

St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Saturday, September 6, 2025 – 6:00 PM Sunday, September 7, 2025 – 8:30 AM

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Divine Service, Setting 1 (Page 151) (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, 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.

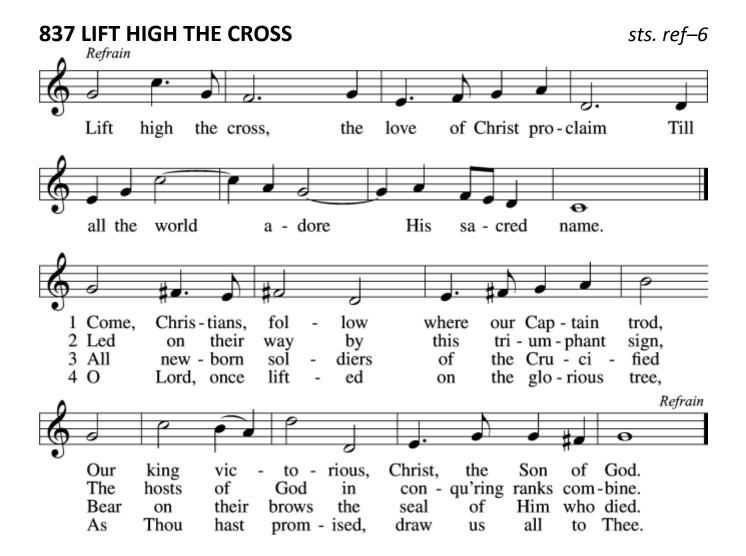
AS WE GATHER

Bette Davis once quipped that growing old isn't for sissies. Neither is the Christian life. To be a disciple of Christ requires both courage and strength. Thanks be to God that these are not qualities inherent in the person but the gift of God and the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer. The same Spirit who calls and gathers the elect also enlightens and sanctifies them in the one true faith. Through the resources of the Word and Sacraments, God is at work in us so that we may know the cost of discipleship, the scope of the battle before us, and the stakes as salt of the earth. He who calls us is faithful, and He will bring to completion all that He has begun in us.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. Luke 14:27

₩ PREPARATION



- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
 Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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Stand

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

INVOCATION LSB 151

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION *LSB* 151

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION LSB 151

- 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.

₩ Word **₩**

INTROIT

Psalm 119:28-32; antiphon: v. 27

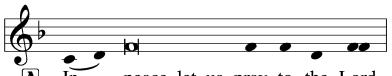


- L Make me understand the way of your | precepts,* and I will meditate on your | wondrous works.
- My soul melts away for | sorrow;*
 strengthen me according | to your word!
- Put false ways | far from me* and graciously teach | me your law!
- I have chosen the way of | faithfulness;*

 I set your just decrees be- | fore me.
- I cling to your testimonies, | O LORD;*

 let me not be | put to shame!
- I will run in the way of your com- | mandments* when you en- | large my heart!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- Make me understand the way of your | precepts,* and I will meditate on your | wondrous works.

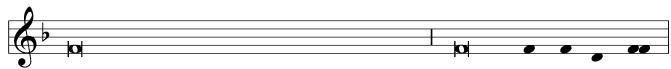
KYRIE LSB 152



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

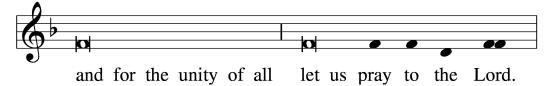


A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

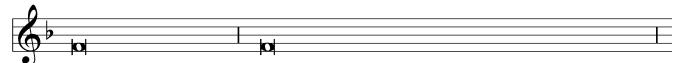




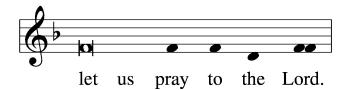
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



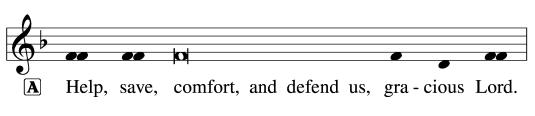




A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise







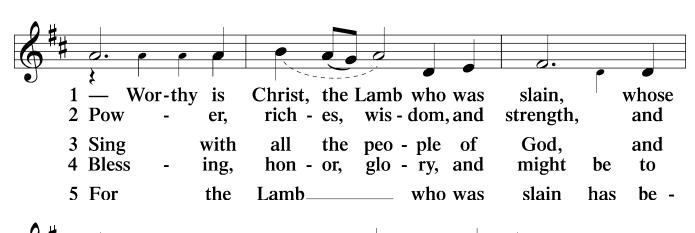


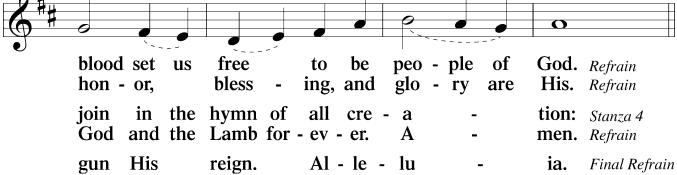
HYMN OF PRAISE – "THIS IS THE FEAST"

LSB 155













SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 156

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O almighty God, You have promised grace sufficient for us to hear the call of the Holy Spirit, believe in Him who You have sent to be our Savior, and walk in the way of salvation. Give courage and strength to Your people that we may deny ourselves and follow Christ in the way of the cross; through Him who died that we might live and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

(I have set before you this day life and good, death and evil.)

¹⁵"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

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

GRADUAL

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

- **P** Fear the LORD, you his saints,
- for those who fear him lack nothing!
- P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
- **C** but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE Philemon 1-21

(Paul's letter commending the slave Onesimus back to his master, not only as a slave but as a brother in the Lord.)

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ² and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and all the saints, ⁶and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹(Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹²I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own free will. ¹⁵For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 14:25-35

(Jesus speaks of the cost of discipleship and calls on those who would follow Him to deny themselves and take up the cross.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.



²⁵Now great crowds accompanied [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶"If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it?

²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' ³¹Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. ³³So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

³⁴"Salt is good, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? ³⁵It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

856 O CHRIST, WHO CALLED THE TWELVE



- 1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol low You, For -
- 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a ges sealed, Whose
- 3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A mong the des o late And
- 4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev er trod To
- 5 O Christ, th'a pos-tles' Lord, The mar tyrs' strength and song, The



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new: words and works a - wak-ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed: broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate: serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro-claim The near - er reign of God: cru - ci - fied and ris - en King To whom the saints be - long:



Grant us to hear Your call In - struct us now, we pray, Lead us a - long the ways Send us on ways where faith Though gen - er - a - tions pass,

To risk se - cu - ri - ty And, By Your em-pow'r-ing Word. True Where hope has near - ly died And Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where Our trib - ute still we bring, Our



will to You, Find bound in heart and per - fect lib - er - ty. teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord. help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied. love in-forms and hope sus-tains Both life and min-is - try. hymns a lives sac - ri - fice of praise, Our an of - fer - ing.

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SERMON

VOTUM

- The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Stand

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead.

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life
→ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ and for all people according to their needs.

That we walk with Christ the heavenly way and follow Him where He has led, that by His obedient life, His life-giving death, and His victorious resurrection we receive the crown of everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- That we be wise unto salvation, counting the cost of following Jesus, and by His grace and favor be sustained upon the path of life against all temptations and doubt, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That all the nations and their leaders work for peace, that the elected and appointed leaders of our own land act with integrity in the protection of our liberty and in the pursuit of justice, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- That the Lord bless the proclamation of His Word here and in every place and that pastors serve us faithfully in Christ's name, distributing to us the gifts of His grace in the Holy Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That all those afflicted in body or mind find healing and relief and those near death and the grieving find comfort, [especially . . .], and for all whom we name in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That we learn gratitude for the manifold and rich gifts which God supplies every day and that we learn generosity to share with those in need, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P That we receive in repentance and with faith the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given to us in this Holy Communion and that we manifest the unity of heart and mind in all the doctrines taught us by His Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- That we be kept holy and blameless until the day of Christ's coming and be received by the mercy of God into the place of everlasting light and life in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

Silence for meditation.

- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Sit

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

- 1. 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: Luke 14:33 – "So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple." None of what we have is ours. It all belongs to God. That is the foundation of Christian stewardship. What we have been given is to be used for God's purposes according to our callings in home, Church, and society. As we learn to live generously in these callings, we renounce our ownership of our wealth. It's not "ours," it's His. God owns everything, and we manage it for the furtherance of His goals.

Stand

₩ SACRAMENT

PREFACE LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P Holy and mighty Lord, in Your mercy You created all things and still preserve them, and by Your will and purpose You sent forth Your Son, born of the virgin by the power of the Holy Spirit, to rescue and redeem us from the sin and death we chose. As He has fulfilled Your holy purpose and won for You a holy people, grant that we may here receive with faith the fruits of His redeeming work and in this Holy Communion be fed and nourished to everlasting life in Christ.
- C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LSB 162

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;

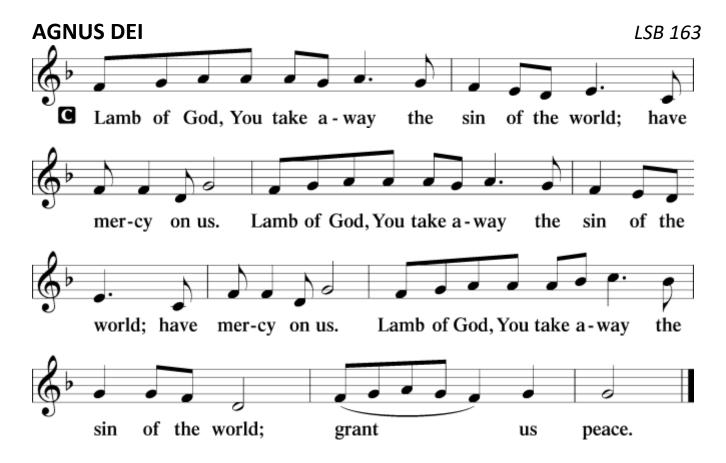
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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

PAX DOMINI LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, s He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

707 OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my 2 Or der my foot-steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin-cere;
- 3 As sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict er watch to keep;
- 4 Make me to walk in Thy com-mands—'Tis a de-light-ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will! Let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, But keep my con-science clear. And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re-store Thy wan-d'ring sheep. Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a-gainst my God.

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427 IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY



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685 LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS



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631 HERE, O MY LORD, I SEE THEE FACE TO FACE

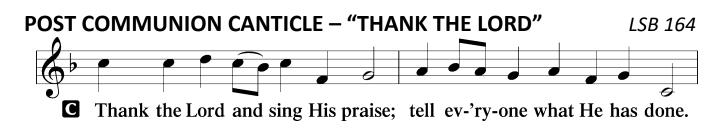


5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.

- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
 The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
 The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
 Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above, Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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Stand





Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION LSB 166

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.



GREET ONE ANOTHER

Please Greet One Another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you", or "The peace of the Lord be with you" or, "The Lord be with you".

918 GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT REDEEMER



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