

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE 8:00 and 9:20 am Lutheran High School South Wind Symphony

Meditation on an Irish Hymn Tune

Benjamin Culli

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

God of Grace and God of Glory

LSB 850

1. **God of grace and God of glory, On Your people pour Your pow'r;
Crown Your ancient Church's story; Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the facing of this hour, (Repeat)**
2. **Lo, the hosts of evil round us Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!
From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the living of these days, (Repeat)**
3. **Cure Your children's warring madness; Bend our pride to Your control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal, (Repeat)**
4. **Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Your salvation Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving You whom we adore, (Repeat)**

INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Blessed are the poor in spirit, who hunger and thirst after righteousness, who mourn their sinful condition.

C: **For they shall possess the Kingdom of God, be satisfied with the mercy of God, and enjoy the grace of His forgiveness.**

L: Almighty God, our Creator and Redeemer,

C: **We come to You, confessing that we are by nature separated from You and that we have often sinned against You by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We turn to You for mercy and ask Your forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Empower us by the aid of Your Holy Spirit to serve You and do Your will on earth. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE**

C: **✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **✠ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from Genesis 50:15-21, page 44: (5:00, 8:00, 10:30)

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **✠ Thanks be to God.**

10:30 Chancel Choir
Jacqui Gathman, flute

We Sing The Mighty Power of God

arr: Hal H. Hopson

BIBLE PRESENTATION TO 2nd GRADERS

THE EPISTLE is from Romans 14:5-12, pages 948-949:

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: **✠ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter, verses 21-35, pages 823-824:

C: **✠ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²¹Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **✠ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE CREEDAL HYMN**

(Melody: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*)

**In God we believe: the Creator whose pow'r
In mercy has brought us for worship this hour.
He graciously grants us our years and our days.
And blesses with kindness our word and our ways.**

**In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secured.
True God and true man once the cross He endured
To grant our lives wholeness, forgiveness of sin.
With hearts freed from guilt, we know true peace within.**

**The Spirit at work in our lives through God's Word;
The sacraments sealing the grace we have heard,
Rejoicing and sharing God's mission, we then
Will live in His glory forever. Amen.**

THE SERMON

“For Our Good”

(Genesis 50:19-21)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

VOLUNTARY 8:00 and 9:20 am Lutheran High School South Wind Symphony
On a Hymnsong of Philip Bliss

David Holsinger

***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION (10:30)

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: ♪ Amen.

***THE AGNUS DEI** LSB page 198

♪ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

LSB 606 (Tune LSB 644)

- 1. I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains.
Clean in His blood most precious Till not a spot remains.**
- 2. I lay my wants on Jesus; All fullness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases; My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.**

OTHER DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 801, 609, 664

NUNC DIMITTIS - Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32 LSB page 199

♫ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: **♫ And His mercy endureth forever.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **♫ Amen.**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **♫ And with Thy spirit.**

L: Bless we the Lord.

C: **♫ Thanks be to God.**

*THE BENEDICTION

C: **♫ Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*THE CLOSING HYMN

Holy Father, in Your Mercy

TLH 643

1. **Holy Father, in Your mercy Hear our anxious prayer;
Keep our loved ones who are absent 'Neath Your care.**

2. **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God the One in Three,
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them, Near to Thee.**

*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE - 8:00 and 9:20 am Lutheran High School South Wind Symphony

Fanfare and Hymn: A Mighty Fortress

Jay Bocook

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Liturgist: 5:00, 8:00, & 10:30 - Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20 - Sem. Steinke

Organist: 5:00 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler
8:00 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman, DMM

Choir Dir: Burnell Hackman, DMM

KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Bob Uthoff/Jeanette Mattingly

NEWS AND NOTES:

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table. Please register by marking the attendance card in the pew rack.

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Gymnasium): Alaska Mission Presentation

Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room)

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade: Rick Goodman & Mike Renner

7th Grade: Greg Wirtel & Louise Oster

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

THE ALASKA MISSION TEAM gives a presentation during the Sunday School hour in the Gym. All are invited to hear how God continues to act among the indigenous people at Hooper Bay!

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Burnell, Kathy, and Biff in memory of what would have been Alvin and Eloise Hackman's 70th wedding anniversary; also from John and Jeanne Hooss in celebration of their 23rd wedding anniversary on 9/9.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION (10:30) by Confirmation: Judith Ann Schneidermeyer Coleman, Robert Theodore Rawlings, Lindsey Michele Knoll Rawlings, and Anastasia Marie Wright; by Profession of Faith: John Edward James Hardin and Elizabeth Marie Dilges Hardin; by Transfer: Robert Eugene Stine, Jr. and Donna Kaye Stine.

GRADE 2 PUPILS (enrolled in Sunday School) to receive Bibles at the 10:30 service: Joseph Burgess, Avery Caron, Bryce Chitwood, Ava Gamayo, Giovanni Indelicato, Erick Jacobsmeyer, Paige Keiser, Avery Long, Rachel McElroy, Brock Orf, Sofia Palma, Giuliana Schutte, Lucie Wildman, and Lillian Zanzie.

WE WELCOME THE LUTHERAN SOUTH WIND SYMPHONY under the direction of Matthew Janssen to the 8:00 and 9:20 am services. Peace members in this outstanding ensemble are Josh Hammon, Emma Hopfer, Joe Roesch. A free-will door offering will be collected for the Wind Symphony.

LWML RETREAT All women are invited to attend the "A Day with Katie Luther" Retreat Sat., Sept. 23, Laclede Groves Auditorium, 7235 Laclede Station Road, 63119. Continental breakfast at 8:30a.m. Program at 9:00a.m. with lunch included. More info is on the Commons bulletin board.

YOUTH NEWS: High School Small Groups will meet this month on September 17, and 24 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Jr. Youth Join us Friday, September 29 from 7-10:00 p.m. at the Bud Dome for a night of games and fun. Sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Commons' bulletin board. Cost is \$10. Bring your friends!

COUPLES CLUB PROGRESSIVE DINNER has been changed to Saturday, September 30. Watch for more information.

LADIES GUILD KICK-OFF LUNCHEON at Gianino's, Telegraph and Yaeger, on September 21 at 11:30 a.m. Contact Geri Werner to make your reservation.

GREEN PARK FALL FESTIVAL Saturday, September 30, **3:00-6:00pm**. (Note: Time is corrected from a prior bulletin.) Come join us at the school for fun and fellowship. We are in need of vendors for the festival. If you are interested in being a vendor, or know someone, please contact Rachel Wildman at rachelsturley@hotmail.com.

LEARN THROUGH PLAY PRESCHOOL FIELD TRIP Free morning of learning and fun for preschool age children at Green Park Lutheran School, Friday, September 29, 9:00-11:15a.m. Event is designed for children 3, 4, and 5 years old accompanied by an adult (younger siblings welcome). Featuring a presentation by the Magic House, Folktales, and a Petting Zoo. Includes a snack and giveaway. Tell a friend! RSVP: katy.schmitt@greenparklutherschool.org.

LHSS 60TH ANNIVERSARY service Sunday, September 24, 3:00p.m. on campus. Public invited. The school opened in 1958.

HURRICANE HARVEY DONATIONS Checks made payable to Peace Lutheran can be earmarked for "Hurricane Harvey" or "Hurricane Irma". Your donation will be matched dollar-for-dollar by Thrivent for Harvey.

LIFE CHAIN Sunday, October 1, from 1:45-3:00p.m. Please consider participating. We will meet at Reinhold Flooring, 5429 Telegraph Road. For info, contact Sandi Akers.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2017:

Today: 6:30 High School Small Groups
Mon: 6:30 Cub Scout Pack Meeting
 6:30 Security Meeting
 7:00 Boy Scout Troop 584
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
 6:00 Property Management
Wed: 9:00 TPL Assembly
 11:00 South County Senior Citizens
 4:00 5/6/7/8 gr. Confirmation Class
 7:00 Wednesday Bible Study
 7:00 Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Thu: 6:00 Men's Bible Study
 9:00 Mary/Martha Bible Study
 12:00 Ladies Guild
 6:30 ESL Classes
 7:00 Chancel Choir
Sat: 5:00 Worship Service
Sun:8/9:20/10:30 Worship Services