

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SETTING THREE, pp. 184-202

Salvation unto Us Has Come, LSB 555

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

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LSB 185

Psalm 116:12–13, 15–16; antiphon: v. 17

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LSB 189

Isaiah 55:6–9

⁶“Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;

⁷let the wicked forsake his way,
 and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
 let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on
 him,
 and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
 neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
 so are my ways higher than your ways
 and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

L 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

Philippians 1:12–14, 19–30

¹²I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.

¹⁴And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. . . .

¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God.

²⁹For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only

believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?...

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB 191

Sit: Children come forward to the altar steps

God's Word to His Lambs

Hymn of the Day

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sts. 6-10

Sermon

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

Sit

Offering

Kneel/sit

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.

[Kneel or be seated]

--after each petition of the Prayer the following response is spoken--

- P** Lord, in Your mercy,

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

--the Prayer of the Church concludes--

- 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.**

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

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The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei LSB 198

Sit

Distribution

Distribution Hymn

*By Grace I'm Saved, **LSB 566***

Distribution Hymn

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord, **LSB 853***

Distribution Hymn

*Lord of All Hopefulness, **LSB 739***

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

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Thanksgiving

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Post-Communion Collect

Salutation

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Benedicamus

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Benediction

Hymn to Depart

*May God Bestow on Us His Grace, **LSB 824***