

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2020

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession & Absolution

C O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John:
"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 2

P Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?

C The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the LORD and against his anointed, saying,

P "Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us."

C He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.

P Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

C “As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill.”

P I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.

C Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

P You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”

C Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

P Serve the LORD with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.

C Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 15:1–19

¹Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the
LORD, saying,

“I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

²The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise him,
my father’s God, and I will exalt him.

³The LORD is a man of war;
the LORD is his name.

⁴“Pharaoh’s chariots and his host he cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

- ⁵The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.
- ⁶Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
- ⁷In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your
adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them
like stubble.
- ⁸At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.
- ⁹The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide
the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.'
- ¹⁰You blew with your wind; the sea covered them;
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.
- ¹¹"Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?"
- ¹²You stretched out your right hand;
the earth swallowed them.
- ¹³"You have led in your steadfast love the people
whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by
your strength to your holy abode.
- ¹⁴The peoples have heard; they tremble;
pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia.
- ¹⁵Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;
trembling seizes the leaders of Moab;
all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.
- ¹⁶Terror and dread fall upon them; because of the
greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your
people, O LORD, pass by, till the people pass by whom
you have purchased.
- ¹⁷You will bring them in and plant them on your own
mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for
your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands
have established.
- ¹⁸The LORD will reign forever and ever."

¹⁹For when the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them, but the people of Israel walked on dry ground in the midst of the sea.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Revelation Reading

Revelation 11:15–18

¹⁵Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.” ¹⁶And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, ¹⁷saying,

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,
who is and who was,
for you have taken your great power
and begun to reign.

¹⁸The nations raged,
but your wrath came,
and the time for the dead to be judged,
and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,
and those who fear your name,
both small and great,
and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hymn #793 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
 2 Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple
 3 Fa - ther - like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore Him; You be - hold Him



trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,
 frame He knows; In His hand He gent - ly bears us,
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,



Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Slow to chide and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia,
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia,
 All who dwell in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
 al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.
 al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³³So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?” ³⁵Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world.” ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.” ³⁸Pilate said to him, “What is truth?”

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, “I find no guilt in him. ³⁹But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?” ⁴⁰They cried out again, “Not this man, but Barabbas!” Now Barabbas was a robber.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon

Prayer

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Lord's Prayer

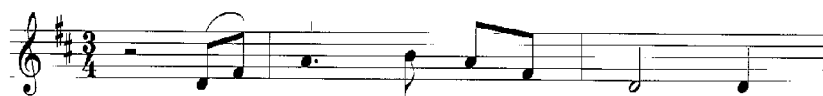
C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

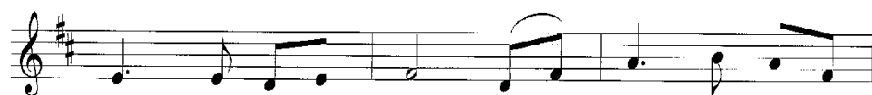
Holy Communion

Distribution Hymn


Jesus Paid It All



I hear the Sav - ior say, "Thy
Lord, now in - deed I find Thy
For no - thing good have I Where -
And when, be - fore the throne, I



strength in - deed is small, Child of weak - ness, watch and
pow'r and Thine a - lone, Can change the lep - er's
by Thy grace to claim; I'll wash my gar - ments
stand in Him com - plete, "Je - sus died my soul to



pray, Find in me thine all in all."
spots And melt the heart of stone.
white In the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.
save," My lips shall still re - peat.



Je - sus paid it all, All to Him I owe;



Sin had left a crim - son stain, He washed it white as snow.

Distribution Hymn #618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Refrain
 Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Announcements

Christian Education

St. James Lutheran Church is supporting Lutheran education through a scholarship program and will provide tuition assistance to families of our congregation. To request a Tuition Assistance Request Form, please contact Cheryl Schnicker in the church office at 618-288-6120 or cherylschnicker@saintjamesglencarbon.org.

Youth Group

Jr. High Apple Adventure Today from Noon to 4. All Junior high families are invited to join us at the church for a picnic lunch from 12:00-1:00pm. We will then head out to Eckert's Family farm in Belleville to pick apples together. Cost is \$5.00 for a field pass per person who would like to pick your own (plus cost of apples). Passes need to be ordered in advance online. Jr. High Students are covered! We will pick a couple bags of apples as a youth group and send each student home with some of their own, plus some caramel and a few family apple recipes from the church. If you would like to send me your favorite Apple recipe to include, there are cards in the foyer or you can email or text them to Stacey Staake.

Jr. High/Sr. High youth group Tuesday Nights at the church from 6:30-8:00pm. Come join us to study Psalm 23 together!

MELHS School Secretary

Metro-East Lutheran High School is currently accepting names of interested people for the position of School Secretary on our Edwardsville campus. The position would be a full-time 10 month (August 1st through May 31st) position with a starting date in early January 2021. If you are interested please send a letter of interest and a resume to Dr. Jay Krause, Principal at jay.krause@melhs.org or call the school office for more information at 618-656-0043.

Bible Study *

Sunday @ 11:30 a.m. (Zoom)

Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

* Please text Pastor Mueller if you have not yet attended and would like a Zoom invitation link sent to your email.

Mercy Ministries

International Hospitality Program

The International Hospitality Program at SIUe is looking for additional "host" families to partner with international students! International students seeking families do not need housing. The college organizes living spaces for them. However, "host" families will 1) spend time with their international students via outings, shared meals, and MORE, 2) get to know their students through conversation and shared experiences, 3) help students experience American culture and feel comfortable here, and 4) learn more about students' cultures! Participating in the International Hospitality Program can be a wonderful experience for families with kids and for couples of any age! If you are interested in becoming a "host" family for SIUe international students this fall, please contact Shanna Covarrubias by email at shanna.covarrubias@melhs.org or via text or call at (618)971-7420. She will get you set up for a virtual orientation to begin your relationship with these young people!

Help St. James "Spread the Joy" with Residential Hospice in Glen Carbon!

Currently they are in need of donations to place in their "Spread the Joy" bags which are distributed to patients in assisted living facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and those still living at home. Donation items may include: packages of small snacks or candies; hot drink mixes like decaf tea and hot cocoa; blank stationary, writing utensils, playing cards and puzzle workbooks; hygiene items like deodorant, shampoo, soap, brushes, lotions, etc.; comfort items like small stuffed animals, lap blankets, hats, scarves, or non-skid socks; and first aid kit items. There will be a box or basket in the back of the church until **Sunday, October 20th** to collect items.

For those who are not worshipping in person at St. James at this time, but would still like to participate in making donations to this cause, please contact **Shanna Covarrubias** by call or text at **(618)971-7420** or email her at shanna.covarrubias@melhs.org .



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