

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Remember Where You Are Going

September 2-3, 2017

### AS WE GATHER

Remember where you're going. Of course, memory deals mainly with things in the past—where we've been already. Rarely are we told to remember something that has not happened yet, except when it comes to remembering plans for the future and our goals. Sometimes we lose sight of where we're going or what we are trying to accomplish. So occasionally we need to be stopped and reminded. When Jesus began to show His disciples His goal of suffering, death, and resurrection in Jerusalem, it went against every hope, expectation, and dream of His disciple Peter. "Far be it from You, Lord!" So we, too, need to be reminded that the Christian faith and life is not really about our successful living or glorious past. Our faith is about Jesus' cross and call to a blessed future. It is about daily repentance all along the way in good times as well as in evil times. It is all about repentance, taking up the cross and following Jesus wherever He leads. We may wonder at times whether He has forgotten us or wonder if He is still leading us, but we have His promise that we will see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.

### ✠ PREPARATION ✠

HYMN

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

LSB 905

*(Please Stand)*

### INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

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

**C** Amen.

**P** O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house

*Psalm 26:2, 8*

**C** and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

**C** test my heart and my mind.

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** 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.

✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT

*Psalm 37:5-7; antiphon: Psalm 37:4*

**P** Delight yourself in the LORD,  
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

**C** Commit your way to the LORD;  
trust in him, and he will act.

**P** He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,  
and your justice as the noonday.

**C** Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;  
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,  
over the man who carries out evil devices!

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** Delight yourself in the LORD,  
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

KYRIE

*LSB 152-153*

**P** ♪ *In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C** ♪ *Lord, have mercy.*

**P** ♪ *For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

**C** ♪ *Lord, have mercy.*

**P** ♪ *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.*

**C** ♪ *Lord, have mercy.*

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

**C** ♪ *Lord, have mercy.*

**P** ♪ *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

**C** ♪ *Amen.*

♪ (Refrain) ***This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

***Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God. (Refrain)***

***Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,  
and honor, blessing, and glory are His. (Refrain)***

***Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all  
creation:***

***Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever.  
Amen. (Refrain)***

***For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.  
(Refrain)***

#### SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** ♪ *The Lord be with you.*

**C** ♪ ***And also with you.***

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption.

**C** **Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads;**

**P** through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*(Please Sit)*

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 15:15-21

*(Jeremiah's complaint)*

O Lord, you know;  
remember me and visit me,  
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.  
In your forbearance take me not away;  
know that for your sake I bear reproach.  
Your words were found, and I ate them,  
and your words became to me a joy  
and the delight of my heart,  
for I am called by your name,  
O Lord, God of hosts.  
I did not sit in the company of revelers,

nor did I rejoice;  
I sat alone, because your hand was upon me,  
for you had filled me with indignation.  
Why is my pain unceasing,  
my wound incurable,  
refusing to be healed?  
Will you be to me like a deceitful brook,  
like waters that fail?  
Therefore thus says the Lord:  
“If you return, I will restore you,  
and you shall stand before me.  
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,  
you shall be as my mouth.  
They shall turn to you,  
but you shall not turn to them.  
And I will make you to this people  
a fortified wall of bronze;  
they will fight against you,  
but they shall not prevail over you,  
for I am with you  
to save you and deliver you, declares the Lord.  
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,  
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.”

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

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

#### GRADUAL

*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

**P** Fear the LORD, you His saints,  
for those who fear Him lack nothing!

**C** **Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

#### EPISTLE

*(Marks of the true Christian)*

*Romans 12:9-21*

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is

honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

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

*(Please Stand)* **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

LSB 156

**C** *Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?*

*You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 16:21-28*

*(Take up your cross and follow Jesus.)*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

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

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

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

*(Please Sit)* **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake*

LSB 688

**SERMON**

*"What's On Your Mind?"*

Matthew 16:23-24

*(Please Stand)*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

(Saturday)

*The 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 ☩ everlasting. Amen.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

(Sunday)

*Nicene Creed*

**C** 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**

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

Lord God, we give You thanks and praise for Your whole creation but especially for Your grace by which You invite all sinners into Your saving presence through the cross and resurrection of Your Son. Give us all the power to turn in true repentance of our sin to receive Your glorious promised forgiveness and gift of eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lead all whom You have called to shepherd Your people in Your Holy Church that they may faithfully preach the Word of the cross of Christ and proclaim His salvation to the joy and salvation of the souls of many. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lead those called to serve us through positions of leadership in the government in order that we may live peaceably with all. Direct their words and ways to perform justice in punishing evil and praising good, especially in the defense of the most helpless among us. Bless all industry and those who work, through whom You give us what we need for this body and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Comfort and bring peace, patience, and healing to all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . .*]. Give steady faith and confidence to those for whom death draws near. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Bless the schools of the Church and all colleges, universities, and centers of learning, and those who teach and work in them. Grant Your wisdom in such measure that people may serve You honorably in church and state,

and that our lives may be conformed to the ways of Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

*Individual petitions may be added here.*

**P** We give You thanks for all who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for all the saints through the ages, and especially our loved ones who now dwell in Your nearer presence and rest from their labors. [*Silence for remembrance.*] Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

*(Please Sit)* **OFFERING**

*While we worship the Lord with our offerings, please write your name(s) in the fellowship registers, indicating the date and time of the service you are attending. To help us serve you more effectively, please use the blanks provided to indicate a change in mailing address, phone numbers (home, work, cell, fax) or e-mail address(es). Please tear out the sheets with names on them and let them stick out of the top of the folder so that the ushers can collect them. Thank you!*

*(Please Stand)* **OFFERTORY**

LSB 159-160

**P** ♪ ***What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation  
and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord  
now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.***

*Saturday Worship Continues on Page 10 with the The Lord's Prayer.*

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

*[Colossians 3:1]*

**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## PROPER PREFACE

**P** 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 161

**C** ♪ *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna, hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessèd is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;  
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**P** 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. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

**C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.** *Revelation 22:20*

**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:

### LORD'S PRAYER

*(Matthew 6:9-13)*

**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.**

*Saturday Worship continues on Page 11 with the Benediction.*

### PAX DOMINI

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** **Amen.**

### AGNUS DEI

*LSB 163*

**C** **♪ 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.**

*(Please Sit)*


### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*O Lord, We Praise Thee* *LSB 617*  
*Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord* *LSB 637*

*(Please Stand)*

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE     *Thank the Lord*

LSB 164

**C**  *Thank the Lord and sing His praise;  
tell ev'ryone what He has done.*

*Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

**P** 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.

**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.**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**HYMN**

*Fight the Good Fight*

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