to the end—it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it;
it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,
but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon

The children come forward to the altar

Epistle

2 Timothy 1:1–14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according
to the promise of the 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 thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. ⁶For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

⁸Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹²which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***Please stand if you're able and turn and face the cross*

****The reason we stand for the reading of the Holy Gospel is simply to show reverence and respect for God's Holy Word when it is read. We read the Gospel reading from the center of the Nave in order to help us remember God's Word is with us in our Lord Jesus. Through His Word and Spirit He promises to be with us always.*

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Luke 17:1–10

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹[Jesus] said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ²It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, ‘I repent,’ you must forgive him.”

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

⁷“Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at table’? ⁸Will he not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink’? ⁹Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

****Even though the Hymn of the Day may be a new hymn to some of us, it's an amazing reality within our Lutheran Church Missouri*

Synod! It's amazing because each congregation scattered throughout the world, sings the same Hymn of the Day on the Lord's Day during the Divine Service. Isn't it incredible to think of all the Christians singing this hymn together, as our voices raise to heaven as one sound of praise & thanksgiving to our Lord! Oh how this must be pleasing to His ears!

Hymn of the Day
587 I Know My Faith Is Founded



1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus Christ, my
2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan seeks by
3 In faith, Lord, let me serve You; Though per - se - cu - tion,

God and Lord; And this my faith con - fess - ing, Un -
night and day To rob me of this trea - sure And
grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver - whelm me, Let

moved I stand on His sure Word. Our rea - son can - not
take my hope of bliss a - way. But, Lord, with You be -
me a stead - fast trust re - tain; And then at my de -

fath - om The truth of God pro - found; Who trusts in hu - man
side me, I shall be un - dis - mayed; And led by Your good
par - ture, Lord, take me home to You, Your rich - es to in -

wis - dom Re - lies on shift - ing ground. God's Word is
Spir - it, I shall be un - a - fraid. A - bide with
her - it As all You said holds true. In life and

all - suf - fi - cient, It makes di - vine - ly sure; And
me, O Sav - ior, A firm - er faith be - stow; Then
death, Lord, keep me Un - til Your heav'n I gain, Where

trust - ing in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.
I shall bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.
I by Your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Text: Erdmann Neumeister, 1671–1756; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.
Tune: Cententus novi, 1540, Augsburg
Text and tune: Public domain

***Please be seated*

****Early Lutheran Christians understood that when they were looking for an answer to a question or problem in their lives, the best place to get the answer to was to attend Church and listen to the sermon.*

Sermon

Pastor Jason K. Cody

***Please stand if you're able*

****We confess the creeds; Nicene, Apostle's and Athanasian creeds, not only to state what we believe together, but also to learn by repetition. So often it is challenging to know what to say when someone ask you about your faith. The creeds along with Scripture give us something to commit to memory so that we are ready to give an answer when someone asks us the reason for the hope that is in us.*

Apostles' Creed

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

From the altar

***Please be seated*

Installation of Teachers

Trinity Lutheran School

****In the early church the gifts were brought forward to the altar, and were often not coins or currency, but crops, wool, butter, cheese, etc. Among these gifts were also the unleavened bread and wine to use in the Holy Sacrament for that day! Church fellowship is about living life together! What a blessing it is to share a portion of the things God has blessed us with, with one another in Christ!*

Offering

873 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

+ God Comes to us in His Holy Sacrament +

****FROM THE PASTOR: Greetings, dear brothers and sisters in Christ! Jesus Himself won the right for you to take the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. However, Holy Scripture gives us very specific teachings about when it is proper for a person to commune, and when it is not. If you are not already a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod or have not spoken with me, please kindly refrain from communing with us today. If you are not communing this morning, you are welcome to remain comfortably in your pew and use the time for personal prayer. If you would like to come forward to the altar and not commune, please cross your arms across your chest, as a sign that you are not communing, and I will gladly pray with you at the altar. Thanks for being here! Remember Jesus won us the right to commune, but since it was His hard work, let's respect His teaching on when we should and when we should not commune.*

***Please stand if you're able*

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with

Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

***These sacred words of our Lord Jesus, “The Words of our Lord” or “The Words of Institution” (also known in Latin as the Verba), are meant to be heard and simply believed with all our heart! Many false teachings confuse the simplicity of our Lord’s Words here. God said “let there be light and there was light.” If the Lord says “this is my body or this cup is the new testament in My blood” then it’s true. We don’t have to understand how it’s possible to believe. We don’t understand how He created light in Genesis, yet we see because of it. The same performative reality of God’s spoken and creative Word exists here in the Holy Sacrament!*

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to

remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Pax Domini

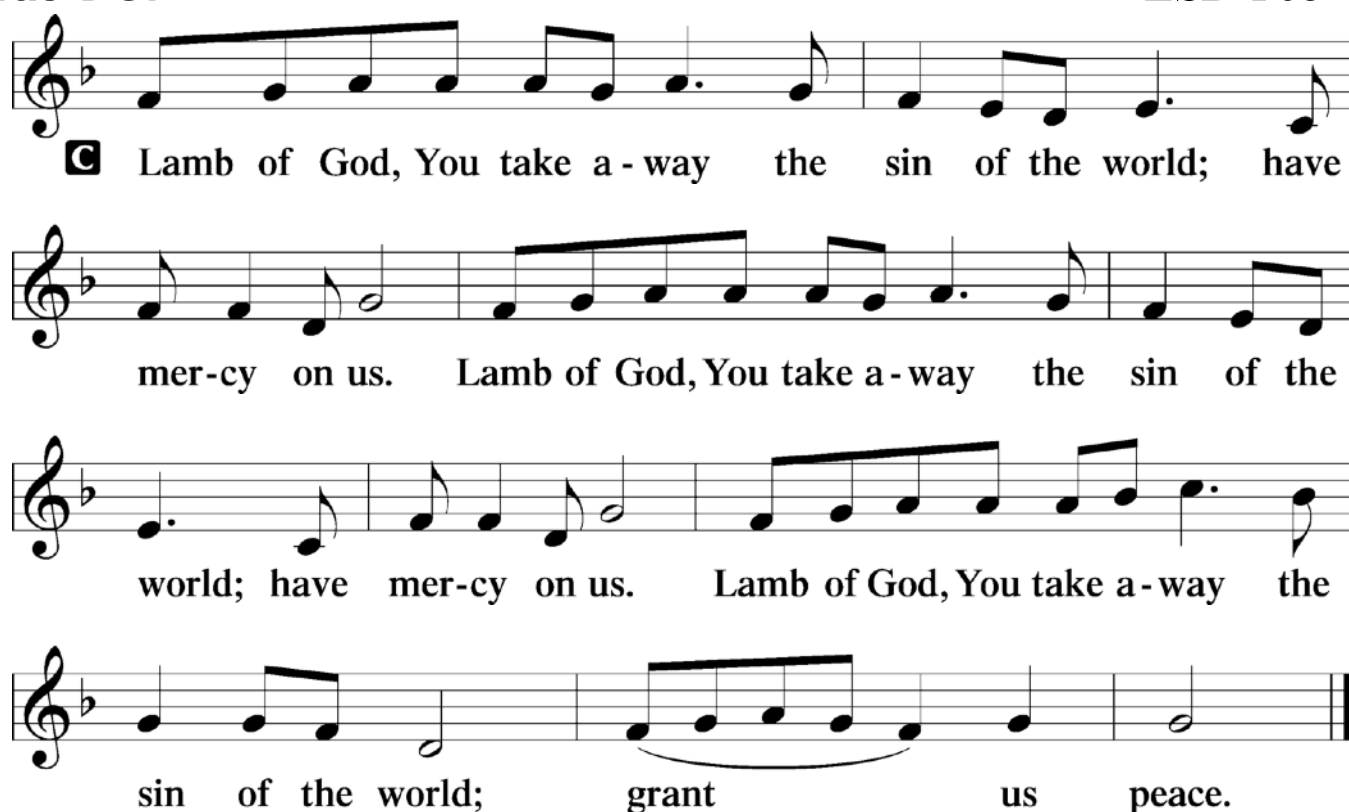
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 163



C 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.

***Please be seated*

****The distribution of the Holy Sacrament is the high point of the Divine Service!!! When we are blessed to receive the very life of God into our own bodies, forgiveness, eternal life, all the fruits of our Lord's cross and resurrection, in with and under the bread and wine. Something to notice is that the liturgical structure of the service matters greatly because it builds up to this sacred point in the service!*

Distribution Hymns

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

***Please stand if you're able*

Thank the Lord

LSB 164



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.

C Amen.

****Even if we miss the rest of the church service we should still come to hear the Benediction. Within the Benediction is the blessing of God! In Biblical Hebrew the emotions are described by expressions of the face. For example the emotion “angry” in Hebrew is literally “a hot nose.” Knowing this helps us understand the Benediction even more! When God’s called servant announces to the congregation that God “makes His face shine upon you” it is showing us how He feels towards us in Christ. We have His approval!! He is not angry, but is pleased with us! What a blessing!*

Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

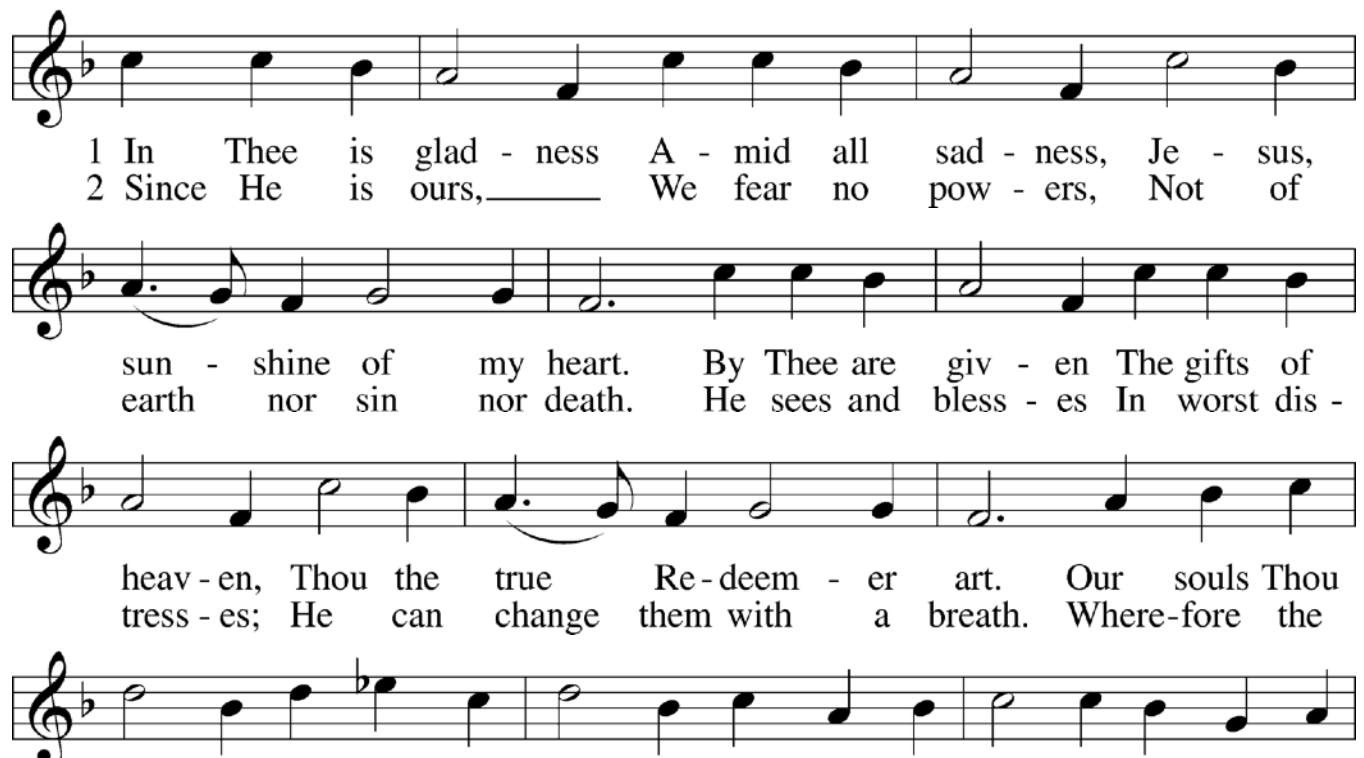
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart

818 In Thee Is Gladness

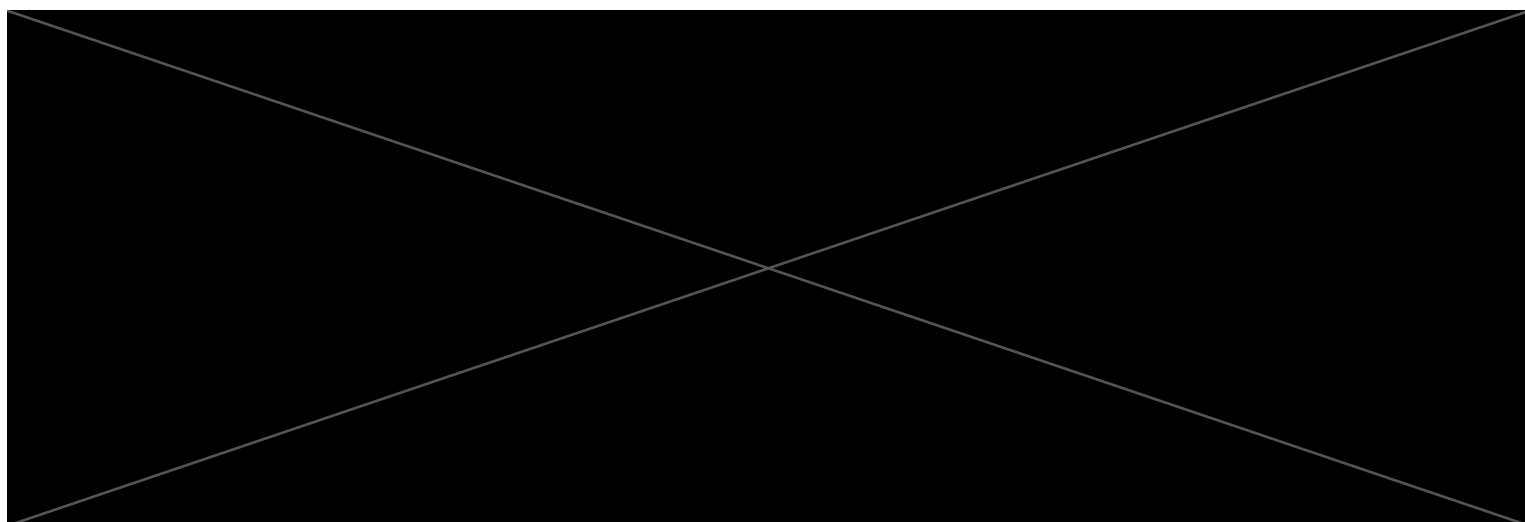


1 In Thee is glad - ness A - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
2 Since He is ours, _____ We fear no pow - ers, Not of
sun - shine of my heart. By Thee are giv - en The gifts of
earth nor sin nor death. He sees and bless - es In worst dis -
heav - en, Thou the true Re - deem - er art. Our souls Thou
tress - es; He can change them with a breath. Where-fore the
wak - est, Our bonds Thou break - est; Who trusts Thee sure - ly Has built se -
sto - ry Tell of His glo - ry With hearts and voic - es; All heav'n re -

cure - ly; He stands for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are
joic - es In Him for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for
pin - ing To see Thy shin - ing, Dy - ing or liv - ing
glad - ness, Tri - umph o'er sad - ness, Love Him and praise Him
To Thee are cleav - ing; Naught can us sev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!
And still shall raise Him Glad hymns for - ev - er: Al - le - lu - ia!

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Organist Allen Stolp



Serving in the military:

UNITED STATES NAVY - Chris Keller

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE - Thaddaeus Cody

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE - Kaylin Rice

Important Announcements:

Church Worker's Conference begins Tuesday in Breckenridge. Pray for Pastor as he serves the District.

Mark your calendars for Oct. 12th. LWML will be hosting a lunch after church. We will hear a Zoom presentation from the John Wolf family about their service in Kenya. There will be a freewill offering to support their ministry.

October 26 - Reformation Celebration Sunday

TLC Finances:

	<u>September 2025</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 25/26</u>
Giving	20,680.56	52,256.89
Expenses	18,253.09	51,476.76

Christian Marriage and Family Counseling Resources:

Focus On the Family Christian - (855) 771-4357
christiancounselorsnetwork.com

Grace Point Institute @ www.relationalhealth.org

Cross Life Ministries - www.aorhope.org/counseling

ReStory Counseling - www.restory.life 1 (855) RESTORY,
virtual Christian counseling for rural Colorado.

His Way Christian Counseling - www.hiswaycounselingslv.com
(719) 490-8811 or tenaj@hiswaycounselingslv.com
Virtual counseling for the San Luis Valley

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