

First Lutheran Church
300 West Third Street
Prophetstown, IL



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 2, 2022

Order of Worship
Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Setting Six

Introduction to the Day: A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*** Congregation rises in body and/or spirit**

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***Thanksgiving for Baptism**

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

L: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

C: Amen.

***Gathering Song:**

"God Is Here!"

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***Greeting**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Please be seated.

Kyrie pg. 165 – 166

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.**

Canticle of Praise: “As the Grains of Wheat” # 465

Prayer of the Day Paul McCracken

A: Let us pray. Merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, so that we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Habakkuk 2:1-4

¹I will stand at my watch post, 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. Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 37:1-6 *Read responsively.*

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.**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:3-7

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.

Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation** pg. 171 *Please rise.*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

***Gospel: Luke 17:5-10**

L: The holy gospel according to St. Luke the seventeenth chapter.

C: 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 the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon:

Rick Woolums

***Hymn of the Day: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” # 759**

***The Apostles’ Creed**

L: Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.

C: 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.

***Sharing of the Peace**

L: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Share the peace with your neighbors.

Please be seated.

Please pass the Welcome Pad to those sharing the pew.

Our offering is a significant act of worship; we worship God through our giving.

The ministry of this congregation is completely dependent upon your partnership and generosity.

Ushers will pass offering plates to you in each pew and then bring forward to the altar.

Please rise.

***Offertory: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful" # 182**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

***Offering Prayer**

L: Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, 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.

C: Amen.

***Lord's Prayer**

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

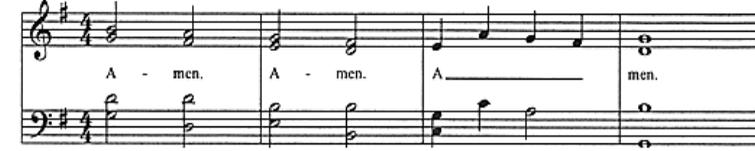
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***Blessing**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.



***Sending Hymn: "We Walk by Faith" vs. 1 - 4**

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***Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning, especially our guests.
We invite everyone to sign the Welcome Pad during the offering.

This Week at First Lutheran

Today: 9:00 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class with Mentors
Saturday: 11:00 a.m. Installation of Bishop Stacie Fidler at
Trinity Lutheran Church, Rockford, IL
Next Sunday: 10:15 a.m. Community Worship at Eclipse Square, Blessing of the Badges
Hosted by Methodist Church

Pastor will be out of the office through Monday, October 3rd. The office will also be closed on Monday. There will be no children's sermon today, so be sure to look for the candy basket in the back of the sanctuary as you leave.

Community Worship in Eclipse Square: On Sunday, October 9th there will be another community worship service at Eclipse Square hosted by the Methodist Church at 10:15 a.m. This day there will be a blessing for the badges and the men and women who wear them. In case of bad weather this service will be held at the Methodist Church.

Trunk or Treat will be held on Fri. Oct. 28th from 5-7 pm with games and treats. Including Thicksten's popcorn, fruit snacks, hot dogs, chips and bottled water. We also need candy donations "witch" the participants will hand out, please place in the baskets in the narthex. Volunteers are needed to help run the event. Sign-up sheets for trunk spots and volunteers are available in the narthex. We will be collecting paper products for the Prophetstown Food Pantry: Paper Towels, Napkins, Toilet Paper, etc. If you have any questions, please contact Christa at 309-945-5617 or the church office. Please attend to have a fun evening!

Prayer Concerns: Charlene McCracken, Sandy Plautz, Stan Urban, Luanne McDivitt, Burdette Sandrock, Dick Minssen, Ron Roselieb father of Rhonda Bohms, Emilie Ricknell mother of Lynda VanDyke, Lee Ann Trexler sister of Kerry Meyer, Caleb Cleaver great nephew of Lynda VanDyke, Rick Chapman husband of Mindy Chapman.

Serving in the military: Charlie Davis grandson of Ken & Ellen Pannier, Brett Emery and Sean Pratt sons of Drew & Becky Emery, Donnie Appleman son-in-law of Larry & Lynda VanDyke, Patrick Kelly grandson of Kathy Kelly, Anna Olsen wife of Kent Olsen, Madison Scace great granddaughter of Burdette & Dea Sandrock, Kyle Ullmark grandson-in-law of Glenda Sampson.

Assisting In Our Worship

Organist Jeanne Frank
Cantor Paul McCracken
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Acolyte Miley Wetzell

Stewardship Record

Sunday Attendance: 62
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