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Sunday, October 27, 2017 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

#### **Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.

- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

## SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

(Hymnal page 26)

**HYMN: #405** "Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink" **STAND** 

- **M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

#### Kyrie

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

### O LORD, OUR LORD



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M**: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED



THE WORD

#### FIRST LESSON: Habakkuk 1:1-3; 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

<sup>2</sup> O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear?
Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?
<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong?
Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. Chapter 2:1-4

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.

<sup>2</sup> And the LORD answered me:

"Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it.

<sup>3</sup> For 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.

<sup>4</sup> "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 27**

The choir and congregation will sing "The Lord is My Light and My Salvation" as shown on the next page.

#### **Choir:**

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear? The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

When enemies o'ertake me, and evil surrounds me, my faith shall endure, my faith shall endure! (Antiphon)



#### **Choir:**

To dwell in the house of the Lord all my life, to see the beauty, to learn and grow. To see the beauty, to learn and grow. (Antiphon)

Know me and teach me and lead me thro' this life. Know me and teach me and lead me thro' this journey of life. (Antiphon)

I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait and remain strong. I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait for you, I wait and remain strong. (Antiphon)

#### **Choir:**

Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

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#### SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup> I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.<sup>4</sup> As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I 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. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

<sup>8</sup> Therefore 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, <sup>9</sup> who 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, <sup>10</sup> and 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, <sup>11</sup> for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher,<sup>12</sup> which 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. <sup>13</sup> Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

**VERSE OF THE DAY:** (choir) Alleluia! Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL: Luke 17:1-10

**17** And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, <sup>4</sup> and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup> And 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.

<sup>7</sup> "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'? <sup>8</sup> Will 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'? <sup>9</sup> Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"



#### GOSPEL RESPONSE: "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; No gracious words we hear From him who spoke as none e'er spoke, But we believe him near.

2 We may not touch his hands and side Nor follow where he trod, But in his promise we rejoice And cry, "My Lord and God!"

3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief, And may our faith abound To call on you when you are near And seek where you are found.

4 For you, O resurrected Lord, Are found in means divine: Beneath the water and the Word, Beneath the bread and wine.

5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light, We may behold you as you are With full and endless sight.

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## **HYMN OF THE DAY: #181** "Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit"

SERMON

STAND

#### NICENE CREED (Hymnal page 31)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life (+) of the world to come. Amen.

#### OFFERING

#### STAND

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Page 127)

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

#### C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

**M**: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

# C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

# C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

**M**: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

#### C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

#### C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

#### C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

- **M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*
- **M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

## C: Amen.

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#### LORD'S PRAYER

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.



#### THE SACRAMENT

**M:** The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



**M**: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**M:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



#### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

#### Agnus Dei



#### DISTRIBUTION

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN: #311** "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

#### THANKSGIVING

(Hymnal page 36)



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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#### **OFFICIANTS:**

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#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

- 4:00 PM Area Reformation Service at Huron Valley Lutheran

High School, 33740 Conan Rd. Westland

Monday - 7:00 PM Elders Meeting

Wednesday - 8:30 AM Bible Class

Thursday -7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal

- Sunday 9:30 AM Divine Service
  - 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Margaret Seppanen Ushering – Team 2

**Thank you** to all who helped with Trunk or Treat last Sunday. Many young people from the preschool and other neighborhood families enjoyed the decorated vehicles and the candy.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY –** Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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