

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Increased Faith Increases Duty



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Welcome to Worship

Thank you for joining us for worship today! We are honored that you are with us. We pray that the Word of God you hear will strengthen your faith and increase your love for the Lord! Please fill out a "Welcome to Worship" card (found in the hymnal racks) and place it in an offering plate, located near the sanctuary doors, as you leave worship. If you are a guest, know that we are thankful you have joined us and hope that you will join us again soon.

Prepare for Worship

To prepare for worship, read through the service focus and the Scripture readings. Ponder the words of the Psalm of the Day. Spend time in prayer, using the prayers on the inside cover of the hymnal or on pages 255-258. For those intending to receive the Lord's Supper, read through the "Christian Questions" on pages 295-296. Consider reading through portions of the Small Catechism on pages 286-293.

Today's Focus for Worship – Increased Faith Increases Duty

As our faith grows, there are obvious benefits: the comfort of knowing you are a redeemed and loved child of God, the peace of knowing your eternity is secure. However, increased faith also increases duty. There are ever more opportunities for service. This week, Jesus has sharp words for those who want the benefits of being Christian but would shirk those responsibilities. He helps us see that while increased faith increases duty, increased duty increases delight. The believer knows he serves the One who came to serve us first.

Serving at Worship

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Service of Word and Prayer



Opening Hymn

My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone (Psalm 62) | 818

8:00 and Monday: Please stand to sing the final stanza.

10:30: The choir sings the stanzas. The congregation joins to sing the refrains.

10:30: Please remain seated for the hymn.

Responsory

I rejoiced with those who said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Psalm 122:1

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!
**Blessed are those who dwell in your house;
they are ever praising you.**

Psalm 84:1, 4

The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth

Psalm 145:18

Teach me, Lord, the way of your decrees,
that I may follow it to the end.

Psalm 119:33

Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path.

Psalm 119:105

Faith comes from hearing the message,
and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

Romans 10:17

Doxology

Glory Be to the Father | 273 (CW 1993)

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and
ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

1 Chronicles 29:1-2, 10-18

¹Then King David said to the whole assembly: “My son Solomon, the one whom God has chosen, is young and inexperienced. The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the LORD God. ²With all my resources I have provided for the temple of my God—gold for the gold work, silver for the silver, bronze for the bronze, iron for the iron and wood for the wood, as well as onyx for the settings, turquoise, stones of various colors, and all kinds of fine stone and marble—all of these in large quantities.

¹⁰David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, “Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. ¹¹Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in

heaven and earth is yours. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

¹²Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. ¹³Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

¹⁴“But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

¹⁵We are foreigners and strangers in your sight, as were all our ancestors. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. ¹⁶LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you.

¹⁷I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things I have given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you. ¹⁸LORD, the God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Israel, keep these desires and thoughts in the hearts of your people forever, and keep their hearts loyal to you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

In God Alone My Soul Can Find Rest and Peace | 62-A

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12

¹Paul, Silas and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

²Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

⁴Therefore, among God’s churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring.

⁵All this is evidence that God’s judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering.

¹¹With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith. ¹²We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Chronicles 29:14

Alleluia! Who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Alleluia!



Gospel

Luke 17:1-10

The Holy Gospel is written in St. Luke chapter seventeen.



¹Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. ²It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble. ³So watch yourselves.

"If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them. ⁴Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying 'I repent,' you must forgive them."

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"

⁶He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you.

⁷"Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down to eat'? ⁸Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? ⁹Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do?

¹⁰So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly | 748

Sermon

Luke 17:1-10

Lord, Increase Our Faith!

Stand

Hymn Response

Create in Me a Clean Heart | 942



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your



pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -



store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,



Apostles' Creed *Credo*

Matthew 16:15; Luke 12:8; 2 Corinthians 4:13

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

Be seated

Offering

2 Corinthians 9:7

Offerings given in thanks to the Lord are brought to the Lord's altar. We ask all worshipers to fill out a "Welcome to Worship" card (found in the hymnal racks) and place it in the offering plates at the sanctuary doors following the service.

Hymn

I Know My Faith Is Founded | 797

Prayer of the Church

Psalms 143:1; Timothy 2:1-4

Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy;
in your faithfulness and righteousness, come to my relief.

Spare us, Lord, from the lies of the devil and the attacks of our conscience. Comfort and save us in your patient compassion.

Have mercy on us, Jesus.

Guide us, Lord, to the wisdom of your Word and the power of your promises. Take away our confusion and doubt.

Have mercy on us, Jesus.

Hear us, Lord, when we come to you in prayer. Make us confident to take you at your word and to follow you in faith.

Have mercy on us, Jesus.

Empower us, Lord, to walk in your ways and live in your truth. Fill us with your love, that we may love you and one another.

Have mercy on us, Jesus.

Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified. Receive our prayers for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocations and ministries they may truly serve and honor you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer *Pater Noster*

Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimitis*

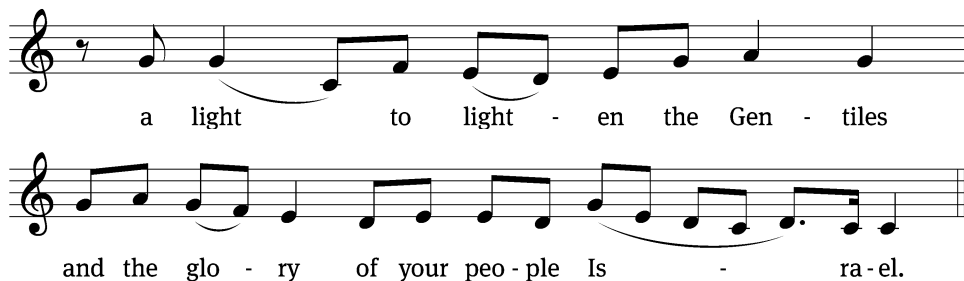
Lord, Now You Let Your Servant | 951

Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac -

cord - ing to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation,

which you have pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

The musical notation is written on three staves in G-clef (treble clef). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of text. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and a final half note. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.



Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness, keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Blessing

Numbers 6:24

The almighty and merciful Lord—the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit—bless us and keep us.



Closing Hymn

I'll Not Be Shaken | Psalm 62-D



1 For God a - lone I wait in si - lence.
2 Put not your hope in gain of rich - es;
3 Pour out your heart to God our ref - uge



My soul is still be-fore the Lord. He is my rock
seek not your rest in emp - ty wealth. The rich are weak;
and trust in him to hear your cry. No oth - er hope



and my sal - va - tion, my for - tress strong; I trust in him.
the poor are might - y who turn to God a - lone for help.
will nev - er fail you, no oth - er love will not run dry.

Refrain



I'll not be shak - en, I'll not be shak - en, for all my



hope is in his love. From God a - lone comes my sal -



va - tion; I'll wait and trust his stead-fast love.



love; I'll wait and trust his stead-fast love.

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