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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022

Our Guiding Story and Mission:

The Road to Emmaus: Luke 24:13-35

As the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Gospel by serving and doing God's will in a manner that meets the needs of our changing world.

Welcome to St. Luke!

We are glad you have joined us today. Visitors are asked to please sign the visitor book at the back of the sanctuary. For more information, please see "News in the Pews" in this bulletin or speak to an usher.

In today's bulletin you will see these abbreviations:

P: spoken by the Pastor **C: Congregation responds**

WOV—With One voice— blue hymnal

LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship—green hymnal

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Prelude on St. Catherine (Faith of Our Fathers)
Gordon Young

Please stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness:
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
C: Amen.

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of mercy and forgiveness,

C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

P: Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven ☩ and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Opening Hymn: WOV 719 God is here

Apostolic Greeting:
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.
P: Let us pray…

Prayer of the Day: Please see Celebrate insert

Please be seated

Ministry of Music: Choir: Come, thou fount of every blessing

For all readings, please see the Celebrate insert

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 37:1-9 Read responsively

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14
The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God**

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke
the seventeenth chapter

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

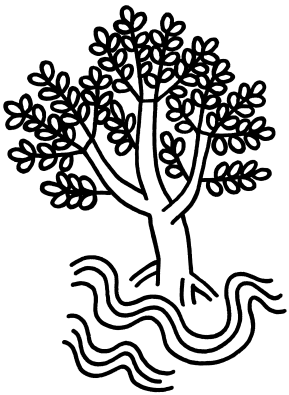
Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Please see Celebrate insert

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

The Message



Please stand as you are able

Hymn of the Day: LBW 479 My faith looks up to thee

Apostles' Creed:
P: Let us confess our faith using the
words of the Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who 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: Please see Celebrate insert

Passing the Peace:
P: The peace of the Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us share his peace with one another.
(Congregation may share the peace with a gesture)

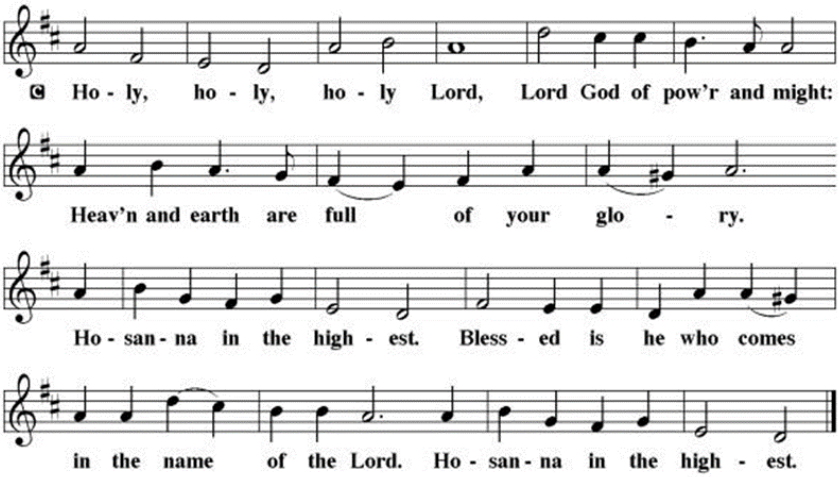
Offering: Thank you for faithfully mailing your offering envelope or placing it in the container.

Offering Prayer:
P: Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving:
P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface:
P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection,
you pour out the fire of your Spirit,
uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses
of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus (Holy, Holy Holy)



P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

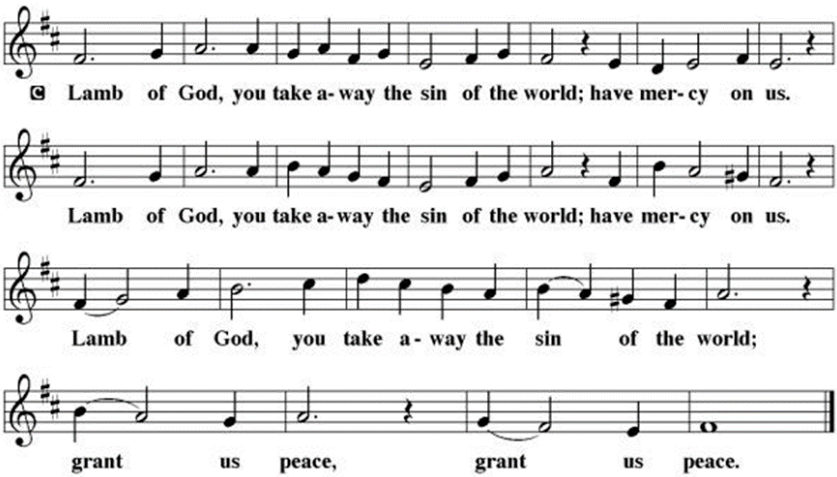
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)



Invitation to Communion:

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Please be seated

Distribution of Communion:

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the forgiveness and community that are given in the bread and wine. Come forward as directed.

Please stand as you are able

Communion Blessing:

P: The body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Prayer after Communion:

P: God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing:
P: God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: LBW 492 O Master let me walk with you

Sending:
P: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Preludio, (Op. 2, No. 1) Antonio Vivaldi

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Our worshiping community:

Pastor: Rev. Angela Hammer **Minister of Music:** Linda Holt

Today's Worship Assistant: Paula Benson
Today's Lay Reader: Anna Mae Grubb
Live Streaming Assistant: William Hoffman

Next Sunday's Worship Assistant: Sue DeLong
Next Sunday's Lay Reader: Richelle Deysher

Ministers: The people of St. Luke Church

This week at St. Luke

Sunday, October 2

8:30 AM Holy Communion
Ingathering
Quilt Blessing
Food Bank Sunday
9:30 AM Sunday School (Children/Adults)
5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal
7:00 PM Taizé

Tuesday, October 4

10:00 AM Band Together
11:00 AM Quilt Packing

Wednesday, October 5

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 6

10:00 AM Band Together
10:00 AM Zoom Bible Study with Pastor Angie
11:30 AM-1:00 PM Community Free Meal

Friday, October 7

12:00—2:00 PM loading quilt boxes onto truck at St. Luke

Saturday—October 8

7:15-10:00 AM load boxes onto large truck at
Bergstrasse Lutheran, Ephrata

Next Sunday, October 9

8:30 AM Service of the Word
9:30 AM Coffee Hour
9:30 AM Sunday School (Children)
5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

Last Week—September 25

Attendance: In-person: 31 Online: 30 Sunday School: 10
Offering: $870 SS Offering: $30

News in our pews

Bible Study Opportunities:

Thursday morning on Zoom - 10:00 AM online with Pastor Angie to look at the texts coming up for the Sunday lectionary. A ZOOM link will be emailed out the week of each study. Contact the church office to be added to the email invitation. Upcoming dates are October 6 and 27.

Beer & Bible - A monthly meeting at a local pub for dinner, drinks, and conversation at 6:30 PM. October 20 at Blue Bird Inn 2387 Cornwall Rd.

Book Club:

The Book Club will be discussing A Walk In The Woods by Bill Bryson. We will meet on Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00pm in the Chapel. All are invited to come and join in the conversation. Please call Richelle Deysher if you have any questions.

Christian Education:

Sunday School meets at 9:30 in the chapel. Children's class meets weekly and is led by Faith Thunberg, Richelle Deysher, and Sarah Kneller. Adult class is led by Scott Rights and meets on the first, third, and fifth Sundays.

Coffee Hour:

Volunteers are needed for coffee hour, held on the second and fourth Sundays following worship. Please see the signup sheet in the narthex.

Community Free Meals:

Volunteers are needed in November and December when it is St. Luke's turn to staff the Thursday noon meals. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the chapel. Please check the dates and sign up for those Thursdays when you can pitch in. Thank you all for your support of the meal programs.

Connect with St. Luke:

Check out our website at https://www.stlukelutheran.org for updates on current events and links to access our online worship services via Facebook or YouTube. You can access online services directly via Facebook at www.facebook.com/StLukeEvangelicalLutheran, or on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKROL7HVJEgtCMksioZwoA.

Bulletins are emailed weekly, but are also available at in-person services. We welcome your feedback, recommendations, suggestions, or improvements regarding the current online transmissions. We also need volunteers to assist with the technical aspects of livestreaming and all the legwork and support this requires. Please send your feedback or volunteer availability to the Church Office.

Covid Guidelines:

Be mindful of others so that we may continue to safely worship together. Masks are recommended for those who are unvaccinated & optional if you are vaccinated. Thank you!

History Books:

St. Luke History—$20.00. Contact Anna Mae Grubb 717-273-7035 or mrgrubby@comcast.net.

Lutheran World Relief Ingathering:

Thank you to the individuals who so kindly provided boxes for our quilts. We have almost 100 quilts to pack into those boxes, labels and tape securely. Volunteers are needed on these dates to ensure that our quilts and others get to those most in need in the United States and abroad:

Tuesday, October 4 - 11:00 AM—pack the quilts

Friday, October 7—12:00-2:00 PM—load boxes from St Luke, St. James, and St. Mark onto the truck. Please meet at the St Luke chapel at noon.

Saturday, October 8—7:15-10:00 AM—loan boxes from our truck to the 18 wheeler at Bergstrauss Lutheran in Ephrata. Please meet at the Plain and Fancy parking lot at 7:15 AM. See Anna Mae Grubb or Sue DeLong for additional information.

Musical Arts at St. Luke

If you are interested in becoming involved in the musical arts at St. Luke, please see Linda Holt. Reminder that choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evening at 7:00.

Newsletter Pick-up:

Please pick up your newsletter on the back cabinets. Newsletter will be mailed that are not picked up today.

October— Monthly Ministry Emphasis:

Lutheran World Relief

Thank you again for your continued support.

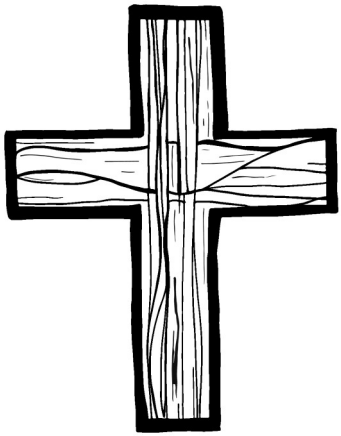
Prayers for:

Those who are ill, recovering, or shut-in, especially:
John Adams, Claudia Addison, Brenda Boyer, Leon Boyer, Amanda Cupernall, Alexandria (Lexxi) Ditzler, Cathy Dunkelberger, Henry Fasnacht, Deb Glassmoyer, Peg Griffe, Bill Gundrum, Kim Lenhart Hale, John Hassinger, Earl Hehnly, Dean Hettinger, Lilly Higgins & Family, Richard and Nancy Hollen, Christopher Johnson (D Hettinger), Landon Kreider, Delores Lesher, Richard Lesher, Ken Light, Donald and Sue McClure, Steven McCracken, Casey McGarvey, Dana McKinney, Maureen Marinkov, Harold (Spike) Moore, Brian Navarre, Barry and Tom Nolt, Kathy O'Roark, Gerald and Ruth Parson, George Pastore, Ronald Ream, Lance Rhodes, Al Shade, Barry Shriver, Linda Simmers, Lloyd Smith, Richard Strohl, Caitlyn, Gretta and Mike Stuber, Robert Todisco, Landis Wenger, Josephine Wenrich, Janet Wharton, Josie Williams, Eddie Wolfe, Marian Yoder, Maggie Zartman, and Ashton Zohn.

Those who are serving in the military, especially:
Timothy Beamesderfer, David Deysher, Tyler Fleagle, Shane Gettler, Steven Ginder, Matthew Plummer, Greg Rocker, and Matthew Sanders.

Congregations and ministries with whom we share mutual ministry:
The congregations and pastors of the Heidelberg Ministerium and Lebanon Conference, Agape House, Lebanon Co. Christian Ministries, Lebanon Taizé Violence Intervention Women's Shelter, Lancaster/Lebanon Habitat for Humanity, Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support Connections of Lebanon County, Our Synod Bishop James S. Dunlop and his staff, and our ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and staff.

The St. Luke Vision to Mission Team - Kit Ahnert, Richelle Deysher, Elaine Matternas, Judy Plummer, Scott Rights, and Todd Snyder.

If you need Pastoral care, please contact the church office or one of the Council Members.

Sermon Notes: