

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 5, 2025

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OUR PURPOSE FOR EXISTENCE: "To lead those whom the Lord leads to us to a personal relationship with Christ and to growth in Christlikeness."

#### THIS WEEK AT CALVARY:

#### **Today**

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Kitchen Update Committee 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (HC) Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall after Worship

#### **Tuesday**

Second Time Around 5:30 p.m. Bd. of ED/SS 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

#### **Wednesday**

9:30 a.m. Men's Group 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at Zion

#### **Thursday**

9:30 a.m. LWML-Calvary 11:00 a.m.BD of Elders 7:00 p.m. LWML -Zion

#### <u>Sunday</u>

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Worship Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall after Worship

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**ORGANIST:** Laurie Siegmund

**ELDERS:** Larry Barzyk, Bob Foster and Jim Manthei

**THANK YOU** to Rev. Arthur Callies for sharing God's Word with us today.

**PRAYER CHAIN**: We are a part of Calvary's extended family who want to give support in prayer to those who are ill, hospitalized, or in need. Please call Sherry at (920) 807- 9336

## THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 5, 2025

**AS WE GATHER:** This is a difficult day for your pastor. For you are, in a sense, listening in to our Lord speaking to him of His high expectations as His called and ordained servant. It all has to do with addressing his sins with the cutting accusation of God's Law, but with the goal of applying the



comforting healing and hope of God's Gospel forgiveness and strength. Yet, if you listen carefully, you will discover that it's not only about your pastor's frailty or sins, but it is also Christ addressing your sins and need through him. The pastor's calling is, at once, a most difficult one but also the most joyous and fulfilling calling and vocation. Your pastor has the responsibility and obligation not to mislead you into sin but to apply the remedy for it. Preaching and teaching the Word of Christ, and administering that Word of forgiveness of sin and new life through the Sacraments, is not primarily the pastor's work but is indeed the work of Christ Himself. The pastor pours baptismal water, and the believer dies and is raised with Christ. The pastor does no magical incantation, but Christ speaks through him. The bread and wine are Christ's body and blood for you that takes away your sin (and the pastor's!), imparting forgiveness and eternal life. Pray for your pastor, as he prays for you. Forgive your pastor, as he lives by the same forgiveness he declares to you.

Please fill in the worship registration cards found in the pews and pass them to the center aisle. Our ushers will pick them up during the sermon hymn. Thank you!

#### PRESERVICE MUSIC / WORSHIP PREPARATION

## WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS / SHARING OF THE PEACE

#### **PREPARATION**

HYMN: "LORD JESUS CHRIST BE PRESENT NOW"
LSB #902

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Stand

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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

#### **EXHORTATION**

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.

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

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

#### **PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

#### **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

#### INTROIT Psalm 119

P I hope for your salvation, O Lord, and I do your commandments.

C I rejoice at your word like one who finds great spoil.

P Seven times a day I praise you for your just and righteous decrees.

C Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.

P My soul keeps your testimonies; I love them exceedingly.

# 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.

P I hope for your salvation, O Lord, and I do your commandments.



#### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

#### C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

Sit

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Habakkuk 1:1-4:

2:1-4

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. <sup>2</sup>O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? <sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. <sup>4</sup>So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted. <sup>1</sup>I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup>And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it.

<sup>3</sup>For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. <sup>4</sup>"Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** 2 Timothy 1:1–14

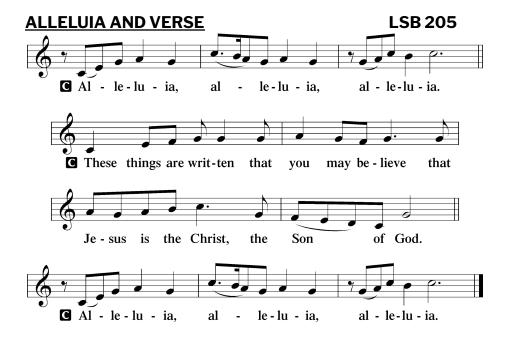
<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. 3I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. 5I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now. I am sure, dwells in you as well. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <sup>7</sup>for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. 8Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, 9who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10 and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, <sup>11</sup> for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, <sup>12</sup>which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I

know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. <sup>13</sup>Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God.

#### Stand



#### **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 17:1-10

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

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

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! 2It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. 3Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, <sup>4</sup>and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him." 5The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you<sup>7</sup>"Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? 8Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty."

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 T everlasting. Amen.

Sit

## **HYMN:** "WE WALK BY FAITH AND NOT BY SIGHT" LSB #720

#### **SERMON**

Stand

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who bear witness to Christ, that God who has given them a spirit not of fear, but of power and self-control would bless them with winsomeness and wisdom to speak His Word in faith and love to all who will hear, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For pastors, whom God has called to a holy calling, that He would embolden them in their testimony concerning our Lord Jesus and strengthen them by His power to suffer courageously for the Gospel and

guard the good deposit entrusted to them, let us pray to the Lord:

- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all Christian homes, that husbands and wives may love and forgive each other, that parents may be faithful examples to their children, and that orphans may know the joy of a home, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For those who exercise authority over us, who order us according to our laws, who execute justice and who defend us against our enemies: our president; Congress; governor; legislature; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who are suffering from the effects of sin in their bodies or minds, [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_,] that the Lord would grant them faith, perseverance and, if it is for their good, healing even in their times of trouble, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For strengthened faith through God's Word and hearts prepared to faithfully receive the divine gift, which brings the immortal body and blood of Jesus to our very lips, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For strength against temptation, that God would guard our steps, that in our weakness or in our liberty we do not cause others to sin, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Almighty and everlasting God, deliver us from temptation and the powers of evil, that we may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Whether we live or die, we belong to You. Comfort us with this promise, that we may join the company of the saints on Your appointed day and enter into the heavenly places to worship at Your throne on high; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

#### C Amen.

Sit

#### **GENEROSITY THOUGHT**

P Luke 17:10 – "So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty." We can never put God in our debt. Even if we lived in perfect compliance with the Law, we would still only be unworthy servants. Our giving to the Lord's work in the church is a sign that we recognize our role as servants. Furthermore, we give because we recognize our own need for that work of the Lord in the church. And what a blessing it is to give to the church so that the ministry of His Word and Sacraments may reach all in our community.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

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#### **PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

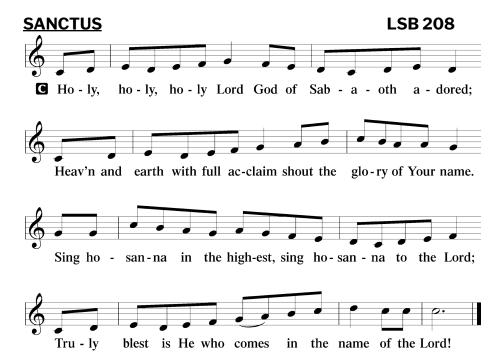
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



#### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for

You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the

fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

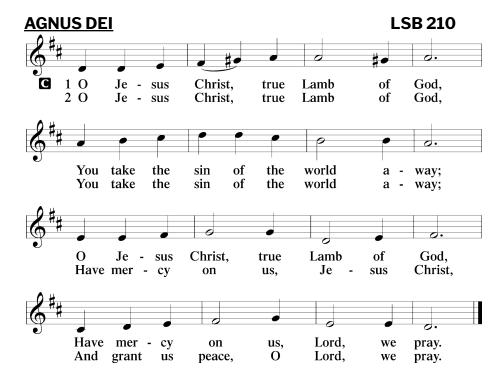
#### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it T 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 T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



#### Sit

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

"ONCE HE CAME IN BLESSING" LSB # 333
"BY GRACE I'M SAVED" L # 566

**LSB** 

#### Stand

#### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have

given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve 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.

#### **BENEDICAMUS**

P 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 T give you peace.

C Amen.

## <u>HYMN:</u> "CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER" LSB #725

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#### **GOD'S POWER AMONG US**

Sunday, September 21 – 53 – Communed - 51 Sunday, September 28 -45 Thursday Bible Class – 12

#### **THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**

GREETERS: 10:00 a.m.: Jan & Larry Barzyk

NEXT WEEK GREETERS: 10:00 a.m.: Carol & Norm Custer,

Janet Cox

<u>USHERS:</u> TEAM #2 Bob Grams (capt.), Bob Frandy, Blake Metoxen, Baylee Metoxen, Marc Metoxen

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#### FINANCIAL FIGURES FROM LAST WEEK:

Sunday, September 21- \$3030.46 including VANCO (General Fund), \$30 (Furnace Fund), \$44.56 LCEF

Sunday, September 28-\$2245.70 including VANCO (General Fund), \$5000 (Sound System)

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY –** 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Classes will continue every Sunday if enough people are interested. Please take advantage of this additional opportunity to learn about the Scriptures.

**LWML ZONE 13 FALL RALLY:** Will be held on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wautoma. Donna Weiss will be leading a Bible study titled "I am the Heart of LWML". Gifts from the Heart Ingathering items are listed on the bulletin board. Registration is from 9-9:30a.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

**SAVE THE DATE! -October 12 –** Annual budget meeting after worship services. **October 26 –** Annual meeting with dinner after worship services.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

October 7- Board of ED/SS – 5:30 p.m.

October 9 – LWML Calvary- 9:30 a.m.

Board of Elders – 11:00 a.m.

October 12: Budget Review meeting after 10:00am Worship

October 18- LWML Fall Rally- 9:00 a.m. -Wautoma

October 24: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. Trick or Treat on Water Street

### October 26: After 10:00am Worship Annual Meeting/Dinner

