

# St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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## **SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

(Series C)

### **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, <a href="mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org">office@stlukesmanhattan.org</a>, 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**

In 1535, Martin Luther was asked by Peter, his barber, for instruction on prayer. Luther wrote a little book explaining how he organizes his own prayers to God. He pointed to the Lord's Prayer as well as the Ten Commandments and the Apostles' Creed as ways to focus and form his prayers. The Bible is filled with people who prayed consistently—people like Abraham, Moses, Hannah, and David. In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches His disciples how to pray and shares two stories to emphasize the importance of bold, persistent prayer.

### **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will You then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? . . . And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake." *Genesis* 18:23–24, 26

## **PRELUDE**

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

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

## **WELCOME**

## PRESERVICE SONG - "Every Move I Make"

- 1, 4 Every move I make I make in You
  You make me move, Jesus
  Every breath I take I breathe in You
  Every step I take I take in You
  You are my way, Jesus
  Every breath I take I breathe in You
- 2, 5 Waves of mercy, waves of grace
  Everywhere I look I see Your face
  Your love has captured me
  Oh, my God, this love, how can it be?
- 3, 6 Na, na, na, na, na, na, na (Used with permission CCLI #288089)

#### Stand

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

#### INVOCATION

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **OPENING SENTENCES**

Psalm 50:1, 3-5, 14-15; John 15:7, 16; Romans 12:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

- Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
- The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Our God comes; He does not keep silence; before Him is a devouring fire, around Him a mighty tempest.

- P Jesus says, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you."
- He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that He may judge His people.
- The apostle Paul writes, "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer."
- God says, "Gather to Me My faithful ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice!"
- P Jesus said, "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you."
- "Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."
- Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- **P** Most merciful God,
- we call upon You because we are troubled by our sins—our sinful thoughts, words, and actions. We are equally troubled by those times when we have failed to act or speak up. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus, who delivered us through His perfect life, death, and resurrection so that we may glorify You with our lives.
- Our God hears our prayers for mercy and graciously forgives our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **LORD, HAVE MERCY**

- **P** Lord, have mercy,
- Christ, have mercy.

  Lord, have mercy.

## **SALUTATION**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, 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.
- 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 - "There is Power"**

- Where two or more are gathered in His name He is there For all who come, who run to Him in faith He is there
- 2, 4 There is power in the name of Jesus
- 6, 7 There is power, power in His name
  There is power in the name of Jesus
  There is power, power in His name
- 3 No fear, no lie can stand against us now
  He is here
  The Word has come to silence every doubt
  He is here
- One name, one name can save
  One name, breaks every chain
  One name, always
  One name, Jesus
  One name, one name remains
  One name, we will proclaim
  One name, always
  One name

(Abraham prays to God, asking for mercy.)

- The LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the Lord may bring to Abraham what He has promised him." Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to Me. And if not, I will know." So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD.
- Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will You then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from You to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?"
- And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."
- Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will You destroy the whole city for lack of five?"
- **I** And He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."
- Again he spoke to Him and said, "Suppose forty are found there."
- L He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it."
- Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there."

- L He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there."
- He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there."
- L He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it."
- Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there."
- L He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."
- And the LORD went His way, when He had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.
- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**PSALM** 

Psalm 138; antiphon: v. 3

- P <sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you answered me;
- my strength of soul you increased.
- P <sup>1</sup>I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
- before the gods I sing your praise;
- P <sup>2</sup>I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,
- for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.
- P <sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you answered me;
- my strength of soul you increased.
- <sup>4</sup>All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD,
- for they have heard the words of your mouth,

- P <sup>5</sup>and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
- for great is the glory of the LORD.
- For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly,
- but the haughty he knows from afar.
- Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;
- you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.
- P <sup>8</sup>The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;
- your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.
  Do not forsake the work of your hands.
- 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.
- On the day I called, you answered me;
- my strength of soul you increased.

**EPISTLE** Colossians 2:6-19

(Stay rooted in Christ to be able to stand firm in your faith.)

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,

<sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand

### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

Luke 11:9

- P Alleluia. I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find;
- knock, and it will be opened to you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 11:1-13

(Jesus teaches His disciples to pray.)

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.
- P Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." And He said to them, "When you pray, say:
- "Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation."

And He said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find;

knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

## LAMB'S MESSAGE

## **SERMON**

## **VOTUM**

- 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.

 Please **send** your offerings to St. Luke's Lutheran Church 4801 Anderson Avenue Manhattan, KS 66503

2. Electronic Funds Transfer

Sign up through the church office.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE**: "What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent?" A generous, giving spirit comes from knowing that you have a generous, giving Father. He will care for our needs. We are therefore free to reflect His generosity in our lives. We can be generous in raising our children, supporting the church and serving our neighbor in the community. In these three areas — home, church and society — the Lord has called us to show His grace and generosity to those around us.

## OFFERTORY - "You are My All in All" 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

- 1, 5 You are my strength when I am weak You are the Treasure that I seek You are my All in All Seeking You as a precious jewel Lord, to give up I'd be a fool You are my All in All
- 2, 4, 6 Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name
- Taking my sin, my cross, my shame
  Rising again I bless Your name
  You are my All in All
  When I fall down, You pick me up
  When I am dry, You fill my cup
  You are my All in All
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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P Brothers and sisters in Christ, I encourage you to lift your hearts to God and pray with me as Jesus has taught us and promises to hear us.
- Our Father in heaven,
- P Heavenly Father, mercifully hear the prayers of your people on behalf of our congregation, community, nation, and world.
- **C** Holy be Your name.
- P Holy Lord, we know Your name is holy. We ask that it be kept holy among us as we bear that name and live as Your people in this world.
- **C** Your Kingdom come.
- Lord Jesus, we thank You for planting Your Kingdom among us as You nourish us with Your body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. We eagerly anticipate the fullness of Your kingdom coming and ask that You continue to do Your good and gracious work in, through, and among us while we wait for Your return.
- Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
- P Heavenly Father, we know that it is Your will that all people come to the knowledge of the truth and are saved. Work Your will here on earth. Work through our governing authorities and their agents to bring Your will to all people.
- **C** Give us today our daily bread.
- Loving Father, we thank and praise You for providing everything we need for our bodies and lives. Prevent us from being selfish and greedy. As You generously bless us, lead us to be a blessing to others, especially those who are in need.
- Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

- P O Jesus, forgive and empower us to forgive others so that our relationships are ruled by Your peace. Create clean hearts within us so that we may approach You boldly, with confidence.
- Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
- P Almighty God, as we face trials and temptations, strengthen us by the power of Your Spirit so we can stand firm against the devil, the world, and our sinful nature. Watch over all we name before You this day. Deliver us from evil now and forever.
- For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

  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 PRAYER**

**P** Let us pray.

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.

#### **BENEDICTION**

C Amen.

#### **GREET ONE ANOTHER**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

## **CLOSING SONG –**

## LITTLE APPLE BARBERSHOP CHORUS

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