LSB 818

THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TODAY'S WORSHIP

*OPENING HYMN

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE / WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:30 The Winds of Peace Overture G.F. Handel

In Thee Is Gladness

1. In Thee is gladness, Amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart.

By Thee are given, The gifts of heaven, Thou the true Redeemer art.

Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;

Who trusts Thee surely, Has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!

Our hearts are pining, To see Thy shining.

Dying or living, To Thee are cleaving;

Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

2. Since He is ours, - We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin nor death.

He sees and blesses, In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath.

Wherefore the story, tell of His glory,

With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices, In Him forever; Alleluia!

We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,

Love Him and praise Him, And still shall raise Him,

Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

10:30 Sunday School Children

The Books of the Old Testament

INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

BAPTISM (8:00 & 10:30)

- L: Be merciful to me, O God, because of Your great love.
- C: Wipe away my sin, because of Your mercy.
- L: Absolve my guilt.
- C: And pardon my offenses.
- L: Forgive my misdeeds.
- C: And blot out all my transgressions.
- L: Keep me in Your holiness.
- C: That all the day, I may meditate upon Your righteousness.
- L: Renew my life to serve with zeal and dedication.
- C: Receive my confession, merciful Father, for the sake of Your Son, my Savior. By Your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of You and of Your will. Grant me true obedience to Your word, to the end that, by Your grace, I may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

*THE ABSOLUTION

C: Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*THE KYRIE

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the 17th Sunday after Pentecost is from Ezekiel 34:11-12; 16-24, page 722:

11"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out.

12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.

16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

17"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats.

18 Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet?

19 And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

20 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.

21 Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad,

22 I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep.

23 And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd.

24 And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: I Thanks be to God.

8:00 Chancel Choir

A Prayer For Our Time

THE EPISTLE is from 1 Timothy 1:12-17, page 991:

¹²I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

*ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter, verses 1-10, page 874:

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³So he told them this parable: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

(5:00 & 9:20)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come 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.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward) (8:00)

ENERGY

For all Your workers, Lord, Who labor in Your love,

We give You our most gracious thanks, And sing Your praise above.

For all Your church, O Lord, Throughout this troubled earth, We ask Your power from on high, To spread Your saving truth.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00)

Christina Stackle

10:30 BIBLES TO 2nd GRADERS

HYMN OF THE DAY

The Savior Calls

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- 1. The Savior calls; let every ear Attend the heav'nly sound.
 You doubting souls, dismiss your fear Hope smiles reviving round.
- 2. For ev'ry thirsty, longing heart Here streams of bounty flow And life and health and bliss impart To banish mortal woe.
- 3. Here springs of sacred pleasures rise To ease your ev'ry pain; Immortal fountain, full supplies! Nor shall you thirst in vain.
- 4. You sinners, come, 'tis Mercy's voice; The gracious call obey; Mercy invites to heav'nly joys, And can you yet delay?
- 5. Dear Savior, draw reluctant hearts; To You let sinners fly And take the bliss Your love imparts And drink and never die.

THE SERMON

8:00 & 10:30 Pastor Furgeson 5:00 & 9:20 Sem. Kyle Weeks

"Precious Treasure"
"A Label That Matters"

(Luke 15:1-10)

(I Timothy 1:12-17)

THE OFFERING - During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.

VOLUNTARY 10:30 Winds of Peace

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G.F. Handel

*THE OFFERTORY (LSB pg 192)

戊 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*LORD'S PRAYER (Found in the back cover of the hymnal.)

*THE BENEDICTION

C: Amen, amen, amen.

*THE CLOSING HYMN O God of Jacob ST. ANNE

- 1. O God of Jacob, by whose hand Your people still are fed; Who through this weary pilgrimage Has all our fathers led.
- 2. Oh, spread Your cov'ring wings around Till all our wand'rings cease And at our Father's loved abode Our souls arrive in peace.

*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE 10:30 The Winds of Peace La Rejousissance G.F. Handel

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SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; Sem. Kyle Weeks

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 5:00 & 9:20: Alice Kastens; 8:00 & 10:30: Burnell Hackman

Choir Director: Burnell Hackman, DMM, Choir Accompanist: Vern Saunchegrow

Sat. AM 850 KFUO Broadcaster/Engineer: Bob Mullen/Dennis Gerfen

NEWS AND NOTES:

THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Early Church History

<u>Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room)</u>: Discussions led by group members with mentors present.

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

PLEASE KEEP FOOD & DRINK consumption inside the Gym.

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS</u> are from Ray Wagner in loving memory of his wife Jane, on the occasion of their 61st wedding anniversary on September 10th.

<u>BAPTISMS</u> (8:00) <u>Hannah Grace Lunsford</u>, daughter of Eric M. and Karla J. nèe Partain Lunsford. Sponsors: Michael A. and Kathleen A. nèe Partain Christmann.(10:30) <u>Karli Reneé Bryan</u>, daughter of Cody M. and Nicole R. nèe Frazier Bryan. Sponsors: Bradley M. Frazier and Kristin M. Tosie.

<u>GRANDPARENTS' DAY</u> (5:00, 8:00, 10:30) Those grand or great-grandparents worshipping this day with grand or great-grandchildren in attendance, will be recognized at the beginning of the services today.

BLOOD DRIVE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Sign up in the Commons. Walk-ins welcome!

<u>CALLING ALL FIRST RESPONDERS</u> In remembrance of the 15th anniversary of September 11, Green Park Lutheran School is hosting a special chapel honoring you. If you, or someone you love, is or was fire, police, EMS, please join us. Neighbors, relatives, friends...everyone is welcome to join. Wednesday, September 14, 8:30-9:00am, 4248 Green Park Road. Join us in worship, be recognized and never forget.

<u>DEAR FRIENDS OF GREEN PARK</u> We are asking you to complete a short nine question survey to update your contact information. We are working towards a more accurate contact database in order to keep you informed. We ask that you go to the Green Park website (www.greenparklutheranschool.org) to find the survey. Thank you again for your continued love for Green Park.

<u>GREEN PARK FALL FESTIVAL – OCTOBER 1</u> Join us for the Green Park Fall Festival on October 1, 3:00-6:00pm at Green Park Lutheran School. The whole family can enjoy an afternoon of face-painting, bobbing for apples, a chili cook-off, and many more treats and activities! This event is open to the whole community and we look forward to seeing everyone there!

<u>YOUTH NEWS</u>: <u>Jr. Youth</u> - Grab your friends and join us at The Edge on Saturday, September 17 to play Laser Tag. Cost is \$15 and includes pizza dinner and 4 games of Laser Tag. Please sign up by <u>today</u>. <u>High School Small Groups</u> meet this evening from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

<u>THE STORY BIBLE</u> delivers beautiful life-like art and features discussion questions, learning activities, and prayers. The Story Bible is designed to engage children and to build a strong foundation in Christ. It will be **available to order until today, September 11**, by the Sunday School Office; the cost is \$20.

YOUTH HANDBELL ENSEMBLE Your child (grades 3-8) is invited to join the Youth Handbell Ensemble. This ensemble is a wonderful way for young people to experience the joy of working together toward a creative goal. Team building skills are honed as members depend upon one another for the musical presentations to be a success. Christian discipleship is a primary focus as students support and encourage one another, learn more about their faith through the sacred music they ring, and take on a leadership role in the worship that we all experience as a Christian community. Please visit www.peacestlmusic.org for more information or to register!

<u>LADIES GUILD KICK-OFF LUNCHEON</u> will be at Gianino's Restaurant, 4571 Chestnut Park Plaza, 11:30, Thursday, September 15. RSVP to Geri Werner by September 12.

<u>REMINDER TO PICK UP DISHES/CONTAINERS</u> Please check the shelves, located in far corner of the kitchen, for containers you may left for luncheon / food donations.

<u>CONCERT AT PEACE</u> next Sunday, September 18, 7:00 p.m. with legendary tubist Gene Pokorny, Principal Tuba with Chicago Symphony Orchestra since 1988. He has performed on movie soundtracks of Jurassic Park, The Fugitive, and The Nightmare Before Christmas. You don't want to miss this exciting event!

<u>INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY</u> session Tuesday, September 27 at Concordia Seminary on "Transgenderism and the Christian Witness" by Dr. Robert Wiese. Information: www.StPaulDesPeres.org.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2016:

Today: 11:30 Youth Board

11:45 Life Ministry Team

Mon: 3:30 GP Volleyball

7:00 Voters' Assembly

Tue: 9:00 Quilters

7:00 Scout Troop 584 Committee Mtg.

7:00 Eagle Scout Board of Review

Wed: 4:00 5/6/7/8 Gr. Confirmation Class

7:00 Wednesday Bible Study

Thu: 6:00 Men's Morning Bible Study

9:00 Mary/Martha

6:30 ESL Classes

7:00 Chancel Choir

Sat: 9:00 Blood Drive

5:00 Worship Service w/ Comm

Sun:8/9:20/10:30 Worship Services