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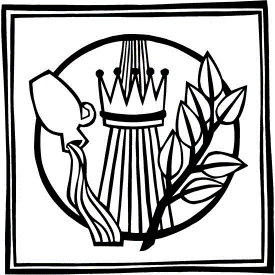
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**17th Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 15, 2024, 9:00 am**

***Introduction to the day…***

Three weeks ago we heard Peter’s confession of faith as told in John’s gospel. This week we hear Mark’s version, when Peter says, “You are the Messiah.” In John, the stumbling block is Jesus’ invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus’ words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus’ words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING**

**GATHERING HYMN Great is Thy Faithfulness ELW 733**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,

who forgives all our sin,

whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us.**

A row of books in pews

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**but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us**

**cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first**

**we make distinctions among ourselves.**

**We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.**

**In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.**

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,**

**and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,**

**our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity

and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ,

the source of eternal healing,

your sins are forgiven.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**CHILDREN’S MUSIC Nothing Can Trouble ACS 1033**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a**

**A close-up of hands holding a cross necklace

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  the tongue of a teacher,  
 that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.  
 Morning by morning he wakens—  
  wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.  
 5The Lord God has opened my ear,  
  and I was not rebellious,  
  I did not turn backward.  
 6I gave my back to those who struck me,  
  and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
 I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.  
 7The Lord God helps me;  
  therefore I have not been disgraced;  
 therefore I have set my face like flint,  
  and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
  8he who vindicates me is near.  
 Who will contend with me?  
  Let us stand up together.  
 Who are my adversaries?  
  Let them confront me.  
 9aIt is the Lord God who helps me;  
  who will declare me guilty?

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 116:1-9**

1I love the Lord, who has heard my voice,  
 and listened to my supplication,  
2**for the Lord has given ear to me**  
 **whenever I called.**  
3The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;  
 I came to grief and sorrow.  
4**Then I called upon the name of the Lord:**  
 **“O Lord, I pray you save my life.”**  
5Gracious is the Lord and righteous;  
 our God is full of compassion.  
6**The Lord watches over the innocent;**  
 **I was brought low and God saved me.**  
7Turn again to your rest O my soul.  
 for the Lord has dealt well with you.  
8**For you have rescued my life from death,**  
 **my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**  
9I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
 in the land of the living.

**SECOND READING: James 3:1-12**

1Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. 2For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. 3If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. 4Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. 5So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.  
  How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! 6And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. 7For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, 8but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. 9With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. 10From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. 11Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? 12Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken ACS 974**

**GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38**

27Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” 28And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” 29He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” 30And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.  
 31Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”  
 34He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? 37Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus ELW 802**

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,**

**A black and white drawing of a person holding a lamb

Description automatically generatedwho was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the Virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

**he ascended into heaven,**

**he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

…Hear us, O God,

**Your mercy is great.**

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERING***In addition to our normal offering, a* ***Special Benevolence in September*** *(collected in a special envelope) will be* ***Orenda Center.***

**OFFERING SONG Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My** **Song ELW 808**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A book on a table

Description automatically generatedBlessed are you, O God,

source of every gift of your creation.

By these gifts and with our lives,

help us to serve one another and all in need,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy ELW 189**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,

you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,

but guided us into the path of love and light.

In every age you sent prophets

to make known your loving will for all humanity.

The cry of the poor has become your own cry;

our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant

to preach good news to the afflicted,

to break bread with the outcast and despised,

and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,

we await the day when Jesus shall return

to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.

Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,

to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,

that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,

we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**THE 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.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** *- Certified gluten-free crackers are in the bowl on the communion plate.*

Jesus welcomes you to this table.

Come, here is your God.

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Holy God,

you have welcomed us to this meal

and fed us with dignity at your table.

Send us now to welcome others

and to be at peace with one another,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**SENDING**

**BLESSING**

God all mighty,

God most merciful

☩ bless you, keep you,

and give you peace.

**Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN Guide Me Feet ACS 987**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

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| **Coming up at GSLC** | | |
| Sunday, September 15 | 9:00 am | Worship Service – Sunday School   * Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost * Mark 8:27-38; Peter’s confession of faith |
| Tuesday, September 17 | 2:00 pm | Chapel at Three Oaks |
|  | 7:00 pm | AA Meeting |
| Wednesday, September 18 | 12:00 pm | Bible Study (discuss Season 4 Episode 2 of “The Chosen”) |
|  | 7:00 pm | Midweek Worship  Confirmation Class |
| Sunday, September 22 | 9:00 am | Worship Service   * Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost * Mark 9:30-37; Prediction of the passion |

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| ***Upcoming Worship Assistants*** | | | | | | |
|  | **Usher** | **Lector** | **Communion** | **Offering Counters** | | **Deep Clean** |
| September 15 | Rob & Leslie Mader | Kris Tarter | Bob & Laurel  Peterson | Dan Mundt | Jon Hill | September:  Julie Will  Deb Janz  Chris Tipping |
| September 22 | Tim & Farrah  Uphoff | Shelly Schneider | Matt & Margo  Berrier | Nancy Leonard | Breanna Butler |
| September 29 | Heidi Binder | Richard  Kopitzke | Tammy Neumann  Sarah Kopitzke | Robin Beeman | David Schneider |
| October 6 | Christopher & Trina Ignatowski | Linda Schreiber | Dan & Pam  Mundt | Hedi Binder | Kami Weis | October:  John & Jane Wagner  Laurel Peterson |

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SOS has provided their list of needs for this month, which includes:

Kidney Beans, Baked Beans, Sandwich Bags, Chicken Noodle Soup, Dish Soap, Oatmeal, Jelly, Gravy,Pudding, Broth, All Purpose Cleaner, Shampoo, Conditioner, Pancake Mix, Baking Items, Paper Towels, Dried Soup. **Urgently need: rice mixes, pasta sauce, dried soups, and corn.**

The Good Shepherd T-shirts have arrived! They can be picked up in the office or after Sunday worship. Shirts are $13 each.

Due to a schedule change, Sunday School begins on September 15th without a Rally Day. Sunday School will continue on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month the rest of the school year.

Bible Study is returning!

We will have an 8 week Bible study discussing Season 4 of The Chosen. Bible study begins Wednesday, September 11th at 12:00 pm. The series is available to stream for free at The Chosen’s [website](https://watch.thechosen.tv/page/season%204) or in The Chosen app.

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