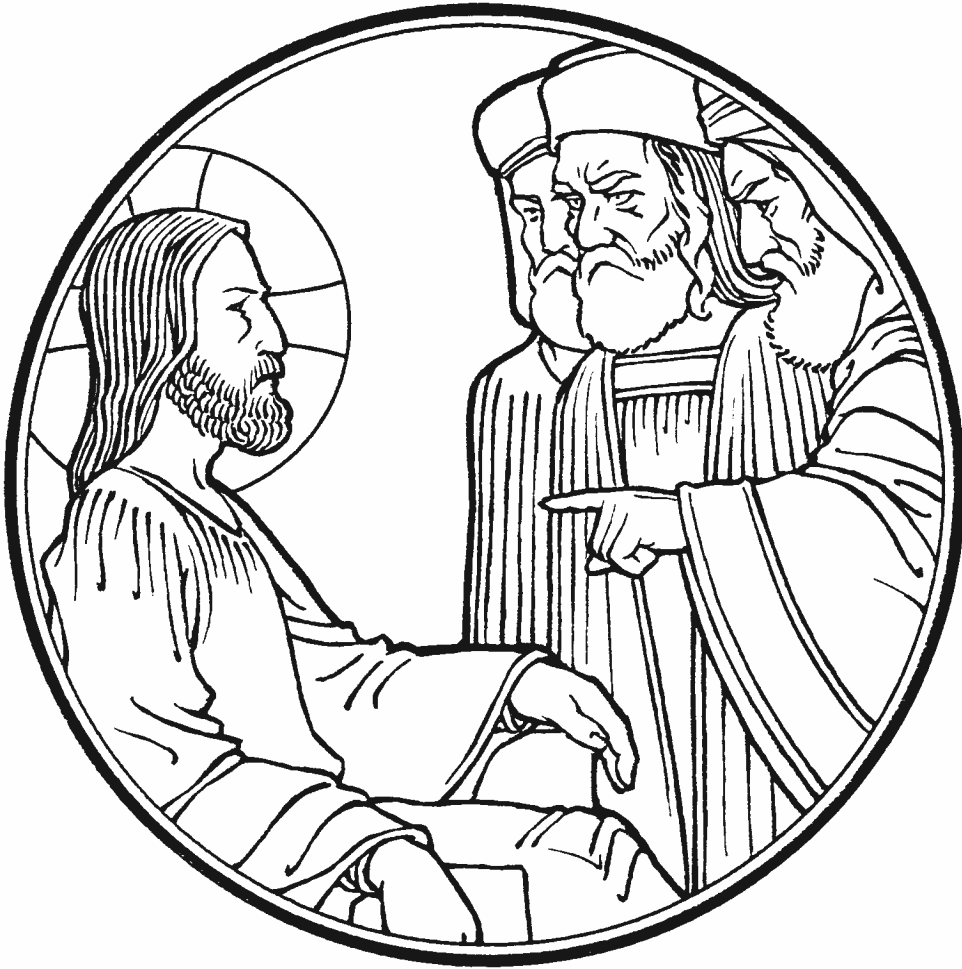


**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Pastor Erik Sorenson



September 27, 2020

Confession and Absolution

538 Praise Be to Christ

Hymn of Invocation



1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the
2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -
3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and
a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our
God-head shares; And yet our hu - man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,
world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,
man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and
Re - demp - tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born
Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.
from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.
sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

Invocation

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

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 147:1–5; antiphon: v. 6

The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

**Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

The LORD builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

**He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.

**Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.**

**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.**

The LORD lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.

Kyrie

LSB 204



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle

Philippians 2:1–18

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

The Authority of God

Installation of Sunday School Teachers

Prayer of the Church

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.

Concluding Collect

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

525 Crown Him with Many Crowns

Closing Hymn



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri-fied.
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

**Continue in the bulletin for weekly announcements and devotions.*

Announcements for the Week of September 27, 2020

This Week:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
9/27 9 AM – Divine Worship 10:15 AM – Adult Bible Study 11:30 – Youth Catechesis	9/28	9/29 2 PM-Online devotion	9/30 6:30 PM – Bible Study	10/1	10/2	10/3

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

9/27: Alberta Schafstall; Kevin & Michelle Schultz
 9/28: Jackson Nagel
 9/30: Sandra Phelps
 10/1: Cindy May
 10/2: Rick May
 10/3: Tina Trimpe

UPCOMING DATES:

10/8: Final Fish Fry Meeting @ 6:00 PM
 10/11: Quarterly Voters' Meeting
 10/13: Cookbook Meeting @ 6:30 PM
 10/18: Fish Fry, 4:00-7:00 PM

Church News & Info:

9/27 Altar Flowers:
 Curt & Jeni Acton

Candidates Needed:

We are in need of church members to run for election to fill the following position on our Church Board: President, Secretary, Synodical Treasurer, and Practical Services. Ideally, we are to have three candidates running for each spot. Please consider filling one of these needs in our church, and give your name to Rick Flohr.

Sunday School Teachers

If you are interested in helping to teach Sunday School, please talk to Kevin Schultz or Pastor as soon as possible. We have need for full-time teachers, part-time teachers, and substitutes. This is a great opportunity to serve your neighbors in Christ and to raise up the youngest generation of the Church in the fear and knowledge of the Lord!

Portals of Prayer

The October-December Portals of Prayer are available in the narthex of the church.

Community Events:

Drive-Thru Soup & Sandwich Meal

St. John Sauers Men's Club is having a drive-thru soup & sandwich meal on Sunday, October 4th, from 4pm-7pm. The menu includes: chili or /chicken soup, fish or hot dogs, and assorted drinks. A free-will offering will be taken.

Below you will find a model you can use for your personal or family devotions that focuses you on the readings from the previous Sunday, while also preparing you for what you will hear the following Sunday. In modeling your devotions this way, you and your family can stay united to the church year and reinforce what you hear, sing, and pray every Sunday.

- Mon. 9/28: Read the Old Testament lesson: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 – God desires the death of no one, so He sent Christ, who alone does what is just and right, in order to save us from death and give us life.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 655 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
Pray the Collect of the Day: Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Tues. 9/29: Read the Epistle lesson: Philippians 2:1-4 (5-13) 14-18 – As Christ humbled Himself by becoming man in order to save us, so too are we humbled as we look to the interest of others before our own interests.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 655 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/28)
- Wed. 9/30: Read the Gospel lesson: Matthew 21:23-27 (28-32) – Just as the baptism of John was from the Lord, so too Jesus has authority because He is the Lord.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 655 – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 9/28)
- Thur. 10/1: Read the Old Testament lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7 – The vineyard of this world yields only the wild grapes of sin. Thus, the Lord judges it through Christ in order to establish an eternal vineyard where the saints will dwell.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 544 – O Love, How Deep
Pray the Collect of the Day: Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
- Fri. 10/2: Read the Epistle lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14 – Knowing Christ and receiving His salvation is the greatest treasure we have. Everything else is counted as a loss as we press on with faith in Christ unto our resurrection from the dead.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 544 – O Love, How Deep
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 10/1)
- Sat. 10/3: Read the Gospel lesson: Matthew 21:33-46 – The Father sent His beloved Son, who the world should have respected, knowing they would kill Him. By His death, however, He has become the Cornerstone upon which His everlasting vineyard is built.
Sing the Hymn of the Day: LSB 544 – O Love, How Deep
Pray the Collect of the Day: (see 10/1)