

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost September 15, 2024 9:00 a.m.

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Welcome to worship here at Zion on this Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost – we are glad you're here! Three weeks ago, we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of *messiah*) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

WORSHIP NOTES:

Thank you for joining us! If you are visiting us today, please fill out a Visitor Card, located in your pew rack, if you would like to have us contact you.

We practice an open communion table at Zion. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion with us, from the youngest to the oldest members of the body of Christ present in worship.

Children are welcome to fully participate in worship. What could be better than the whole family of God being together in worship? There are Children's worship bags available near the usher's table in the narthex. Should you or your child need a break, there is a nursery located across from Fellowship Hall for your use.

Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Mothers' Room, just one door down the hall from the nursery. Please knock before entering.

+ Indicates that you are invited to rise as you are able

BOLD PRINT INDICATES CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES

Hymn numbers are the large numbers at the top of the page in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, which is located in the pew racks or in the blue hymnal supplement, *With One Voice*, handed out with your bulletin Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

PRELUDE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sue Robinson

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

+ OPENING HYMN

God is Here!

WOV 719



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All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We gather for worship today in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection*.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

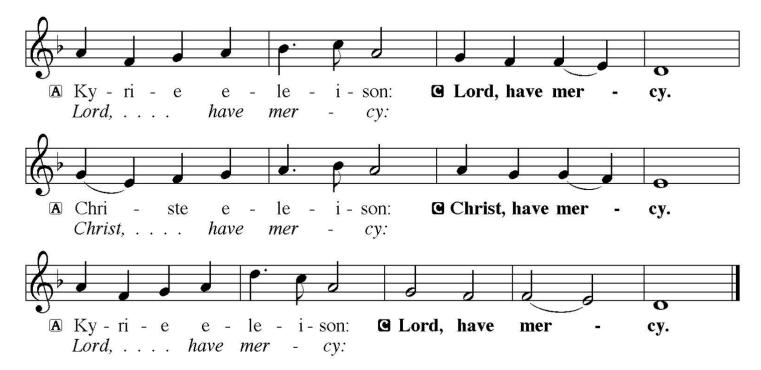
God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

+ GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

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+HYMN OF PRAISE



ed the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat at 0 0 right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer. glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high G Glo-ry to God, est; glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth. For you a - lone are the Ho ly One, a - lone are the Lord, you Π you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Ο in the glo-ry of God the Spir - it, Fa-ther, A - men. G Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high est; glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth, σ Ο and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God,

through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a ⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious. I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face

from insult and spitting.

7The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ^{9a}It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty? The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 116:1-9

¹I love the Lord, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

²for the Lord has given ear to me whenever I called.

³The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." ⁵Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

⁶The Lord watches over the innocent; I was brought low, and God saved me. ⁷Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has dealt well with you.

⁸For you have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;

9I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

SECOND READING James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S SERMON



+ GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:27-34

The holy gospel according to Mark.

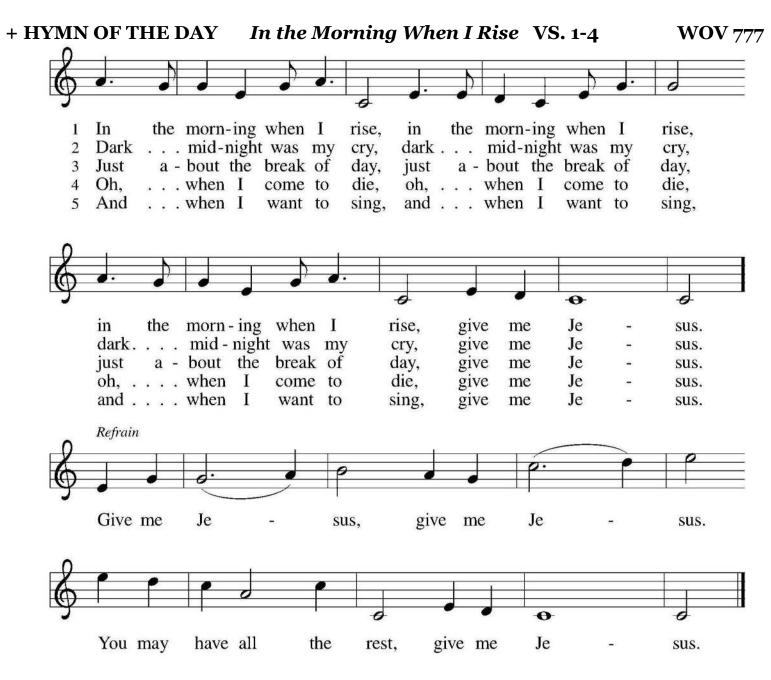
Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." This is the gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



+ APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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, responding with, "hear our prayer".

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer** Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.** + **SHARING THE PEACE** The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you** *Please share a sign of peace with one another at this time.*

> *** MEAL *** God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

MUSICAL OFFERING

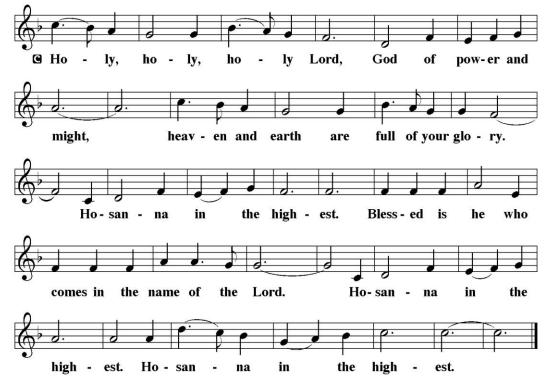
+ OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** + THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
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.

+ PROPER PREFACE

It is right, our duty, and our joy.....and join their unending hymn.

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+ THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION On the Night

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

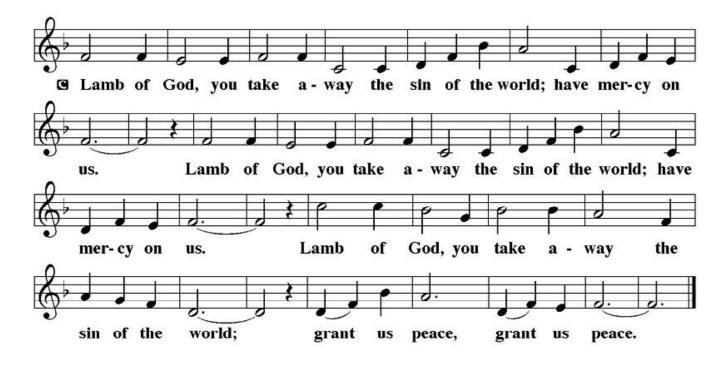
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

+ INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

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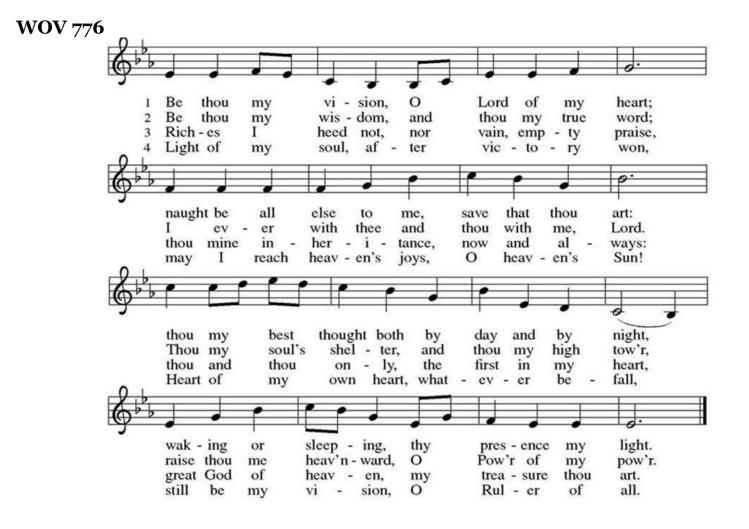
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	1 O Christ the same, through all our sto - ry's pag - es— 2 O Christ the same, the friend of sin - ners, shar - ing
	3 O Christ the same, se - cure with - in whose keep - ing
	our loves and hopes, our fail - ures and our fears;
	our in - most thoughts, the se - crets none can hide; our lives and loves, our days and years re - main;
	$\bullet \rightarrow \bullet$ e - ter - nal Lord, the king of all the a - ges,
	still as of old up - on your bod - y bear - ing
	our work and rest, our wak - ing and our sleep - ing,
	un - chang - ing still a - mid the pass - ing years: the marks of love in tri - umph glo - ri - fied:
	our calm and storm, our plea - sure and our pain:
	O liv - ing Word, the source of all cre - a - tion, O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heav - en—
	O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heav - en— O Lord of love, for all our joys and sor - rows,
	who spread the skies and set the stars a - blaze;
	O Prince of life, in all your sav - ing power; for all our hopes when earth shall fade and flee;
	O Christ the same, who wrought our whole sal - va - tion,
	O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are giv - en: O Christ the same, be - yond our brief to - mor - rows,
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	we bring our thanks for all our yes - ter - days. we bring our thanks for this the pres - ent hour.
	we bring our thanks for all that is to be.
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+ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God,

you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

\$ SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

+ BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

May the Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



+ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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