LORD, INCREASE OUR FAITH Faith that Delights in Duty



SHINING MOUNTAINS LUTHERAN CHURCH Bozeman, MT

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost - October 9th, 2022

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Lutherans believe that the gospel is not only the good news that Jesus has saves sinners, but also a power God uses to create and strengthen faith in Jesus.



INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

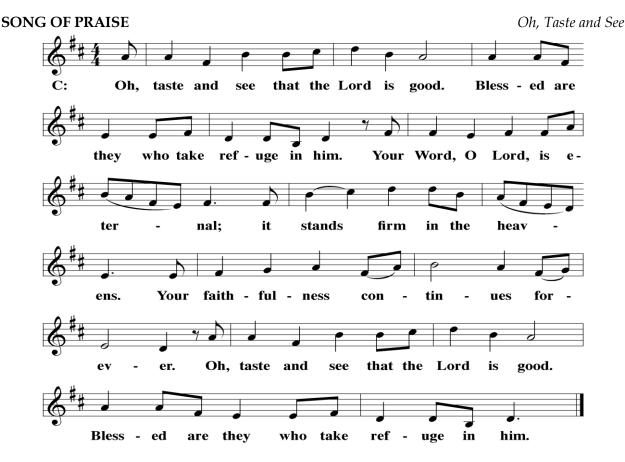
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: 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 *e* forever.

C: Amen.

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.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 62



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.



My soul finds rest in <u>God</u> alone;* my salvation <u>comes</u> from him.

He alone is my rock and my sal<u>va</u>tion;* he is my fortress, I will never be <u>shaken</u>.

Find rest, O my soul, in <u>God</u> alone;* my hope <u>comes</u> from him.

Refrain

Though your riches increase,* do not set your heart on them.

My salvation and my honor depend on God;* he is my mighty rock, my <u>refuge</u>.

Trust in him at all times, O <u>people</u>;* pour out your hearts to him, for God is our <u>ref</u>uge.

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.

Refrain

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11,12

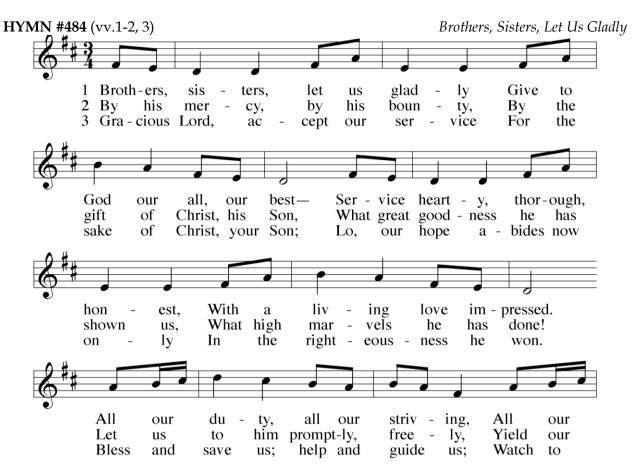
¹Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: ²Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and 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.

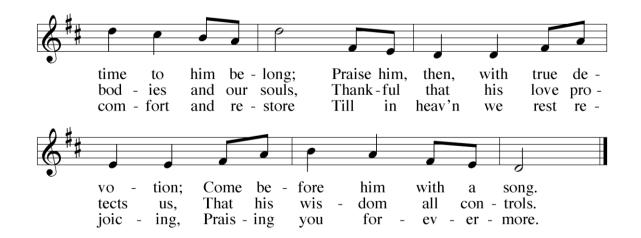
VERSE OF THE DAY

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe That Jesus is the Crhist, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 17:1-10

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.' "





SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

OFFERING

Our offerings are an expression of thankfulness for what our Savior has done for us, and a way of supporting the spread of the gospel through the Church's work.



You can place your offering in the plate in the entryway, or through our <u>secure online giving site</u>.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Lord God, our maker and preserver, we praise and thank you for all that you give us day after day.

C: We are not worthy of all the mercies you show us.

- M: You have given us your precious Word to nourish our souls and to protect us from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature.
- C: We thank you for those who teach and preach your saving truth at this place and everywhere. Grant them a rich measure of patience, wisdom, and love.
- M: Heavenly Father, we pray that you shield us from every kind of danger: sudden catastrophe, terrors of crime, and the pain of disease. Watch over those who travel by land, sea, and air. Keep our loved ones from whatever perils may threaten them.
- C: Heal those who are sick, cheer those who are sad, calm those who are distressed, and comfort all who are old and infirm.
- M: Bless our land, our people, and those who hold offices of high trust. Keep our government and schools upright and strong for the advancement of good citizenship and useful vocations, that we may enjoy your gifts of peace, security, and well-being.
- C: Grant your blessing to every nation on earth. Where there are wars, may there be peace. Where there is hatred, let it be healed. Where there is poverty, danger, or disaster, come with your almighty power to help and restore.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

- M: We bring these requests before you in the name of Jesus our Lord, and ask you to hear us. Take all that we have, our bodies and minds, our time and skills, our ministries and offerings, and use them to your glory.
- C: We give ourselves to you that we may serve you in whatever way is pleasing in your sight.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Serving Us This Week (Oct. 9th - 15th)

Cleaners: Gustafson, Lauersdorf, Thiede, Thede

Serving Us Next Week (Oct. 16th - 22nd)

Cleaners: Blackstad, Holte, Parks

Communion Assistant: 8:30 AM - Dan G; 10:30 AM - Roy B.

This Week at Shining Mountains:

Today	8:30 am 9:40 am 10:30 am	Divine Worship Sunday School +Adult Bible Class Divine Worship
Monday, Oct. 10th	9:30 am	Mornings with Mommy
Tuesday, Oct. 11th	9:00 am	Little Lambs Preschool
	1:00 pm	Basic Bible Christianity
Thursday, Oct. 13th	9:00 am	Little Lambs Preschool
Saturday, Oct. 15th	1 - 3 pm	Pumpkin Fest
Sunday, Oct. 16th	8:30 am	Divine Worship w/ Lord's Supper
	9:45 am	Sunday School + Adult Bible Class
	10:30 am	Divine Worship w/ Lord's Supper

Pumpkin Fest

Pumpkin Fest is scheduled for Saturday, October 15th from 1-3 PM. We are in need of people willing to set up ahead of time, as well as run activities on the day of the event, decorate their cars for the Trunk-or-Treat, as well as clean up after. This is often our biggest Outreach event of the year, so we'd love it if you can help. Thanks in advance!

Chris Driesbach - October 15th + 16th

Musician Chris Driesbach will be here to play at Pumpkin Fest and Worship on Oct. 15 + 16th.

Family Night - Friday October 21st

In hopes of giving more opportunities to gather for fun and fellowship as well as see old friends and new, we are planning on hosting our first Family Night on Friday, October 21st. We will have a potluck meal, Bingo and games as well as have a kid-friendly movie set-up in the Mother's Room. Speak with Donna M, Dan G., or Pastor if interested or have questions!

Hispanic Mission Counselor Visit - Oct. 27th

In response to the Gallatin Valley's on-going growth, especially of Hispanic families, WELS Hispanic Mission Counselor, Pastor Timothy Flunker is planning on being here in the evening of **Thursday**, **October 27th**. His goal is to give us info and support as we see the harvest fields God has put before us and answer any questions. We'd really appreciate it if you could join us!

Special Reformation Service - Oct. 30th

In keeping with their desire to have one single service for special occasions, the Council has decided to only have a 10:30 AM service on Sunday, Oct. 30th. The goal of these is to give a chance for the entire congregation to be present at one time and enjoy each other's fellowship. We will also have our quarterly voter's meeting after the service with a light lunch.

Ladies Fellowship Luncheon

We'd like to invite all the ladies to October's fellowship luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 20th at 11:30 AM. We will be gathering at Kountry Korner Restaurant (81820 Gallatin Road, Bozeman, MT.) For more info or questions contact Donna Moline at 406-233-0782.

Cards and Boardgames

Every Wednesday afternoon at 1 PM, a group plays cards or boardgames at the home of Donna Moline (1030 N. River Rock Dr., Belgrade, MT 59714). We would love to have you join us. Please RSVP to Donna (406-223-0782).

Greeting Cards

The Ladies Fellowship would like to remind the congregation that there are greeting cards which you can purchase for a very reasonable price (\$1 each or 6 for \$5). There are many different cards (*Birthday, Get Well Soon, Thinking of You, Graduation,* etc.), so pick one (or ten) out in the entryway next to the mailboxes!

Altar Flowers for Saints Triumphant

Sign up in the entryway to sponsor a flower in memory of a loved one who died in faith for our Saints Triumphant worship service on **November 6**th. Orders are due by **Sunday**, **October 23rd**. Prices: 1st Carnation \$10; 1st Spidermum \$12; 1st Snapdragon \$12. Each additional flower add \$3. (Vases includes flower(s), greens & baby's breath.)

Parent's Room

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them." We love children in church. They need to grow in the message of God's love as much as we do. If, however, your child needs a chance to be comforted or calmed down, we have a "parents' room" equipped with a window and a live stream of the worship service located immediately across from the kitchen.



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