SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns - Peace Blue 8 770 718 English Gray 12 770 718

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

July 24 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

July 24 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

July 26 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Class

July 26 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

July 27 Noon Bible Study Class

July 30 9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group

July 30 5:30 p.m. Picnic at the Parsonage

July 31 11:30 a.m. Voters Meeting

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *Jesus, Lead Thou On.* It has often been said that life is like a journey. But a journey to where? And a journey through what? We often can't control where we end up in life or what we are going to pass through. We need someone to lead us. That leader is Jesus Christ. He alone knows the way to heaven, so even when the way is cheerless, even when the foe is near, even when we are grieving, we say, "Jesus, lead thou on until our rest is won."

A WORD: Our Old Testament reading is a story about prayer. God has heard an outcry against the evil of Sodom, and he is preparing to render judgement. But before he destroys the city, he tells Abraham his plan. Why? So that Abraham can pray. God wants to show mercy, even to the undeserving, so he often places his children in situations where they see the pain, evil, and hurt afflicting others so that they can pray to God for mercy on this hurting world. The Gospel lesson is also about prayer. Jesus teaches his disciples to pray, and then he tells them two parables. These parables are meant to encourage us by showing us God's heart. God already desires to bless us. So, we can pray for all things with the confidence that he will hear us and do good to us as we pray.

In the epistle reading, Paul reminds us that we no longer need to enslave ourselves to legalistic religion or asceticism in order to relate to God. God has done everything necessary to redeem us by removing our sins from us and nailing them to the cross with Christ. Now we can serve him in freedom and joy.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:8-26 Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: The Lord's Prayer is a tremendous gift to the Church. Jesus teaches us in this prayer to keep the Lord's name holy among us, to trust in His providence, to forgive others as He has forgiven us, and to trust that He will guard and keep us in our lives as His disciples. Our prayer life is one of dependence upon God for all things just as He has provided that which is most important already: the forgiveness of sins in Christ, by whom our prayers are heard.

PICNIC AT THE PARSONAGE: Ashlie and I so enjoyed hosting at the parsonage last year that we plan to do it again. We will be hosting Picnic at the Parsonage the last Saturdays of July and August at 5:30. There is a signup sheet for the July picnic in the fellowship hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

CARING FOR UKRAINIANS: You are invited to help the Ukrainian people. The following items will be collected: disposable diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5), new wash cloths and hand towels, bars of soap, toothbrushes, disposable dishes (plates, bowls, cups, silverware) and new socks and underwear (children and adult). Place your items on the table in the Narthex by Sunday, August 14th and they will be delivered to Orphan Grain Train.

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Fellowship Hall for the directory photographer appointments. The dates that the photographer will be here are August 8, August 9 and August 30. If you wish to call and set up a time, Wilma is in the church office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and she will assist you with your appointment time.

ALTAR FLOWERS: July 24-Viola McKenney, July 31-Wilma Miller, Aug. 7-Karen Olson, Aug. 14-Barb Phelps, Aug. 21-Ashlie Sloter, Aug. 28-Pamela Young.

ALTAR COMMITTEES: Altar Committee for August at Peace is Diane Drenth and Ashlie Sloter and at English it is Linda Wulf.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect pop tarts, granola bars, fruit or snack bars, etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 4: Wayne Ranschau, Brad Vogel, Gary Delfs, Marv Flier, Wayne Jepsen, John Schulte **Next Sunday is Team 5:** Lloyd Lupkes, Lowell Fick, Steve Wallenburg, Jeff Folkens, Adam Schwarte, Steve Anderson, Roger Baatz

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN: SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

Blue Hymnal 8; Gray Hymnal 12

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 119:145-149; antiphon: Psalm 50:15

Call upon me in the day of trouble;

I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

With my whole heart I cry; answer me, O LORD!

I will keep your statutes.

I call to you; save me,

that I may observe your testimonies.

I rise before dawn and cry for help;

I hope in your words.

My eyes are awake before the watches of the night,

that I may meditate on your promise.

Hear my voice according to your steadfast love;

O LORD, according to your justice give me life.

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.

Call upon me in the day of trouble;

I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.
- O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 18:20-33

Colossians 2:6-19

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,

who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.

Their voice has gone out to all the earth,

and their words to the ends of the world.

EPISTLE

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE Luke 11:9

Alleluia. I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 11:1–13

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Reading

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 770: WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

SERMON

OFFERTORY 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION 202

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN 718: JESUS, LEAD THOU ON

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