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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

Welcome! We are glad you're here! A warm welcome is extended to all! Your presence enriches us at this time of celebration together.

Welcome, Announcements and Sharing the Peace

Centering Prayer

We gather, as God's people, bringing our fears and pain, knowing that when our spirits have grown cold, God rekindles the gift of faith in us. We gather, as God's people, knowing that while friends may turn against us, God transforms enemies into sisters and brothers. We gather, as God's people, hungering for healing and hope, knowing that even when life is no picnic, God prepares a feast for us.

Youth Message

(silent prayer)

Opening Song: Sing to the King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain Life and salvation His empire shall bring And joy to the nations when Jesus is King Come let us sing a song A song declaring that we belong to Jesus He is all we need Lift up a heart of praise Sing now with voices raised to Jesus
Sing to the King
For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is
King
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Confession and Forgiveness

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, so let us confess our sins.

Christ was faithful even to death, seeking only to do the will of his Father in heaven, emptying himself of the glory he had with the Father to one with us; yet we often try to enforce our rights and we resist doing more than we think we should. Christ have mercy.

The Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, yet we often allow our spiritual life to be corrupted, losing our sense of the presence of God. Lord have mercy.

Declaration of Forgiveness

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. -- 1 Timothy 1:15

Hear then Christ's word of grace to us: Our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God.

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard the deposit I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Song

Revelation Song

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain Holy holy is He Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat

Holy holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything
And I will adore You

Clothed in rainbows of living color Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder Blessing and honor strength and glory And power be to You the only wise King

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder At the mention of Your name Jesus Your name is power breath and living water Such a marv'lous mystery yeah CCLI Song # 4447960 CCLI License # 3054064

Prayers of the Church

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer: 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Holy Communion

Benediction:

As you go from here, may God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord give you grace, mercy, and peace. Do not let your faith or your witness grow cold. God's gift of faith is like a flame, so remember what you have been taught and live in such a way that all who know you may see the light of God reflected in you.

And may the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be with you and among you in the days ahead. **Amen.**

Sing:

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Go in peace, serve the Lord

Thanks be to God