



The 17th Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022 Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Gathering

A warm welcome to all joining us this morning – however you are joining us, we're glad you're here. The service is printed in this booklet, and the hymns are in the red hardbacked hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) in the pew racks in front of you. If you are joining us on social media, the hymns are printed in the booklet.

A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are strengthened and renewed in holy Baptism, Holy Communion, and the Word. We receive them with thanksgiving, going out to live faith in the world.

We have resumed taking communion at stations. If you wish to commune at your seat, please feel free to take an elements cup. When Pastor says, "This is the Body and Blood of Christ, given and shed for you" at the invitation to the Table, take communion at your seat following the invitation.

Changes and additions to the prayer list are published every Sunday in the announcements. Please share your prayer concern with Pastor, or Cindy Carper, if you would like it included on the prayer list. Please take this weekly resource home with you!



WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE: time for prayer and preparation.

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

Lord, have mercy;

Christ, have mercy,

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Silence for reflection

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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, + Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN ELW #818, “O Master Let Me Walk”

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.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. *Silence. Pastor offers the Prayer of the Day – we join our hearts in prayer.*

The prayer concludes:

...your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Word

THE FIRST LESSON is from Habakkuk, the 1st and 2nd chapters. (Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4)

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.**

+ *Silence* +

PSALM 37 is read responsively by verse.

¹Do not be provoked by evildoers;
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²**For 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.

⁴**Take 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.

⁶**The 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.

⁸**Refrain 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. **Amen.**

THE SECOND READING is from 2nd Timothy, the 1st chapter. (2 Timothy 1:1-14)

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 according 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. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW #174

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. Both staves are in the treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of a series of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below each staff, with hyphens indicating the syllables are spread across the notes.

THE HOLY GOSPEL according to Luke, the 17th chapter.

(Luke 17:5-10)

Glory to you O Lord!

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!’”

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



Children are dismissed to learning time.

TEACHING THE WORD / SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #733, GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Meal

THE CREED *We confess our faith.*

**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.**

THE PRAYERS

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*We join our hearts in prayer for one another, those in need, and all of God's creation.
The prayers conclude:*

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Please share the peace with a wave, a hand placed over your heart, or in any non-contact way of your preference.

OFFERTORY / ANTHEM *We offer our love, obedience and lives in thanksgiving as a response to God's gifts and mercies. If you are worshipping remotely, tithes and offerings may be gathered and given by mail, given online at christpipersville.org or using the QR code.*



THE OFFERTORY SONG: CREATE IN ME, ELW 186



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you O God, maker of all things:

Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:

our selves, our time and our possessions.

Use us and what we have gathered

In feeding the world with your love.

Through the One who gave himself for us,

Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, amen.

We join our hearts in prayer as the Table is prepared.

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 right and a joyful thing to give you thanks O God,
holy, almighty and merciful...

*Pastor offers the Eucharistic prayer; we join in our hearts. The prayer concludes:
...in the words our Savior taught us:*

**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.

AGNUS DEI



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf - fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

This is the Body and Blood of Christ, given and shed for you -
My brothers and sisters, come to the Table, for all is now ready!

We shall come with joy, alleluia, amen!

All who believe that Jesus Christ is Lord, and that He is truly present in the forms of bread and wine are invited to commune. You are welcome-this is the Lord's Table and He invites you! If you have taken an elements cup and prefer to commune where you are seated, please commune at any time after the invitation that you wish.

The musicians will be communed first. Then the congregation comes forward by the center aisle, the organ side first, and then the pulpit side. Receive the Host (bread) from Pastor, with the words, 'The body of Christ, given for you.' The assistant offers the chalice of wine for intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine) with the words: 'The blood of Christ, shed for you.' The communicant may say:

Amen. Please return to your pew by the side aisle. Anyone, child or adult, who does not wish to take communion is invited to come forward, hands folded, to receive a blessing, or remain seated and commune by prayer.

When all have communed, the post-communion canticle (below) is sung while the Table is cleared, followed by silence for prayer and reflection.

ELW #501, COME WITH US



Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er - more to be.



And, in leav - ing now thine al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee!



Let thy bright ce - les - tial cho - rus nev - er cease the heav'n - ly strain;



but in us, thy lov - ing chil - dren, come with peace, good will to reign.

Please stand at Pastor's invitation.

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

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray a *brief silence*

We give you thanks, almighty God,

that you have refreshed us

through the healing power of this gift of life.

In your mercy, 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.

Mission & Ministry Announcements

Sending

THE BENEDICTION

The Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN, ELW #632, O GOD OUR HELP

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S BULLETINS are sponsored by James and Cindy Carper in honor of Paul and Ruth Gruver's 64th Wedding Anniversary on October 4th.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS – The prayer list is printed in today's announcements, the newsletter and is posted on the bulletin board. Please contact the church office, 215-766-8730 or e-mail, with any prayer needs. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless a new request is made.

EMS SUPPORT – Today is the last day a basket will be available on the table by the sanctuary doors if you would like to make a donation to help support our local emergency services providers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL resumes this morning and children will be dismissed to learning time following the Gospel reading.

TEACHERS, HELPERS AND SUBSTITUTES ARE STILL NEEDED for one Sunday a month through May. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Sunday School bulletin board at the top of the stairs as you enter the building.

FELLOWSHIP PERIOD has resumed and hosts are needed. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY – October 16th. Join us for special refreshments following worship as we thank our musicians and choir members for their dedication and hard work throughout the year.

PIPERSVILLE LIBRARY BOOK SALE & CHURCH BAKE, SOUP & RUMMAGE SALE is scheduled for October 28 & 29 and November 4 & 5. You may place your book donations in the parish hall and rummage items in the room by the kitchen. See Kathy Brown with any questions or to volunteer to help during the sale.

BULLETIN/WEB SITE SPONSORS: You may sponsor the Sunday bulletin or the church website in honor or memory of a loved one and we'll list your gift in the bulletin as well as social media and our website. The requested donation is \$20/week for the bulletin and \$25/month for the website. There are sponsorship envelopes and a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board for your convenience.

THE LORD'S PANTRY has a continuing need for donations. During the month of October we are collecting canned fruit, but all types of canned/dry goods are welcome (tuna, peanut butter, condiments, etc.). Donations may be placed in the pantry cabinet by the parking lot doors or contact the church office to make drop off arrangements. You may also purchase Giant gift cards to be provided to The Lord's Pantry.

The Week of October 2nd at a Glance

- Sun. 10/02 The 17th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30AM In-Person and Live-Streamed Worship, Sunday School
3-5PM Girl Scouts
Happy Birthday, Susan Bechtold!
Happy Birthday, Danielle Kallenbach!
Happy Anniversary, Josh & Beth Kelly!
- Mon. 10/03 10:00AM Worship/Music Committee
7:30PM Property Committee
- Tues. 10/04 Happy 64th Anniversary, Paul and Ruth Gruver!
- Wed. 10/05 7:00PM Ensemble
- Thur. 10/06 8:30AM Morning Prayer, 9:00AM Bible Study
Happy Birthday, Kim Campbell!
Happy Anniversary, Cory and Karen Trauger!
- Fri. 10/07 Office Closed – Pastor’s Day Off
Happy Anniversary, Jeff and Sandra Cron!
- Sat. 10/08 *Rain Date* for Oct. 1st Property Work Day
- Sun. 10/09 The 18th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30AM In-Person and Live-Streamed Worship, Sunday School
Happy Birthday, Skyler Cole!

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

In October 2022, let us pray for...

Joseph Apgar (AF), Ed B. (H,R), Marsha B. (H), Tait Blethen (AF), Nancy Bohner (St,P), Pr. Caron & Family (Pr/C), Dave Conway (H,R,St), Florence Cook (NH), Cory Cox (AF), Bishop Patricia Davenport (Pr/C), Jackie Gardner and family (P,St,H), Pr. Ginny Goodwin (Pr/C), Jerry H. (H,R), Cody Harmon (AF), Mary Hurley (Pr/C,H,R), Nick K. (H,P,St), Katherine (H,St,P,Hope), Kevin (S,R,St), Tom Macri (AF), Jennifer Marko (H,R,St), Corrine Monesmith (HB), Glenn Monesmith (H,R), Anita/Aaron Nathans & Family (St), Ramona (H,R), Vincent Salvatoriello (H,R), Thomas Schumacher (AF), Thomas Shiiba (AF), Rich Weidner (AF), and Zachary (St,Hope,Happiness).

Thanksgiving for the birth of: Isabelle Grace to Bobby & Emma (Cook) Ecret
and Zelie Christine to Thomas & Stacey (Hanisak) Shiiba.

Those who mourn: The family and friends of James Holland, Trish Conway, Jerry Longwell, and Wanda Stover.

<p>AF: Armed Forces, H: Healing, P: Peace/Patience, R: Recovery, St: Strength, M: Mourning, W: Wisdom, T: Thanksgiving, NH: Nursing Home, HB: Home Bound, Pr/C: Pastors/Church Professionals</p>
