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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

During the Prayers of Intercession, you are invited to add your own prayer(s) either in speech or in silence as indicated by the line: "Other intercessions may be added here." You may wish to use this insert to write down your prayer(s) which you may then offer aloud during that time. If you wish to have your prayers added to the Prayer of the Church during the coming weeks, please remove and place this card in the offering plate.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 2nd, 2022 ✚ 10:15 a.m.

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the Word (Holy Baptism), bread and wine (Holy Communion), the Word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

***GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

***WELCOME AND ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of overflowing grace,
we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

There is joy in heaven over every person who repents. By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever. **Amen**

Many and Great, O God

Wakantanka taku nitawa



Wa - kan-tan - ka ta - ku ni - ta - wa tan - ka - ya

1 Man - y and great, O God, are your works, mak - er of

2 Grant un - to us com - mu - nion with you, O Star - a -



qa o - ta. Ma - hpi - ya kin e - ya - hna - ke ca,

earth and sky. Your hands have set the heav'ns with stars;

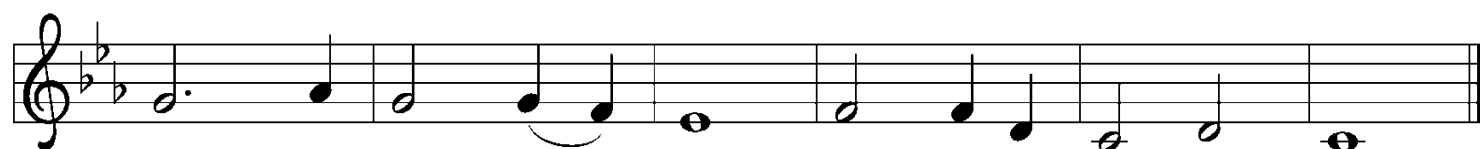
bid - ing One. Come un - to us and dwell with us;



ma - ka kin he du - o - wan - ca. Mni - o - wan

your fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at your

with you are found the gifts of . . . life. Bless us with



ca - sbe - ya - wan - ke cin, he - na o - ya - ki - hi.

word the wa - ters were formed; deep seas o - bey your voice.

life that has no . . . end, e - ter - nal life with you.

*GREETING

The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

WORD

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the wicked will perish, but the righteous will live by faith.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:1-14

This message written from Paul to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

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Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:5-10

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke... **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

ANTHEM

Prayer of St. Francis

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Let us pray. Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired Saint Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless these pets. By the power of your love, enable them to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures. **Amen**

Psalm 8: *Prayed together in unison.*

O Lord, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants

you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,

to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have established;

what are human beings that you are mindful of them,

mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God,

and crowned them with glory and honour.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet,

all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field,

**the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

All who have brought pets may come forward for a prayer of blessing.

Holy God, we thank you for the gift of [*pet's name*]. Through this animal you have brought many blessings. Today we pause to name our gratitude, and to pray a blessing on this pet. For the companionship of our pets and other animals we say thanks. Bless this animal's life in our care; may it know love through all its days.
Amen

When all have returned to their places, the following blessing may be offered.

Gracious and loving God, you place all living things into the care of humankind. We pray that companionship with household pets will deepen our care for animals everywhere. Help us to balance our needs with theirs, and lead us in ways of life together that will be sustainable for all. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Almighty and everlasting God, set your church as a sentinel to watch for your coming into the world. Urge us to announce to others your gracious presence among us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Renew your creation where it has been shaken by disaster. Encourage people who rebuild; bring plants again to blossom. Restore calm in the midst of chaos. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Support the work of people who find paths of diplomacy and peace among the nations. Strengthen them in weariness, that they may fulfill the calling you have given them. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Create opportunities for healing conversation and comforting hospitality in nursing care facilities, hospitals, and homes. Bring joy to those burdened by illness, especially... Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Other prayers may be added here in speech and in silence.

Remembering the saints, especially Francis and others whom we name... who stood steadfast in the faith through many trials. Guide us to put our trust in you until we receive the fulfillment of your promise. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O Holy One, we entrust all for whom we pray, confident in your abundant and abiding mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

***PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray. Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **Amen**

***DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen



*LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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**

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus invites us to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the wedding feast which has no end.

DISTRIBUTION

*BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. We come again to you, O God, giving you thanks that in this feast of mercy you have embraced us and healed us, making us one in the body of Christ. Go with us on our way. Equip us for every good work, that we may continue to give you thanks by embracing others with mercy and healing; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

*BENEDICTION

God Almighty send you light and truth
to keep you all the days of your life.
The hand of God protect you;
the holy angels accompany you;
and the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you now and forever.
Amen



Refrain

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

**1 Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors,
God made their tiny wings. *Refrain***

**2 The purple-headed mountains,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky. *Refrain***

**3 The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them ev'ry one. *Refrain***

**4 God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well. *Refrain***

Text: Cecil F. Alexander, 1818-1895, alt.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

SERVING IN THE LITURGY

PREACHING AND PRESIDING MINISTER

Dennis Lauritsen, pastor

ASSISTING MINISTER

Charles Matthies

MUSIC MINISTER

David Richards

LECTOR

Tom Michaels

USHER

Fred Kuzel

ALTAR CARE AND SACRISTANS

Janice Hapgood

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PRAYER LIST

Members of the Congregation: Anne Gavac, Helen Gaydusek, Karole Gaydusek, Elaine Haase, Anita Horak, Luddy Kovalsky, Beverly Podzamsky, George Pagurko, Mary Sasuta and Mary Sordel

Friends and Relatives of the Congregation: Kelly Alvey, Wally Bisping, Ellen Bailey, Dan and Mary Costello, Eric Dennison, Matt Dieska, Denise Fricano, Bill Holmes, Marjorie Hudnall, Ron Kelly, Nicole Kisiel, Rev. James Kuemmerle, Daryle Lauritsen, Lenyce Lawrenson, Delores Linden, Darlene Loughlin, Celia Martinez, Michele Mason, Donald Neal, Patricia Pfeiffer, Pat Pileggi, Dolores Pollitz, Alice Puglise, Gail Purcell, John Racek, Bill Redis, Sue Renville, Sandy Rossella, Elaine Sorich, Peter Spilotro, Harvey Swenson, Gertrude Tarbox, Janie Tarbox, Tom Thoreson, Mark Van Scharrel and Mike Yavorski.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church, died 1226

Tuesday, October 4th

Born into the family of a wealthy merchant, Francis gave up his inheritance to serve poor people. He formed the Order of Friars Minor (called Franciscans), who took on poverty and the task of preaching "using words if necessary." Francis had a spirit of gratitude for all of God's creation.

Theodor Fliedner, renewer of society, died 1864

Tuesday, October 4th

Fliedner helped to bring about a revival of the ministry of deaconesses among Lutherans. He was influenced in this by Moravian deaconesses he had met. The motherhouse he founded in Kaiserswerth, Germany, inspired many around the world to take up this ministry.

William Tyndale, translator, martyr, died 1536

Thursday, October 6th

Tyndale was ordained a priest in England, and wished to translate the Bible into English. He was opposed in this by King Henry VIII, causing him to flee to Germany. He completed the New Testament in 1525, but before he could finish the Old Testament, he was tried for heresy and burned at the stake.

Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, pastor in North America, died 1787

Friday, October 7th

Divided Lutherans in America asked leaders in Europe to send someone who could take charge and unite their work. Muhlenberg was sent, and was effective in organizing the American Lutherans. Among other accomplishments, his liturgical principles became the basis for the Common Service of 1888.

Current, Benevolence and Freewill Offering September 25th, 2022

<i>Weekly Budgeted Offering for 2022:</i>	\$2,527.00
<i>Offering Received for the Above Categories:</i>	\$.00
<i>Shortage:</i>	\$.00



RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

Saturday, October 15th, 2022

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

(Rummage half-price between 1 and 2 p.m.)

**Sts. Peter and Paul Lutheran Church
31st Street and Desplaines Avenue in Riverside**

**Home Baked Goods and Homemade Salsa,
Rummage Tables, Used Toys and Books,
Jewelry, Raffle, and Holiday Decorations**

**Lunch will be available for purchase
including potato pancakes.**

*Contributions of homemade bakery items would be greatly appreciated.
Please drop off your baked goods on Friday, October 14th
between 1 and 3 p.m.*