



# 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

Children are always welcome - they worship God too! Cloth bags with quiet activities are by the stairs to keep them engaged during worship. Our nursery is at the bottom of the stairs, to the left.

## *The Lord's Prayer*

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,

**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.**

## *Confession and Forgiveness*

*Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.*

**Congregation: Amen.**

*L: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
(silence for reflection)*

*L: Merciful and loving God, C: we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.*

*L: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven! C: Amen.*

## *Gathering Hymn – When Peace Like a River #785*

1. When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
thou has taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain:* It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

2. Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.  
*Refrain.*

3. He lives – oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, oh my soul!  
*Refrain.*

4. Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul.  
*Refrain.*

*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 we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*Scripture Readings*

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 p. 762

<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. **2** 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.

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

Psalms 37:1-9 p. 443

<sup>1</sup> Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, <sup>2</sup> for they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.

**<sup>3</sup> Trust in the LORD and do good; live in the land and enjoy security.**

<sup>4</sup> Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

**<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.**

<sup>6</sup> He will make your vindication shine like the light and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

**<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.**

<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.

**<sup>9</sup> For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.**

2 Timothy 1:1-14 p. 966

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

*Gospel Acclamation (sung) p. 102, setting 1*

\*Please stand for the reading of the gospel.

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

Luke 17:5-10 p. 852

<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.**

*Children's Message*

*Sermon*

David Ingram

*Hymn of the Day– What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine #774*

1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain:* Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain.*

3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain.*

### *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.**

*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.*

### *Offering*

- ◇ Mail: Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 1005 St. Nicholas Drive, North Pole, AK 99705
- ◇ Online: "giving" tab at [www.lordoflifeak.com/giving](http://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 Hymn – We Give Thee but Thine Own #686*

1. We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, oh Lord, from thee.
2. May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.
3. The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,  
to teach the way of life and peace it is a Christ-like thing.
4. And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be;  
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

### *Offering Prayer*

**Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through**

**Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*The Great Thanksgiving p. 107*

*Holy, Holy, Holy p. 108*

*Christ's Words of Institution and Communion*

*Invitation to Communion*

*L: Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.*

*Post Communion Prayer*

*L: O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.*

**C: Amen.**

*Announcements*

- Autumn devotional books in the book rack near the church offices 😊
- Coming up: Oct. 13 Council Mtg; Oct. 26 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary; Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> annual mtg

*Sending Hymn – My Faith Looks Up to Thee #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!

*Blessing*

*L: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever. C: Amen.*

*Dismissal*

*L: Go in peace. Do not lose heart. C: Thanks be to God.*

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