

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – SEPTEMBER 15, 2024



God has promised to hear our prayers and respond. He speaks to us and desires that we would hear him. Some hear the Word of God and respond in faith while some fail to hear anything. The Lord, however, hears all of our cries for mercy. He responds by bringing healing and wholeness to his people in ways we don't even realize we need. Through faith we call on the name of the Lord..

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUEST

- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ All who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to join in communion today.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.

▼ = SIT ▲ = STAND

MUSICIAN: KAREN HALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL PRELUDE - Karen Hall

▲ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION (Spoken)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(SILENCE FOR REFLECTION AND SELF-EXAMINATION)

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

By the mercy of God we are united with Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise every morning to serve Him.

Amen

▲ HYMN "COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING" LBW #522

▲ GREETING

▲ LITANY PSALM 103:1-6 (NLT)

Let all that I am praise the Lord;

with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name.

Let all that I am praise the Lord;

may I never forget the good things he does for me.

He forgives all my sins

and heals all my diseases.

He redeems me from death

and crowns me with love and tender mercies.

He fills my life with good things.

My youth is renewed like the eagle's!

The Lord gives righteousness

and justice to all who are treated unfairly.

Amen

▼ BLC CHOIR – "MY STRENGTH"

PLEASE STAND FOR THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

▲ **GENESIS 50:15-21** (p. 52 in pew Bible)

▲ **1 PETER 4:7-14** (p. 1206 in pew Bible)

▼ KCJAM/CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

▲ The Holy Gospel from the 4TH Chapter of Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.** (Spoken)

▲ **MARK 4:35-40** (p. 998 in pew Bible)

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** (Spoken)

▼ MESSAGE - **THE PERFECT STORM**

▲ HYMN - "WHEN PEACE LIKE A RIVER" LBW #346

▲ APOSTLES' CREED (Spoken)

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

▼ PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs...

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

▼ OFFERING PRAYER (Spoken)

Heavenly Father, creator of all things, **we come before you today seeking your divine guidance and wisdom. We gather as a congregation and recognize the importance of this in our journey of faith. We ask for your divine wisdom to fill our hearts and minds.**

Help us understand the impact of stewardship on our spiritual lives, families, church, and our community.

Lord Jesus, inspire a spirit of generosity, rooted in the love and grace you have poured upon us. Amen

▲ OUR RESPONSE (Sung)

**Praise God from who all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

▼ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

▼ LORD'S PRAYER

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

▼ AGNUS DEI (Sung)

**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.**

▼ DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT

(All who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to join with us today.)

▲ COMMUNION BLESSING

▲ POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (Spoken)

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

▲ BENEDICTION (Spoken)

May the God of peace fill you with all joy and peace in believing. So that by the power of The Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

▲ SENDING SONG - "MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS" LBW# 293

▲ DISMISSAL (Spoken)

Grow in faith! Love God. Serve others. Share Christ. **Impact the world!**

POSTLUDE