

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 2020

+PREPARATION+

WELCOME

AS WE

The Readings for today focus on living together under the kingship of God. Joseph forgave his brothers, even though they had sold him into slavery. Paul urges us not to quarrel over opinions about earthly matters, but to honor the Lord in all we do. Jesus tells a parable about God's overwhelming forgiveness and how such forgiveness leads us to forgive others. We can live under the kingship of God only because He has forgiven our sins. In Jesus, God has removed our sins as far as the east is from the west. We practice such forgiveness with one another, living together as the family of Christ.

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN LSB 703 “ How Can I Thank You, Lord”

INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

L: 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.

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth

L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

L: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

+WORD+

INTROIT (see insert – spoken full verse by full verse)

GLORIA PATRI (sung)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

KYRIE (sung)

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (sung)

C: Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good-will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav`nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray: O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy spirit, one god, now and forever.

C: (sung) **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 50:15-21

L: This is the word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

L: Fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

THE EPISTLE Romans 14:1-12

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

VERSE (sung)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 18:21-35

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the eighteenth chapter,

C:(sung)Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

After the reading:

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (sung) **Praise be to Thee, 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

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 844 “Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace”

SERMON

OFFERING— Due to the current situation, if you bring an offering please leave it in the basket in the fellowship hall. If you are able and would like, you may choose to mail your offerings to the church.

OFFERTORY (sung)

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Dear heavenly Father, look with favor upon the nations of the world, especially those suffering from war, conflict, disease, and famine. Be their peace and healer. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, You have made us the light of the world. Help us bring Your light and love to our workplaces. Direct us to treat our employers, employees, and co-workers with fairness and grace, forgiving wrongs as we have been forgiven in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, You have given us the wonderful gifts of families and friends. Look with favor upon our relationships. Bring reconciliation where there is division. Bring love where there is anger. Bring hope where there is despair. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, send Your forgiveness to all those who are weighed down by guilt. Bring Your resurrection hope to all those who hide their sins in shame. Remind them of the baptismal waters,

which give them a new identity: child of God. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, we pray for all those who are sick, [*especially . . .*]. Heal their diseases, and redeem their lives from the pit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, we rejoice today with those who celebrate. Thank You for all the benefits You have shown to [*names of those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or other joyful events*]. We bless Your holy name for Your continued compassion and steadfast love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Lord, be with all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones. Today we remember the families of [*names of those who have died recently*]. Comfort them with the power of Your resurrection hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Finally, Lord, bless Your Church here and scattered throughout the world. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Keep us mindful of Your gracious forgiveness shown to us, the family of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: All these things we bring before You, O Lord.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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,

(sung) For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SALUTATION and BENEDICTION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

L: Bless we the Lord:

C: (sung) Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and +give you peace.

C: (sung) Amen, amen, amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN LSB717 "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

SILENT PRAYER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, Sept. 15, Council meeting at 7pm

Friday, September 18, 2020 will be our next quarterly food distribution.

I will need help with this as in the past. Truck should be here between 7 - 7:30 am to unload. Distribution begins at 9:30 am. Thank you.

Sunday, Sept. 20, 2020 – Service with Pastor McVey

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2020 Pasties - Lakes of the North Clubhouse

Birthdays

Charles Lape – Sept. 3

Nicole Burd – Sept. 16

John Kirk – Sept. 17

Barbara Smith – Sept. 19

Patricia Miessner – Sept. 27

Fenix Huffman – Sept. 30

Cindy Burd –Sept. 4

Bailey Burgess – Sept. 16

Joshua Vanderloop – Sept. 17

Camille Fenton – Sept. 27

Jeff Burgess – Sept. 27

Anniversaries

Michael & Susan Smelker – Sep. 16

New address

Beverly Pirtle

2367 Meadowcroft

Dr. Burton, Michigan 48519

Just a reminder:

All ladies are automatically members of the Altar Guild- come to our meeting, see what's going on, enjoy fellowship and potlucks. This doesn't mean that you have Altar duty to set up communion!! Just come to socialize. Also Altar Guild has

greeting cards for sale in the fellowship hall. Cost is \$6.00 a box or a single card for \$.25 (single card from box on the top shelf, please do not open a box for a single card.)

Pasties

The Order form is in the fellowship hall on table by bulletin boards, price per pasty is \$4.00. These tasty items will be made at Lakes of the North Clubhouse on September 26, 2020. All men get ready to rock & roll.

Monthly financial information for August, 2020

Collections - \$

Expenses - \$

Difference - \$