



18th Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to Worship! Words in **bold** are said together.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Congregation: Amen.

*L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (silence for reflection)
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.**

*L: Hear the good news! 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.*

Sharing the Peace

*L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life
of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.*

Gathering Song – Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (lyrics on screen)

*Verse: Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.*

*Refrain: You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high. (Sing twice)*

***Prayer of the Day – Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness
fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body
and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

Scripture Readings

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c p. 293

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive

from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." ⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. ¹⁵Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111 p. 490

¹Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

³Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful.

⁵He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise endures forever.

2 Timothy 2:8-15 p. 967

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. ¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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The holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Luke 17:11-19 p. 852

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Message and Sermon

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Song of the Day – Mighty to Save

1. Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing; let mercy fall on me.
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior; the hope of nations.

Refrain: Savior, He can move the mountains,
my God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.

2. So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures, fill my life again.
I give my life to follow everything I believe in, now I surrender. *Refrain.*
3. Shine your light and let the whole world see,
we're singing for the glory of the risen King Jesus,
Shine your light and let the whole world see,
we're singing for the glory of the risen King. *Refrain (2x)*

Apostle's 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 God's People

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: **hear our prayer.**

Offering

- ◊ Mail: Lord of Life Lutheran, 1005 St. Nicholas Drive, North Pole, AK 99705
- ◊ Online: "giving" tab at www.lordoflifeak.com/giving or the QR Code →
- ◊ Phone app: download "Give Plus Church" search by zip 99705, choose Lord of Life, and follow the instructions. Giving is secure!



Offering Song – You are My All in All

1. You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek,
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool,
You are my all in all.

Refrain: Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

2. Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again, I bless Your name,
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up, when I am dry, You fill my cup,
You are my all in all. (*Refrain x2*)

Offering Prayer

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Christ's Words of Institution and Communion

L: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Announcements

- Today: 6pm Youth Group
- Tomorrow: 7pm Council Mtg
- Thursday 1:30pm School Lunches; just show up at fellowship hall willing to help!

Sending Song – Trading My Sorrows

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord, Amen

I'm trading my sorrow, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying it down for the joy of the Lord

I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain
I'm laying it down for the joy of the Lord

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes Lord, Amen (*Repeat*)

Though sorrow may last for the night
Joy comes with the morning

I'm trading my sorrow, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying it down for the joy of the Lord
I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain
I'm laying it down for the joy of the Lord (*Repeat*)

I'm trading my sorrow, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying it down for the joy of the Lord

Blessing and Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor. C: Thanks be to God.

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