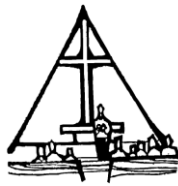


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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 17, 2017

Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book – Holy Communion Setting One

We encourage worshippers to use the time in the sanctuary before the liturgy begins for silent meditation and prayer. The entire assembly will read the Gospel together; pew Bibles can be found in front of you, children's Bibles and large print lessons are available from the ushers. Prayer for healing and anointing with oil is offered in the narthex during Holy Communion. Any worshipper wishing to receive these gifts may proceed there after receiving the host and the cup, and before returning to the pew.

Bold Print – indicates congregation responds as a whole

* – indicates congregation should stand as able

PRELUDE

Look at the World

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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***OPENING HYMN**

Oh, Worship the King

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***GREETING**

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***HYMN OF PRAISE**

This is the Feast

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Genesis 50:15-21

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PSALM – Psalm 103:1-13

Cantor sings refrain (R). The congregation then repeats the refrain.

*Congregation responds with the **bold verses**.*



Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**2 Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all God's benefits—**

3 who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases;

4 who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy; **R**

5 who satisfies your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

**6 O LORD, you provide vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.**

7 You made known your ways to Moses
and your works to the children of Israel.

**8 LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love; **R****

9 you will not always accuse us,
nor will you keep your anger forever.

**10 You have not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor repaid us according to our iniquities.**

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.

**12 As far as the east is from the west,
so far have you removed our transgressions from us.**

13 As a father has compassion for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD. **R**

SECOND LESSON Romans 14:1-12

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***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia

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***GOSPEL**

* (P) The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 18:21-35

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***(C) Glory to you, O Lord.**

* (P) The Gospel of our Lord.

***(C) Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

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***APOSTLES' CREED**

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***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

OFFERING

Bless the Lord My Soul

Antonio Vivaldi, arr. Hal Hopson

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

Let the Vineyards

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***OFFERING PRAYER**

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Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, 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. Amen.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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DISTRIBUTION

To make the distribution of the Lord's Supper as easy as possible, we ask that people who wish to commune and who use a wheelchair or walker come to the front first to receive the Sacrament.

LAMB OF GOD

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We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW # 479

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ELW # 502

There Is a Balm in Gilead

ELW # 614

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

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***CLOSING HYMN**

Lead On, O King Eternal

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***DISMISSAL**

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POSTULDE

The Shield of the Lord

The Second Commandment is: **You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. What does this mean? We are to fear and love God so that we do not use his name superstitiously, or use it to curse, swear, lie, or deceive, but call upon him in prayer, praise and thanksgiving.**

To Our Guests and Visitors Today: Every baptized believer who is of age is invited to receive the Lord's Supper as we worship. The invitation is extended to each of us by the Lord himself, because he is the host of the meal. We also believe that he is the meal; that is that "in, with, and under" the bread and wine we do receive the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Please follow the directions of the ushers if you wish to commune. Children under the age of ten are invited to receive a Word of blessing. ***Worshippers unable to commune at the front of the church...Please register with an usher and a lay minister will bring the Supper to you in your pew.***

THIS WEEK AT CROSS

Today, September 179:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School Kickoff
11:00am Adult Education
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church
3:00pm 7th Day Adventists
5:00pm 7th Day Adventists

Monday, September 18.....6:30pm Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, September 19.....9:30am – 11:00am II Corinthians Bible Study
6:30pm – 8:00pm II Corinthians Bible Study

Wednesday, September 206:30pm – 7:30pm Confirmation Class
7:15pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 218:30am Garden Club
3:00pm Worship Service at The Shores of Lake Phalen
7:00pm 7th Day Adventist Prayer Group

Saturday, September 22.....9:30am – 12:30pm 7th Day Adventists

Sunday, September 239:30am Worship Service
10:45am Sunday School/TEEN Classes
11:00am Adult Education
11:00am Worship Service at The Homestead of Maplewood
12:30pm – 4:00pm Dwelling Place of God End Time Church

Today you will find in the bulletin a table prayer. We know that our Lord is the source of all blessings, and that it is most fitting for us to give thanks before we eat. Some people always pray the same prayer. Others prefer to pray different prayers – some don't pray at all. A different prayer will be included each month to help us all in this daily devotion.



Table Prayer: *(To the tune of Before You, Lord, We Bow)*

Before you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns above and rules the world below with boundless power and love. Our thanks we bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise, to you we sing! Amen.



Stewardship Verse Ephesians 4:11-12

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.



Be a good steward of the earth; if you aren't taking your bulletin home, please drop it in the recycling bin in the narthex.

