



Our Savior  
Lutheran Church  
Newton, Iowa

*The Seventeenth Sunday  
after Pentecost  
September 27, 2020*

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Attendance: 9/13/20: 28 9/16/20: 13

WELCOME TO ALL guests and visitors this morning! It is great to have you here with us to receive the gifts of God in this place. Please fill out a communion card located in the pew, and also give us the honor of signing the guest book so we can send you a welcome card. Please do come again!

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**COMMUNION:** The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with the Pastor.

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THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

<b>Celebrant:</b>	Pastor Daniel Provost
<b>Usher:</b>	9/23 n/a
	9/27 Bob Bringolf
<b>Elders:</b>	9/23 Ron Dlouhy
	9/27 Doug Woebbeking
<b>Media:</b>	Julie, Deanna, Doug & Amanda

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# THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 27, 2020 - DS4

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *(p. 203)*

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

**C** Amen.

**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.

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

**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.

### INTROIT *Psalm 147:1-5; antiphon: v. 6*

The LORD lifts up the humble;

**he casts the wicked to the ground.**

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God;

**for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.**

The LORD builds up Jerusalem;

**he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

He heals the brokenhearted

**and binds up their wounds.**

He determines the number of the stars;

**he gives to all of them their names.**

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

**his understanding is beyond measure.**

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.**

The LORD lifts up the humble;

**he casts the wicked to the ground.**

**KYRIE** (*p. 204*) 

**C** Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY** (*p. 205*)

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Ezekiel 18:1–4, 25–32*

The word of the LORD came to me: “What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. . . .

“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE READING** *Philippians 2:1-18*

If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others

more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Do all things without grumbling or questioning, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** (p. 205) 

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C** These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Matthew 21:25–32*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-first chapter.

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

When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus answered them, “I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?” And they discussed it among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said

to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ And he answered, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.”

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

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

**NICENE CREED** (*p. 206*)

**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.**

## SERMON HYMN

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

**LSB 655**

**SERMON** *by* Pastor Daniel Provost  
“Jesus: The Suffering Servant” *Philippians 2:1-18*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### OFFERING

**PREFACE** *(p. 208)*

**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 saying:

**SANCTUS** *(p. 208)* 

**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** *(p. 209)*

**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** *(p. 209)*

**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.

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *(p. 209)*

**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."

### **PAX DOMINI** *(p. 209)*

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

**C** Amen.

### **AGNUS DEI** *(p. 210)*

**C** O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## DISTRIBUTION

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*p. 211*) 

**C** O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.  
All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** (*p. 212*)

**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.

**C** Amen.

**BENEDICAMUS** (*p. 212*)

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**BENEDICTION** (*p. 212*)

**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.

## *Remember in your prayers...*

- † Those afflicted by the novel Coronavirus, as well as those who are fearful in this challenging time.
- † The family of David Breckenridge (brother of Roger Breckenridge), as he has passed away, September 1st.
- † John McGinley, dealing with severe cancer recurrence.
- † Dawn Mesner, as she undergoes medical treatment.
- † Gary Peterson, medical concerns.
- † Roger Breckenridge, residing at Park Centre with medical concerns.
- † Bob Doerring, health concerns.
- † Bill Jenkins, health concerns.
- † Dan Allen, medical concerns.
- † Kendra Boger, health concerns.
- † Tracy Rau, daughter of Karen Doak, health concerns.
- † Marilyn Mertz, recuperating at home.
- † Charlene Vesely, residing at Nelson Manor in Newton.
- † Brenda Neumann, niece of Carmen & Dorothy Sanders, diagnosed with cancer.
- † Gabe Tancer, grandson of Bill & Norma Rozendaal, diagnosed with leukemia.
- † The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa.
- † The Malaria Initiative and the end of Malaria deaths in the world.
- † *Our Missionaries*  
Rev. Dr. Thomas and Mary Aadland, Kenya.  
James and Angela Sharp, Uruguay.  
Carl & Chen Hsi Li Hanson, Korea.

# This Week at Our Savior...

SUNDAY (27) . . . . . 9:00AM WORSHIP  
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY (29) . . . . . BULLETIN DEADLINE - AM

WEDNESDAY (30) . . . . . 1:00PM FAITH 101  
..... 7:00 WORSHIP

SUNDAY (4) . . . . . 9:00AM WORSHIP  
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY  
..... MITEBOX SUNDAY

OCTOBER 5TH - 6TH  
PASTOR AT IDE FALL CONFERENCE AT CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA



SEPTEMBER 29TH

DAVID HARTZ

DENNIS ERPELDING

OCTOBER 1ST

JERRY BINEGAR

KEVIN ERPELDING

SEPTEMBER 30TH

BRANDON WOEBBEKING

OCTOBER 3RD

MIRANDA PENNISTON



SEPTEMBER 30TH

ROGER & DIANNE

BRECKENRIDGE

## *Announcements*

**BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES** *James 1:27 says, "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."* How can you show love to those in your community? Consider playing cards with elders at your local care center or bringing a meal to the single mom who lives across the street. Look around to see who has a need and do something to help. May God bless your "religion" this week! **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa** - 6200 Aurora Ave., Ste 410W, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515-251-4900)

**LIFE QUOTES** "As Christians, we understand better than most that life is weighted with profound suffering and buoyed by eternal hope. As such, it's time to raise our children to appreciate what a big, beautiful struggle parenthood is and that it simply cannot happen without offering compassion, love, and grace to children still in the womb and to the mothers and fathers who view the scales more filled with suffering than hope." *Tawnia Hoebne, Frazee, Minnesota* - A "Life Quote" from **Lutherans For Life** - [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).

**PASTOR'S OCTOBER SCHEDULE** Pastor Provost will be gone October 5th-6th, to IDE Fall Conference at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Pastor will be on vacation from October 12th-23rd. There will be no Wednesday worship on Oct. 14th and Oct. 21st. Please feel free to contact Randy Ervin, 521-8700 or an elder during these times. Ron Dlouhy, 831-9649; Doug Woebeking, 521-5645; Darryl Johnson, 563-349-0230. Thank you!

**UPDATED DATES! --- VOTER'S PACKET DEADLINE** Our next Voter's Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00pm. Please note that the **packet deadline is Tuesday, October 13th.**