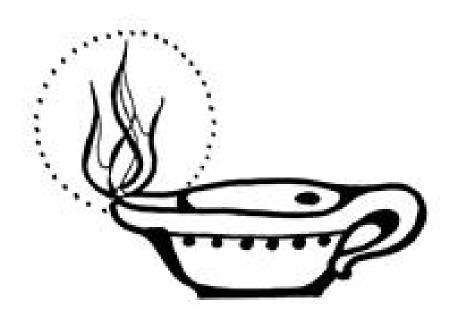
You're Welcome...



Pentecost 17, Lect. 27: October 2, 2022



The Liturgy of Holy Communion 9:00 AM የተተ GATHERING

Announcements

Prelude: Handbell Choir: A Festive Rondo, Michael Helman

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C. Amen

P. Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

(please kneel or sit) (Silence is kept for reflection.)

- P. God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C. we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen
- P. Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

(please stand)

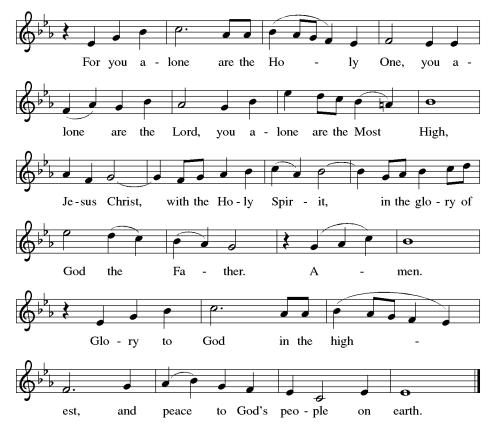
The Entrance Hymn: #526 GOD IS HERE!

Apostolic Greeting

- P. 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.

Hymn of Praise: Glory to God





The Prayer of the Day:

- P. Benevolent, merciful God:
- C. When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

(please be seated)

Mission Moment

WORD

The First Lesson: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention

arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous-therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

- ^{2:1}I will stand at my watchpost, 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.
 - L. The Word of the Lord.
 - C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-9 (sung responsively with cantor)

Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

²For 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.

⁴Take 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.

⁶The LORD will make your vindication as clear | as the light and the justice of your case like the | noonday sun.

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait | patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in | evil schemes.

⁸Refrain from anger, leave | rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads on- | ly to evil.

⁹For evildoers shall | be cut off.

but those who hope in the LORD shall pos- | sess the land.

The Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of 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 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. ⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,

who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

- L. The Word of the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

The Gospel Acclamation



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 17:5-10

- P. The Holy Gospel according to Luke.
- C. Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

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!"

- L. The Gospel of the Lord.
- C. Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

The Sermon: Rev. Mark Luscombe

[Silence for reflection follows the sermon.]

(please stand)

The Hymn of the Day: #793 BE THOU MY VISION

Apostles' Creed

P. Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

The Prayers:

A. As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

(Kneel)

(after each petition, please respond)

- A. God of grace,
- C. hear our prayer.
- P. Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C. Amen

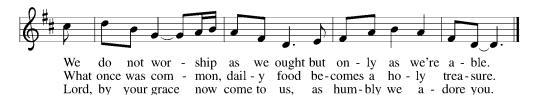
The Offering: Sr. Choir- Seek Ye First, Douglas E. Wagner

(Stand)

The Offertory: "Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring"



- 1 Ac-cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up-on your ta-ble.
- The vines were plant ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.
- Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be fore you.



The Offertory Prayer:

P. Gracious God:

C. in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen

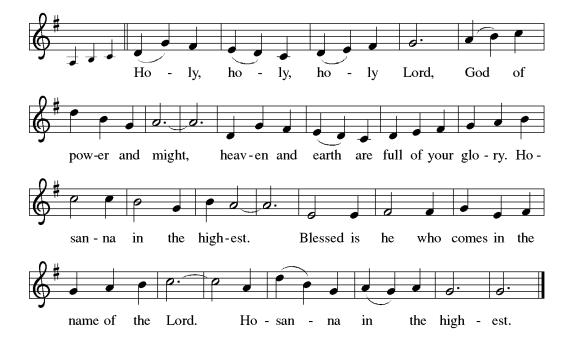
The Preface Dialogue: THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.
- P. Lift up your hearts.
- C. We lift them to the Lord.
- P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Preface for Time after Pentecost

P. "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy......join their unending hymn."

The Sanctus:



Eucharist Prayer:

P. Holy God, our Bread of life......Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C. Amen

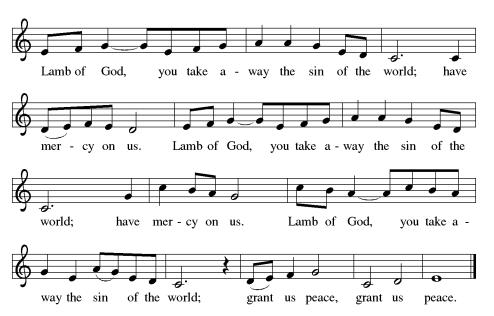
The Lord's Prayer:

C. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

The Fraction:

- P. Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.
- C. Thanks be to God!

Agnus Dei - LAMB OF GOD



[Please be seated at the conclusion of this hymn.]

The Distribution:

- #818 O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU
- #759 MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE
- #800 SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART
- #810 O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED
- #863 MY GOD, HOW WONDERFUL THOU ART

The Blessing of Communicants:

- P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C. Amen

The Post Communion Prayer:

- P. God of the abundant table,
- C. you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

The Benediction

P. God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

C. Amen

The Dismissal

- A. Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
- C. Thanks be to God.

The Postlude: Plein Jeu, Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

Please do not forget to fill out a Communion Card. A communion and contribution of record are necessary each year for confirmed Members to maintain their voting status.

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR OUR WORSHIP APPOINTMENTS TODAY:

† To the glory of God.

The rose bud by the pulpit is placed to the glory of God with thanks for His gift of Life. Leo Robert Sernoffsky the son of Jared and Heather Sernoffsky and grandson of Mike and Elaine Sernoffsky was born on September 28.

OUR WORSHIPING COMMUNITY

ASSISTING MINISTER: John Weiss

COUNCIL TEAM:

COMMUNION ASSISTANT:

Christy Boos, Norm Wangman

LECTOR: Lisa Garrett

ALTAR GUILD:

Barb & Steve Sweigart, Andy Sweigart

ACOLYTE: Ava Morgan

USHERS:

Steve Sweigart, Carl Rentschler,

Andy Sweigart

LINEN LAUNDERING: Brenda Wangman

dy Sweigart

DELIVER FLOWERS: Winnie Gerlach

AUDIO-VISUAL

Live Stream

Prayers of the People

Family and friends of Sister Phyllis Enck

Sue Rentschler – 116 Barn Owl Rd. Lititz, PA 17543

Joy Althouse – United Zion Skilled Care Rm. 26

Bonnie Frey – Luther Acres, Manor Care, Rm. 142 17543

Connie Hutchinson – 1010 James Ave. Ephrata, PA 17522

Candice Walker – 270 Stevens Rd. Stevens, PA 17578

Jurkovic family

Jacob Connelly

The people of Ukraine

Shut-ins of the Parish

President Biden and leaders of this nation, Leaders and policy makers of every nation All outreach ministries, serving those in need

All those who have suffered losses during the current pandemic and all those front line and essential workers keeping us safe.

If for any reason you enter the hospital, whether outpatient or inpatient, please contact the church office and Pastor Mark. If you wish to be on the prayer list or have a friend or family member needing prayers, please contact the church office.

CONGREGATION REQUEST FOR PRAYER

The office staff does not know the current status of many on the list below. If there is a change in their life circumstance making it possible to remove their name from this list, please let the church office know.

Alexander Mulvenna Emmalyn Mulvenna Linda Hutchinson Kathy Berkosky Janet Brunner Pat Schreibeis COL. Eric Bowers Dan Wierbiki Jacob Hinkle Jr. Karen Woerner Kim Kim Harnish Rick Gerhard Jim and Vicki Enders Dottie Effinger Jim Weik Evelyn Chronister Heidi White

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