



**St. Luke's  
Lutheran Church**



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

**Sunday, August 29, 2021 – 11:00 AM**

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Proper 17**

**(Series B)**

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, [office@stlukesmanhattan.org](mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org), or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

## **AS WE GATHER**

Today we consider what it means to be wise and understanding people of God. As we examine the words of encouragement from Moses to the Israelites in Deuteronomy 4, we will see that God's wise and understanding people are given God's Word and keep God's Word. God is near His people with His goodness and grace shown to us today in His Word and Sacraments.

## **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

Keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . . Keep them and do them. *Deuteronomy 4:2b, 6a*

## **PRELUDE**

*(Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.)*

# **✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Stand*

## **PRESERVICE SONG** - "Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down" Psalm 95:6-7

1, 3      Come, let us worship and bow down  
            Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker  
            Come, let us worship and bow down  
            Let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker

2, 4, 5      For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture  
                  And the sheep of His hand, just the sheep of His hand

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*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## **INVOCATION**

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

**C**      **Amen.**

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

**P**      Lord, the unfolding of Your words gives light.

**C**      **Your Word imparts understanding to the simple.**

**P**      Keep steady our steps according to Your promise,

**C**      **and let no iniquity gain dominion over us.**

**P**      Cast us not away from Your presence,

**C**      **and take not Your Holy Spirit from us.**

**P**      Restore to us the joy of Your salvation,

**C**      **and uphold us with a willing spirit.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**P**      Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **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** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, You inspired the prophets, evangelists, and apostles to write the words of the Scriptures. Help us to cherish Your words so that they might be to our benefit for wisdom and understanding; for You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

- P** God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.  
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- 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.**

*Sit*

## OPENING SONG – “All Because of Jesus”

- 1, 3      Giver of every breath I breathe  
Author of all eternity  
Giver of every perfect thing  
To You be the glory  
Maker of heaven and of Earth  
No one can comprehend Your worth  
King over all the universe  
To You be the glory  
I'm alive because I'm alive in You
- 2, 4, 6, 7    It's all because of Jesus I'm alive  
It's all because the blood of Jesus Christ  
Covers me and raised this dead man's life  
It's all because of Jesus I'm alive
- 5          Every sunrise sings Your praise  
The universe cries out Your praise  
I'm singing freedom all my days  
Now that I'm alive

(Casting Crowns CCLI #288089)

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9*

*(Moses' encouragement to the Israelites.)*

<sup>1</sup>“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. . . .

<sup>6</sup>Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’

<sup>7</sup>For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? <sup>8</sup>And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

<sup>9</sup>“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**

*Psalm 119:129-136; antiphon: v.132*

**L** <sup>132</sup>Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
**C** as is your way with those who love your name.

**L** <sup>129</sup>Your testimonies are wonderful;  
**C** therefore my soul keeps them.

**L** <sup>130</sup>The unfolding of your words gives light;  
**C** it imparts understanding to the simple.

**L** <sup>131</sup>I open my mouth and pant,  
**C** because I long for your commandments.

**L** <sup>132</sup>Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
**C** as is your way with those who love your name.

**L** <sup>133</sup>Keep steady my steps according to your promise,  
**C** and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

**L** <sup>134</sup>Redeem me from man's oppression,  
**C** that I may keep your precepts.

**L** <sup>135</sup>Make your face shine upon your servant,  
**C** and teach me your statutes.

**L** <sup>136</sup>My eyes shed streams of tears,  
**C** because people do not keep your law.

**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.

**L** <sup>132</sup>Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
**C** as is your way with those who love your name.



## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 6:10-20*

*(Put on the whole armor of God.)*

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup>praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup>and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*Matthew 5:8*

**P** Alleluia. Blessed are the pure in heart,

**C** **for they shall see God. Alleluia.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:14-23

*(What defiles a person?)*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

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

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, *“Hear me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.”* <sup>17</sup>And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, *“Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, <sup>19</sup>since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?”* (Thus he declared all foods clean.) <sup>20</sup>And he said, *“What comes out of a person is what defiles him. <sup>21</sup>For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup>coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Sit*

## LAMB'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## VOTUM

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** **Amen.**

## OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **Offering plates** are available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:  
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer** - Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE:** Mark 7:11 – “But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban” ’ (that is, given to God).” Each one of our vocations, in the home, in the church, and in society have a claim on our resources. The Pharisees thought that they could use the Kingdom of God as an excuse to shirk their duty to their parents. But they were wrong. Of course, doing it the other way around would also be wrong. God has called us to be supportive of our families, our churches, and our communities each in the proper proportion.

## POST SERMON SONG - “He is Our Peace” Ephesians 2:14-15

1, 3        He is our peace, who has broken down every wall  
              He is our peace, He is our peace  
              He is our peace, who has broken down every wall  
              He is our peace, He is our peace

2, 4, 5     Cast all your cares on Him, for He cares for you  
              He is our peace, He is our peace  
              Cast all your cares on Him, for He cares for you  
              He is our peace, He is our peace  
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*Stand*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all people who serve in various vocations, that they be given creativity, wisdom, understanding, discernment, and courage to follow where God is leading. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all those who celebrate good news of births and birthdays, anniversaries and Baptisms, success at work or school, and anything else that is worthy of praise, we thank You, Lord. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all those who mourn the death of loved ones, we pray for comfort in the face of grief, [*especially* . . .]. Help them to grasp firmly our hope in the resurrection and eternal life with You. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all those who govern in this nation and throughout the world, that they lead and serve according to God's wisdom rather than the wisdom of the world. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all pastors, teachers, church planters, missionaries, musicians, and servants in Your Church, that God's Word rules their lives and overflows into the lives of others. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**
- P** For all who fight the assaults of Satan, that they find strength and protection in the whole armor of God. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,  
**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**

**P** For all who are sick, injured, and recovering, [*especially . . .*], that God would grant them healing according to His good and gracious will. Lord Jesus Christ, my prayer attend,

**C** **and I will praise Thee without end.**

**P** Lord, we commend all these things to Your infinite wisdom and guidance, knowing that You hear us.

**C** **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## CONCLUDING COLLECT FOR THE CHURCH

**P** Let us pray.

O holy and most merciful God, You have taught us the way of Your commandments. We implore You to pour out Your grace into our hearts. Cause it to bear fruit in us that, being ever mindful of Your mercies and Your laws, we may always be directed to Your will and daily increase in love toward You and one another. Enable us to resist all evil and to live a godly life. Help us to follow the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and to walk in His steps until we shall possess the kingdom that has been prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## 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.

## CLOSING SONG - "I Walk by Faith" Hebrews 2:13

1, 3, 5 I walk by faith, each step by faith  
To live by faith, I put my trust in You  
I walk by faith, each step by faith  
To live by faith, I put my trust in You

2, 4 Every step I take is a step of faith  
No weapon formed against me shall prosper  
And every prayer I make is a prayer of faith  
If my God is for me who can be against me?

6 I put my trust in You, I put my trust in You  
I put my trust in You, I put my trust in You

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