

A Brief Form of the Service

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Lutheran Service Book – Divine Service Setting 3

Zion Lutheran Church, Petoskey, MI

September 19, 2021

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

PRESERVICE MUSIC & THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN “God of Grace and God of Glory” LSB #850

INVOCATION *(Please rise)*

Leader: We begin in God’s Name:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader: 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,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

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

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Leader: Let us confess our sins to the Lord:
O almighty God, merciful Father,

ALL: 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.

Leader: 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.

ALL: Amen.

PSALM *Psalm 54*

P: I love the LORD, because he has heard
C: my voice and my pleas for mercy.
P: Because he inclined his ear to me,
C: therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
P: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
C: I suffered distress and anguish.
P: Then I called on the name of the LORD:
C: “O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”
P: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
C: our God is merciful.
P: The LORD preserves the simple;
C: when I was brought low, he saved me.
P: Return, O my soul, to your rest;
C: for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.
P: For you have delivered my soul from death,
C: my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;
P: I will walk before the LORD
C: in the land of the living.

RESPONSIVE KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.
Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.
Pastor: 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.
People: Lord, have mercy.
Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
People: Lord, have mercy.
Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
People: Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Let us pray...

COLLECT PRAYER

(Please be seated)

THE EPISTLE *James 3: 13-4:10*

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people!^[C] Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Mark 9: 30-37*

³⁰They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise." ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. ³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to You, O Christ.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY “Love in Christ is Strong and Living” LSB #706

THE SERMON

THE CREED

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

ALL: 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.

THE OFFERING

We will continue to receive your Offerings in the wooden box at the entrance. However, the Offerings will be brought forward by an Elder and as they are brought forward the congregation arises and sings:

“We Give Thee But Thine Own” LSB #781

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

PRAYERS

[After each petition, we will respond:]

Leader: Lord, in your mercy...

People: Hear our prayer.

[At the conclusion of our prayers, we join together...]

ALL: 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: We now turn our attention to these elements of God's grace, as we hear Christ's words, instituting His Holy Supper:

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 covenant 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."

And may the peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Members of Zion and members of other LCMS congregations are encouraged to join us at the communion rail to receive the Lord's Supper. For those who are new among us, or members of a different faith background, please speak with pastor before partaking. We love to have conversations about the Lord's blessings, so please feel free to ask if you have questions about our beliefs and practices surrounding this Sacrament. Thank you!) [The Communion Meal is distributed.]

(Note: Beginning this week, we will return the option of kneeling at the Communion rail and Pastor will individually dismiss each table with a blessing.)

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Jesus, Greatest at the Table" LSB #446

"What is This Bread?" LSB #629

Pastor: Having received this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, may it strengthen and preserve you, steadfast in the one, true faith, until life everlasting.

ALL: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT PRAYER

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen

BENEDICTION

L: And now, receive the blessing of our God:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with His favor, and grant to you His peace.

ALL: Amen

THE CLOSING HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father” LSB #725

POSTSERVICE MUSIC

Prayer List—September 19, 2021

Prayers of Thanksgiving

- Birthday Blessings for Jerry Kimble, celebrating his 97th birthday

Health and Healing

- ***Bernie Bur, recovering from surgery***
- ***Dave, cancer***
- Mark & Jan's grandson, Jayden, newborn recovering from pneumonia
- Margene, medical issues
- John Kerssies, hospitalized & on ventilator
- Jim Shirilla, recovery from surgery
- Ashley, recovering from surgery
- Karen Baird
- John Juday, Sr.
- Tom Helmer
- Allison Pallagi
- Barb's Uncle Dan, sepsis infection
- Barb's son, Jim, infection in leg
- Ashley, undergoing double mastectomy on 8/25
- Ken Pacholka, Brian's uncle, battling Cancer
- Becky, battling cancer
- Mary, cancer
- Judy & Nate, cancer
- Steve Burks, health concern
- Nate, cancer
- Claire Russ
- Robert Cleland, serious health diagnosis
- Kyle, health issue
- Cheryl Bucksteigl, cancer
- Dave, heart issues

- Vi Sattlemeier,
- Elizabeth Hargraves, vision loss
- Gennie Bur
- Carol, health issues
- David Faulkner
- Cindy Orth
- Al & Hulda Onyika
- Earl & Shirley Ristow
- Laura, treatment for a liver cancer diagnosis
- Marion & Jerry Kimble
- Deloris Timpf

Intercession

- Safety and health of our children as they return to schools
- People and nation of Afghanistan, especially Christians, during a time of unrest
- Mending of family relationships
- A house for the Fergusons and peace in their home
- Family in Ukraine

Comfort and Peace

- ***Sylvia Fischer & family, mourning Ed's passing***
- George & Phyllis Kaven and family, mourning the loss of George's brother, Ernest Kaven
- Sherry's family, mourning her passing
- Family of Matt Duran, mourning his passing