

# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 19, 2021

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+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Divine Setting Three pg. 184 in the hymnal

**BELL CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING HYMN**

*“Salvation unto Us Has Come”*

**#555** vs 1,6,7,9,10

**INVOCATION + CONFESSION + ABSOLUTION**

**KYRIE**

*“Lord, Have Mercy”*

**GLORIA**

*“Glory to God in the Highest”*

**COLLECT**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Jeremiah 11:18-20** (ESV)

*The LORD revealed to Jeremiah that his own townspeople were plotting to kill him because he spoke an unpopular message from the LORD. These verses also describe Jesus.*

The LORD made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more." But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

**James 3:13-4:10** (ESV)

*Those who claim to be wise while causing quarrels and fighting in the Church are deluding themselves. The wisdom of God promotes peace and righteousness within the Church.*

Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. And 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? You 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. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people! 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. Or 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"? But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA**

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**GOSPEL READING**

**Mark 9:30-37** (ESV)

*Jesus predicts his betrayal, crucifixion and death, but the disciples are distracted by dreams of earthly glory. Jesus teaches them that true greatness is measured by serving.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Mark the ninth chapter. **C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he did not want anyone to know, for 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." But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. And 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." And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**NICENE CREED**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**Jody Wiemer**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Son of God, Eternal Savior”*

**#842**

**SERMON**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

*“Create in me a clean heart, O God”*

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**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

PREFACE

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SANCTUS

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

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LORD’S PRAYER (spoken)

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD (spoken)

THE PEACE OF THE LORD (sung)

AGNUS DEI

*“Lamb of God”*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#628 *“Your Table I Approach”*

#685 *“Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”*

#694 *“Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower”*

#704 *“Renew Me, O Eternal Light”*

#655 *“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”*

DISMISSAL

NUNC DIMITTIS

*“Song of Simeon”*

THANKSGIVING

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

SALUTATION AND BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Rev David Ohlman, Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, Polk

Rev Eddie Mekasha, missionary to Sudanese and Ethiopian Immigrants

**For Our Congregation and Community:**

**Barb Barth knee surgery this week**

**Prayer of thanksgiving for the birth of Nicholas Allen on 9-13-21 to Shawn and Melissa Schmieding**

**Dealing with an illness:** Wilmer Ritterling, Taida Grantski, Ann Gardels, Mary Reeves (niece of Bobbie Luce), Sharron Owens, Pat Koch, Karen Stuart (Roy Richter’s mother), Andrea Swanson Kuester, Jenni Conell, Shelley Scheele, Stephen Ramsey, Roger Rhodes, Mitch Peeks, Bill Chessar (brother of Teresa Rathjen), Sheila Franks, Dick Greenwood, Carole Stern (Heather Wellman’s mother), Shelley Neemeyer (Sheri Hahn’s sister-in-law), Anna (Friend of DuAnne Deremer)

**Recovering from surgery:** Merle Schmieding

**Declining Health:** LaVern Stuhr on hospice

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***In Response to God's Love***

**September 12:** Inperson Attendance: 290 Visitors: 54 Online: 79 Sunday School: 38

**VOLUNTEERS:**

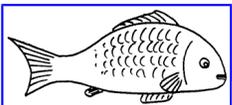
**TODAY(09-19-21) Acolyte:** Garret Brandenburgh    **Lay Reader:** Tim Heidorn    **Organist:** Dylan Teut  
**Next Week: 9-26-21 Acolyte:** Nya Fischer    **Lay Reader:**Jamie Kovac    **Organist:** Contemporary Choir

**THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY (09-19)	9:00 AM	Worship w/Communion
	10:30 AM	Bible Study/Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Orphan Grain Train Fish/Brat Dinner
	6:00 PM	Junior High Youth Ministry
	7:30 PM	Senior High Youth Ministry
MONDAY (09-20)	-----	Pastor out of the office
TUESDAY (09-21)	-----	Pastor out of the office
	1:30 PM	Nimble Thimbles
WEDNESDAY (09-22)	-----	Pastor out of the office
	8:30 AM	Chapel
	8:45 AM	Orphan Grain Train
	8:00 PM	Contemporary Choir Practice
THURSDAY (09-23)	-----	
FRIDAY (09-24)	6:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
	-----	NO SCHOOL
SATURDAY (09-25)	-----	Volleyball Trinity in Grand Island
SUNDAY (09-26)	9:00 AM	Contemporary Worship
	10:30 AM	Bible Study/Sunday School
	6:00 PM	Junior High Youth Ministry
	7:30 PM	Senior High Youth Ministry

As of 09-12-21	Amount received 09-12-21	Needed each week	Received YTD 2021	YTD Amount needed to cover 2021 budget	Difference
General Fund	\$7,941.00		\$476,669.00		
Thrivent Choice	\$0.00		\$3,880.00		
School Tuition	\$0.00		\$19,256.00		
<b>Total</b>	\$7,941.00	\$19,902.00	\$499,805.00	\$568,047.00	-\$68,242.00
Building Fund	\$0.00		\$790.00	Bldg Fund**	\$7,908.00
Teacherage Fund	\$0.00		\$600.00	Teacherage Fund	\$675.00
Restricted Funds (other than bldg)	\$0.00		\$1,476.00		
Mekasha Mission (9/21-8/22) 5k goal	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$320.00	\$192.00	\$128.00

Current Operating Note: \$20,000.00 (debt limit is \$90,000)    \*\*Insurance Proceeds Received



**Orphan Grain Train dinner Today Sunday September 19th** St. Paul will be hosting a fundraising dinner for the Central Nebraska branch of OGT. There will be the traditional pollock white fish, small red potatoes and pearl onions as well as salads and desserts brought by our members. Grilled bratwursts and a few hot dogs will also be on the menu for those wanting an alternative to fish. Please join us at 11:00 on Sunday, the 19th (serving till 1:00) and support the work carried out by OGT. ~ hosted by the OGT volunteers

**DOOR OFFERING FOR OGT TODAY** If you are not able to come to the Fish/Brat dinner today, you have the opportunity to leave a donation in the wooden chest in the narthex. Thank you for helping support the Central Nebraska Orphan Grain Train organization in Grand Island!

**Living Well With Chronic Disease – September 21st – October 29th. Meets each Tuesday 1:00-3:30pm at the Seward Lied Senior Center**

**Living Well is a six session workshop for people with, or caregivers of people with, lifelong health conditions, such as heart disease, anxiety, arthritis, etc... The sessions provide you with tools, skills and support to make lasting lifestyle and behavior changes. Those who attend learn to identify challenges and solve problems related to their illness(es). The workshop helps people live a better quality of life with a chronic disease. Many across the United States have completed this workshop and are living better lives! To register, or for more information, contact Angel Dale at (402) 362-2621, [info@fourcorners.ne.gov](mailto:info@fourcorners.ne.gov), or register online at <https://www.compasshp.org/workshops/>.**

*Thank you for the beautiful cards and notes I received for my birthday. It made my birthday very special. Blessings to each of you! Florence Gruber*

*THANK YOU. I would like to say "Thank you" for the many prayers, visits, phone calls and food received during my recent journey with my health issues. Thanks also to our Pastors for their prayers. It is great to be a part of a caring church and community. God's Blessings to each and everyone of you. Pauline Bulgrin*

**Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the refugee home, coordinated by Josephine's Girl Scout Troop. We are overwhelmed and extremely grateful for St. Paul's generosity! We know that there will soon be a refugee family from Afghanistan who will be excited to have a newly furnished home. At this point, we have enough household furnishings. We are, however, still in need of personal hygiene items as well as cleaning supplies, including trash cans. You can leave items in the church fellowship hall, contact Katelyn or contact Stacie at [stacie.turnbull@gmail.com](mailto:stacie.turnbull@gmail.com). Thank you for helping a family get a new start on their life!**



*Singers welcome to join us leading contemporary songs on Sunday September 26th. Practice is Wednesday September 22nd @ 8:00 pm. See Carol Erks for more information.*

**Do you, or someone you know, experience a number of so-called Senior Moments? Do you chalk it up to 'old age' catching up with you? Or could it be something more serious. . . There's a new tract at the Welcome Center provided by LLL, called "Alzheimers: Facing the Loss of a Lifetime", which follows the journey of one family through the various stages of memory loss that provides great information and resources. Help yourself.**

**COLLECTING ITEMS FOR THE LUTHERAN CHAPEL IN LINCOLN** St. Paul Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is participating in a collection of items for the Lutheran Chapel as part of our Zone's Fall Rally. We **invite everyone** to join us in supporting the college students who attend the Chapel. Items that the students find useful include: \* microwave popcorn packets \* pens \* highlighters \* toothpaste \* gum \* anything snacky \* disinfectant wipes \* laundry detergent pods \* 6 ft electric cords \* batteries \* to-go-snacks \* quarters for doing laundry \* power strips \* hot chocolate/tea/coffee \* fun skin care items \* tissues \* cute planners \*---- There will be a tub in the narthex and marked "FOR THE LUTHERAN CHAPEL" up until Oct. 3 Thanks for any donation ~ LWML