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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION SUNDAY

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Prayer before Worship:

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

PRELUDE

RINGING BELL CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN *LSB 902 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: AND YOU FORGAVE THE INIQUITY OF MY SIN.

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

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, A POOR, MISERABLE SINNER, CONFESS UNTO YOU ALL MY SINS AND INIQUITIES WITH WHICH I HAVE EVER OFFENDED YOU AND JUSTLY DESERVED YOUR TEMPORAL AND ETERNAL PUNISHMENT. BUT I AM HEARTILY SORRY FOR THEM AND SINCERELY REPENT OF THEM, AND I PRAY YOU OF YOUR BOUNDLESS MERCY AND FOR THE SAKE OF THE HOLY, INNOCENT, BITTER SUFFERINGS AND DEATH OF YOUR BELOVED SON, JESUS CHRIST, TO BE GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL TO ME, A POOR, SINFUL BEING.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

INTROIT

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



**I HOPE FOR YOUR SALVATION, | O LORD,*
AND I DO YOUR COM- | MANDMENTS.
I REJOICE | AT YOUR WORD*
LIKE ONE WHO | FINDS GREAT SPOIL.
SEVEN TIMES A DAY I | PRAISE YOU*
FOR YOUR JUST AND RIGH- | TEOUS DECREES.
GREAT PEACE HAVE THOSE WHO | LOVE YOUR LAW;*
NOTHING CAN MAKE THEM | STUMBLE.
MY SOUL KEEPS YOUR TESTI- | MONIES;*
I LOVE THEM EX- | CEEDINGLY.
GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND | TO THE SON*
AND TO THE HOLY | SPIRIT;
AS IT WAS IN THE BE- | GINNING,*
IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER. | AMEN.
I HOPE FOR YOUR SALVATION, | O LORD,*
AND I DO YOUR COM- | MANDMENTS.**

KYRIE

Lord Have Mercy

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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward

men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
 on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: AND WITH THY SPIRIT.

P: Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

C: 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. AMEN.

Please be seated

THE GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

FIRST 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.

^{2:1} I 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.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALM Psalm 62



For God alone my soul waits in | silence;*
from Him comes my sal- | vation.

HE ONLY IS MY ROCK AND MY SALVATION, MY | FORTRESS;*

I SHALL NOT BE GREATLY | SHAKEN.

How long will all of you attack a man to | batter him,*
like a leaning wall, a | tottering fence?

THEY ONLY PLAN TO THRUST HIM DOWN FROM HIS HIGH POSITION.

THEY TAKE PLEASURE IN | FALSEHOOD.*

THEY BLESS WITH THEIR MOUTHS, BUT INWARDLY | THEY CURSE.

For God alone, O my soul, wait in | silence,*
for my hope is | from Him.

HE ONLY IS MY ROCK AND MY SALVATION, MY | FORTRESS;*

I SHALL NOT BE | SHAKEN.

On God rests my salvation and my | glory;*
my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.

TRUST IN HIM AT ALL TIMES, O PEOPLE;

POUR OUT YOUR HEART BE- | FORE HIM;*

GOD IS A REFUGE | FOR US.

Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a de- | lusion;*
in the balances they go up; they are together lighter | than a breath.

PUT NO TRUST IN EXTORTION; SET NO VAIN HOPES ON | ROBBERY;*

IF RICHES INCREASE, SET NOT YOUR | HEART ON THEM.

Once God has spoken; twice have I | heard this:.*
that power belongs to God, and that to You, O Lord, belongs | steadfast love.

FOR YOU WILL RENDER | TO A MAN*

ACCORDING | TO HIS WORK.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND | TO THE SON*

AND TO THE HOLY | SPIRIT;

AS IT WAS IN THE BE- | GINNING,*

IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER. | AMEN.

SECOND READING

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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

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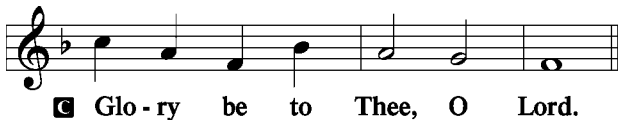
ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:1-10

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



¹And He said to His disciples, “**Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come!**” ²**It 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.** ³**Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him,** ⁴**and 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 our Lord.



NICENE CREED

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C: I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH AND OF ALL THINGS VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE.

AND IN ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD, BEGOTTEN OF HIS FATHER BEFORE ALL WORLDS, GOD OF GOD, LIGHT OF LIGHT, VERY GOD OF VERY GOD, BEGOTTEN, NOT MADE, BEING OF ONE SUBSTANCE WITH THE FATHER, BY WHOM ALL THINGS WERE MADE; WHO FOR US MEN AND FOR OUR SALVATION CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN AND WAS INCARNATE BY THE HOLY SPIRIT OF THE VIRGIN MARY AND WAS MADE MAN; AND WAS CRUCIFIED ALSO FOR US UNDER PONTIUS PILATE. HE SUFFERED AND WAS BURIED. AND THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURES AND ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN AND SITS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER. AND HE WILL COME AGAIN WITH GLORY TO JUDGE BOTH THE LIVING AND THE DEAD, WHOSE KINGDOM WILL HAVE NO END.

AND I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE LORD AND GIVER OF LIFE, WHO PROCEEDS FROM THE FATHER AND THE SON, WHO WITH THE FATHER AND THE SON TOGETHER IS WORSHIPED AND GLORIFIED, WHO SPOKE BY THE PROPHETS. AND I BELIEVE IN ONE HOLY CHRISTIAN AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH, I ACKNOWLEDGE ONE BAPTISM FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS, AND I LOOK FOR THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD AND THE LIFE ✠ OF THE WORLD TO COME. AMEN.

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY *LSB 857 Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way*

SERMON

Please stand.

OFFERTORY*Create in Me**Pages 192-193*

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 Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE SERVICE OF WOMEN

P: In Christ we who are many form one body and each member belongs to all the others.

C: WE HAVE DIFFERENT GIFTS, ACCORDING TO THE GRACE GIVEN US.

P: All of you who have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

C: THERE IS NEITHER JEW NOR GREEK, SLAVE NOR FREE, MALE NOR FEMALE, FOR YOU ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST.

P: Hear the Word of our Lord concerning those who serve:

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. (Colossians 3:15-17).

P: The Lord be with you.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

P: Let us pray...

C: FATHER, ON THIS DAY, WE NOT ONLY THANK YOU FOR THE WORK OF THE LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE, BUT ALSO FOR THE WORK OF THE WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY. THEY HAVE HELPED TO SUPPORT THOSE PREPARING FOR MINISTRY AS TEACHERS OR PASTORS. THEY HAVE MINISTERED TO FAMILIES IN GRIEF WITH FUNERAL LUNCHEONS AND MEALS. THEY HAVE SUPPORTED ONE ANOTHER IN FELLOWSHIP AROUND THE WORD, AND HAVE MINISTERED TO THE CHILDREN OF THIS CONGREGATION. THEY HAVE COLLECTED FOOD FOR THOSE IN NEED, VISITED SHUT-INS WITH REMINDERS OF GOD'S CARE, SERVED MEALS TO THE CONGREGATION, AND SO MUCH MORE. WE THANK YOU FOR SHOWING US AN ASPECT OF CHRIST'S LOVE IN THEIR DEVOTION, AND PRAY THAT YOU WOULD CONTINUE TO BLESS THEIR WORK FOR THE BUILDING UP OF THIS CONGREGATION AND THE EXTENSION OF YOUR KINGDOM, THROUGH CHRIST JESUS, WHO WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ARE ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER. AMEN.

W: IN FERVENT GRATITUDE FOR THE SAVIOR'S DYING LOVE AND HIS BLOOD-BUGHT GIFT OF REDEMPTION WE DEDICATE OURSELVES TO HIM WITH ALL THAT WE ARE AND HAVE; AND IN OBEDIENCE TO HIS CALL FOR WORKERS IN THE HARVEST FIELDS, WE PLEDGE HIM OUR WILLING SERVICE WHEREVER AND WHENEVER HE HAS NEED OF US. WE CONSECRATE TO OUR SAVIOR OUR HANDS TO WORK FOR HIM, OUR FEET TO GO ON HIS ERRANDS, OUR VOICE TO SING HIS PRAISES, OUR LIPS TO PROCLAIM HIS REDEEMING LOVE, OUR SILVER AND OUR GOLD TO EXTEND HIS KINGDOM, OUR WILL TO DO HIS WILL, AND EVERY POWER OF OUR LIFE TO THE GREAT TASK OF BRINGING THE LOST AND THE ERRING INTO ETERNAL FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM. AMEN.

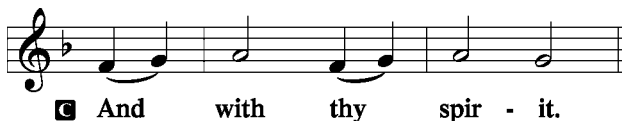
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

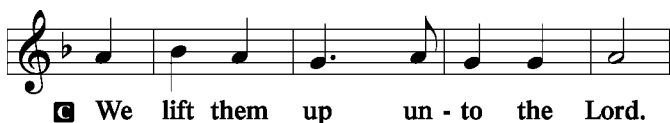
HYMN *LSB 550 Lamb of God*

PREFACE*Page 194*

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.



P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

**PROPER PREFACE**

P: It is truly meet, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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*Holy, Holy, Holy**Page 195*



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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."

PAX DOMINI

The Peace of the Lord

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P: *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*



A - men.

Please be seated

AGNUS DEI*Lamb of God*

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Prayer before Communing: Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thanksgiving after Receiving the Sacrament: Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

LSB 855 *For All the Faithful Women* vv. 1,3,4

LSB 637 *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord*

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the true Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His most precious Blood, strengthen you in true faith, granting you the forgiveness of sins, unto life everlasting. Depart in peace.

C: AMEN.

NUNC DIMITTIS

*Lord, Now Lettest Thou Thy Servant
(Song of Simeon)*

Pages 199-200

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

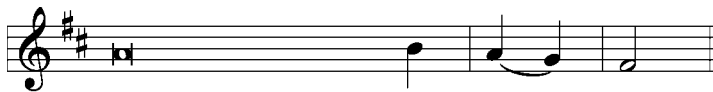
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING*Pages 200-01*

P: O Give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P: 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 A - men.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS*Pages 201-02*

P: The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P: Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION*Page 202*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN *LSB 825 Rise, Shine, You People***SILENT PRAYER**

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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