

17th Sunday after Pentecost
LWML Sunday – Pursuing Godly Living
October 2, 2022
8:00 am



*For Us
and With Us*

Romans 8:31-39

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

AS WE GATHER

We remember and celebrate the LWML today. Our Bible Reading of the Day is 2 Peter 1:2-11. The apostle Peter wrote his first epistle about the joy available to Christ followers even in the context of trials and persecution. He sent his second epistle to give believers instructions on how to live out their Christian identity. Here Peter described how God works powerfully in His people, so much so that He chooses not only to save but also equip Christians to live godly lives that glorify Him. We will see how being a Christian requires that we not only “talk the talk” but also “walk the walk” of our faith. As we talk and walk, we confirm God’s grace at work within us and His calling on our lives manifested through us. Because Christ’s righteousness has been credited to us, we strive to live in heartfelt obedience to God in order to demonstrate to those around us the reality of our changed lives in Christ.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: (Tune: LSB 527)

“With Joy We Come Together”

Text: Jean Hansen Kammerer

With joy we come together, Our hearts of one accord,
Rejoicing in the blessings Of serving You, O Lord.
The gifts that You have given Make us a mighty throng.
With thankfulness we raise up Our praise to You in song.

We celebrate the women, Who’ve served You through the years,
Sustaining one another Through vict’ry, trials, and fears.
We follow now their service, Devoted, Christ, to You.
No matter what Your errand, We’ll strive to follow through.

Through ministries supported, We've seen Your love outpoured.
With mites that You've provided,
We've learned to trust You, Lord.
Our many hands have served You, Yet much is left undone.
Your mission must continue In reaching everyone.

Lord, with Your love and guidance, We'll serve You faithfully.
Wherever You should lead us, We'll follow willingly.
May we be bold in witness So others see Your grace.
That we may one day worship Together face to face.

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Friends in Christ: Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins and ask Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: He made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

People: Then He forgave the guilt of my sin.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess to You that by nature we are sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and plead for Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Most merciful God, You have given Your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By Your Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of You and Your will, and make us obedient to Your word, so that by Your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: 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.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

LWML PLEDGE

Pastor: Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

People: In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;

Pastor: God has entrusted to His people the task of teaching all nations. We thank Him for the many years He has blessed the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League.

People: and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.

Pastor: That the joyous truth of the Gospel may be known in every generation;

People: We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life,

Pastor: We are mindful of the shortness of time and uncertainties of life. Preserve our faithfulness and strengthen us for service in our communities and throughout the world.

People: to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen!

KYRIE

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

People (sing): Lord, have mercy.

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

People (sing): Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

People (sing): Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People (sing): Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

People (sing): Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE: (Tune: LSB 803)

Look, the Table's spread before us, Foretaste of the feast to come.

Christ, the Lamb of God, victorious, Has for us salvation won!

Join the hymn of all creation, By His blood we are set free.

Saints of ev'ry tribe and nation, Celebrate His jubilee!

Power, riches, honor, glory, Be to God and to the Lamb.

His the vict'ry, His the story, Praise and thank the Great I AM.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Bless the Lord of earth and heav'n.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Life restored and sins forgiven!

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray together.

All: Almighty and merciful God, it is Your gift that Your faithful people serve you well. Help us to run without stumbling and reach what You have promised. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

TIME IN THE WORD

Children's Bible Reading: Page 270

Reading of the Day: 2 Peter 1:2-11

Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY: LSB 551

When to Our World the Savior Came

- 1 When to our world the Savior came
The sick and helpless heard His name,
And in their weakness longed to see
The healing Christ of Galilee.
- 2 That good physician! Night and day
The people thronged about His way;
And wonder ran from soul to soul,
“The touch of Christ has made us whole!”
- 3 His praises then were heard and sung
By opened ears and loosened tongue,
While lightened eyes could see and know
The healing Christ of long ago.
- 4 Of long ago: yet living still,
Who died for us on Calv’ry’s hill;
Who triumphed over cross and grave,
His healing hands stretched forth to save.
- 5 His sov’ reign purpose still remains
Who rose in pow’r, and lives and reigns;
Till ev’ry tongue confess His praise,
The healing Christ of all our days.

THE SERMON

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 on 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.

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

DEDICATION | PRAYER for BRIGHTER TRANSITIONS

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary.....evermore
praising you and singing:

**People (sing): Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

People (sing): Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

CHOIR ANTHEM: “This Do In Remembrance of Me”

COMMUNION HYMN: LSB 617 O Lord, We Praise Thee

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee,
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish
Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy
May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary,
That our sins and sorrows did carry,
And Thy blood for us plead
In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

- 2 Thy holy body into death was given,
Life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;
May this feast thereof remind us!
O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
That Thy blood should bless and sustain me.
All our debt Thou hast paid;
Peace with God once more is made:
O Lord, have mercy!

- 3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor
That we follow Christ our Savior
And live together here in love and union
Nor despise this blest Communion!
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see
Days of peace and unity:
O Lord, have mercy!

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COMMUNION HYMN: LSB 628 Your Table I Approach
(verses 1-4)

- 1 Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart
Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord,
In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be.

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DISMISSAL and PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: Tune: LSB 662

“Serve the Lord With Gladness”

- 1 “Serve the Lord with gladness!” It is He alone
Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own
To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace,
Will at last in glory Meet us face to face.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name.

- 2 “Serve the Lord with gladness!” He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel Now in every land
So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name!

- 3 “Serve the Lord with gladness!” There’s no greater joy
Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!” Glorify His name!

- Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY: Chez Shoup

SEND OFF

Pastor: At Zion we are committed to reaching out, strengthening the saved,

All: and serving Jesus Christ by serving others!