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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 16, 2018

HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Confessional Service with Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn of Invocation - #459

"Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare"

+ The Invocation – pg. 46ff (*stand*)

+ Versicles & Responses

+ INTROIT *Ps. 31:14–16; antiphon: Ps. 31:24*

Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

all you who wait for the LORD!

But I trust in you, O LORD;

I say, "You are my God."

My times are in your hand;

rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!

Make your face shine on your servant;

save me in your steadfast love!

Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

all you who wait for the LORD!

+ The Confessional Address or Exhortation – pg. 47

+ The Corporate Confession of Sins and Absolution – pg. 47-48

+ The Collect for the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 50:4-10

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

+ The Epistle: James 3:1-12

+ The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:14-29

+ The Nicene Creed – pg. 22

+ Hymn - #433

“Jesus, My Truth, My Way”

+ Sermon – “All Things Are Possible with Jesus; He Will Help!”

Mark 7:22-24

- I. **All things are possible for one who believes in Jesus.**
- II. **An honest prayer: “I do believe; help my unbelief.”**
- III. **Jesus has compassion and helps people with faulty faith.**

+ The Offertory – pg. 22 (*stand*)

+ The Offerings

- **The Sanctuary Choir (8:00 a.m.)**

“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”

+ The Prayer of the Church

+ The Preface ~ The Agnus Dei – pg. 24-28

+ Distribution Hymns

#428 - “I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”

#457 - “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

#313 - “O Lord, We Praise Thee”

+ The Nunc Dimittis – pg. 29

+ The Thanksgiving – pg. 30

+ Post-Communion Collect – pg. 30

+ The Salutation & The Benedicamus – pg. 31

+ The Benediction – pg. 31

+ Closing Hymn - #428 (7:00 p.m.)

“I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

September 16: 2 Chron. 35:1–7, 16–25; Col. 3:1–25; **17:** 2 Chron. 36:1–23; Col. 4:1–18; **18:** Neh. 1:1–2:10; 1 Tim. 1:1–20; **19:** Neh. 2:11–20; 4:1–6; 1 Tim. 2:1–15; **20:** Neh. 4:7–23; 1 Tim. 3:1–16; **21:** Neh. 5:1–16; 6:1–9, 15–16; 1 Tim. 4:1–16; **22:** Neh. 7:1–4; 8:1–18; 1 Tim. 5:1–16.

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