

# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

## Setting 2 Holy Communion

*Emanuel St. John Lutheran Church*

September 24, 2023

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Welcome and Announcements

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

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

**Amen**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people,  
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sins,  
Receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*A brief silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are in bondage 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.**

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us  
and for his sake God forgives us all of our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,  
I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all of your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### **Hymn – Here in This Place – WOV 718**

Here in this place new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away  
here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

### **The Apostolic 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.**

### **Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

### **Hymn of Praise**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation;**

**Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray....

**Prayer of the Day 17th Sunday after Pentecost September 24, 2023**

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual loving-kindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

**Scripture Readings and Psalm**

Jonah 3:10—4:11

Psalm 145:1-8 Sept 24 Pentecost 17

I will exalt you, O God my king,  
**and bless your name forever and ever.**

Every day will I bless you  
**and praise your name forever and ever.**

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;  
**there is no end to his greatness.**

One generation shall praise your works to another  
**and shall declare your power.**

I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty  
**and all your marvelous works.**

They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,  
**and I will tell of your greatness.**

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;  
**they shall sing of your righteous deeds.**

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
**slow to anger and of great kindness.**

Philippians 1:21-30

**Gospel**

Matthew 20:1-16

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day – Lord of All Hopefulness – LBW 469**

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy;  
Be there at our waking and give us we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe;  
Be there at our labors, and give us we pray  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace;  
Be there at our homing, and give us we pray  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm;  
Be there at our sleeping and give us we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

### **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*Each petition ends:*

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**

### **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Give each other a sign of peace.*

### **Offering**

*Thank you for your continued offerings. They are much appreciated.*

### **Offertory**

**Let the vineyard be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.**

**Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.**

**Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer.**

**Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

### **Offering Prayer**

Merciful Father,

**We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution**

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 Him thanks and praise.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, and he gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying, "This cup is the new testament in my blood, shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name,**

**Your kingdom come, Your 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

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**lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

### **Communion Distribution – Beautiful Savior – LBW 518**

Beautiful Savior, King of creation Son of God and Son of Man!

Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the Nations, Son of God and Son of man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine!

### **Post Communion Blessing**

Thank the Lord and sing his praises; tell everyone what he has done,  
let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name  
He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

### **Benediction**

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord grant you his favor and give you his peace.  
**Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn – On Our Way Rejoicing – LBW 260**

On our way rejoicing Gladly let us go.  
Christ our Lord has conquered; Vanquished is the foe.  
Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy;  
Who, if we be faithful, Can our hope destroy?  
*Refrain:* On our way rejoicing; As we forward move,  
Hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

Unto God the Father Joyful songs we sing;  
Unto God the Savior Thankful hearts we bring;  
Unto God the Spirit Bow we and adore,  
On our way rejoicing Now and evermore  
*Refrain:* On our way rejoicing; As we forward move,  
Hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

### **Sending**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Bulletin Announcements**

**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 24, 2023**

### **WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY**

Worship Attendant: Ron Haden  
Greeters: Darcy Adams Family

Acolyte: Cooper Nattress  
Organist: Rhonda Johnson  
Lay Reader: Kari Lantz  
Children's Sermon: Doug Bartels  
Presiding: Brian Lantz



**THIS WEEK AT EMANUEL-ST. JOHN**

**SUNDAY, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 a.m. Confirmation  
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

**MONDAY, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 a.m. Men's Group

**FRIDAY, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Bible Study at Gathering Center, Twin Lakes Bible Camp

**SUNDAY, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

8:45 a.m. Confirmation  
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Worship



All who believe that Jesus Christ died and rose from the dead for them and that His body and blood is present in the bread and wine are invited to come forward for Holy Communion. Children who do not yet receive the bread and wine will receive a blessing. The inner ring of glasses in each tray contains grape juice. Please complete a communion registration card and place in the offering plate or hand to an usher.

**Prayer concerns:** Our prayers are with the following people with ongoing health concerns: Alan Albright, Gary Ausborn, Janie Ausborn, Ricky Dettmann, Daryl Glasnapp, Laurie Glasnapp, Jane Loux, Darwin Matter, Carol Ross, Dale Scharn and Jim Willis...We remember also our homebound & nursing home members: Joleen Harmon, Mildred Purdie and Gracia Willis...We pray for the safety of all involved with the fall harvest...We pray for all affected by COVID-19 locally and throughout the world...We pray for the peace of Jerusalem... We pray for America: that God would guide us through troubled times, renewing our faith in Him and respect for one another...We pray for the safety and well-being of all law enforcement personnel and first responders...And for our Nation and the men and women serving in the armed forces at home and abroad especially Shiloh Meyer and Hannah Hildreth.

**Members celebrating their birthday this week:**

Sept. 25 Cindy Finley, **Carol Ross**  
Sept. 26 Brandon Diersen  
Sept. 27 Joleen Harmon, Dyle Rockafellow  
Sept. 28 Jamie Clark, Alison Greene, Hallee Maulsby, Brett Meyer, Shane Segebarth

**Members celebrating their anniversary this week:**

Sept. 24, 1983 Randy & Marilyn Schmitt  
Sept. 28, 2019 Nolan & Allysha Huddleson

**ESJ-WELCA Bible Study:** Sunrise Circle will delve into a study that coincides with “The Chosen” movie series. It will begin the first Monday in October at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome, both men and women. Mark your calendars for October 2. Meet in the church library. The study claims to discover what it means to be chosen, blessed and to follow the Way.

The ladies of St. Paul’s Lutheran and Presbyterian Church, Rockwell City, IA will be hosting their annual Guest Night/Salad Bar on Tuesday evening, October 3 at 6 p.m. Program and music will be provided by Rachel Miller and Trish Mernka.

**ALL CALHOUN COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE THE SIX-MINUTE ASSESSMENT TO PROVIDE INPUT ON PROJECTS AND ISSUES THAT MAY AFFECT THEM. RESPONSES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL OCTOBER 31.**



The survey can be accessed by scanning the QR code shown, or by visiting <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DNXLMPN>.

**ONLY TAKES 6 MINS!**

Those who would prefer to fill out a paper copy may pick one up at the Calhoun County Courthouse, the Calhoun County Public Health office in Rockwell City, Stewart Memorial Community Hospital, or at any McCrary-Rost Clinic location.



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**QUESTIONS?**

SMCH Chief Nursing Officer Ann Lengeling: (712) 464-4229  
Calhoun County Public Health Administrator Barb Riley: (712) 297-8323

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Worship Attendants: Ben and Susan Albright  
Greeters: Ken and Pam Meyer  
Acolyte: Aidan Albright  
Organist: Candace Booth  
Children’s Sermon: Nicole Meyer  
Lay Reader: Dave Sands  
Presiding: Rev. Ben Worley



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10:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

**MONDAY, August 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 a.m. Men’s Group

**THURSDAY, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

8:00 a.m. Prayer Group

**SUNDAY, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Outside Worship - weather permitting





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Aug 27 Cory Diersen, Dwayne Newman, Heide Scharn  
Aug 28 Tanner Campbell, Kyle Kral, Aurora Smith  
Aug 29 Gary Ross  
Aug 30 Marcus Mentzer  
Aug 31 Sophie Twyman, **Gracia Willis**  
Sept 1 Julie Haberstroh

**Members celebrating their anniversary this week:**

Sept. 1, 2007 Jon & Angela Ellerbrock

Ingham Lake Bible Camp Hog Roast and Pie Auction will be held this afternoon Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4 p.m. The Pie Auction will be at 6 p.m. Freewill donation for the meal. Ingham Lake Bible Camp is located 5 miles east of Wallingford, IA off County Rd A34, 2258 450<sup>th</sup> Ave., Wallingford, IA.

Dorcas Cluster Women's Fall Retreat will be held Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at Twin Lakes Christian Center. Registrations are due by August 30<sup>th</sup>. The in-kind gifts requested below will be taken to the retreat.

**In-Kind Gifts for D/SAOC Fort Dodge** will be collected-- Items needed: disinfectant wipes, dish soap, laundry soap, dryer sheets, cleaning supplies, dishwasher pods, storage/freezer bags, aluminum foil and plastic wrap, bath towels (hand towels and washcloths), kitchen towels/washcloths, twin size sheet sets and pillows, fragrance free items, coffee, filters & creamer, batteries, lightbulbs, gas cards, Menards gift card (Maintenance), nonperishable snacks, school supplies, food/drinks, shampoo/conditioner, body wash/soap, deodorant, paper towels, paper plates, napkins, plastic/Styrofoam cups, Kleenex, toilet paper, sippy cups, diapers (size 4-6), baby wipes, baby bottles, baby shampoo and baby lotion.

**In-Kind Gifts for Beacon of Hope:** garbage bags (13 and 45 gallon), paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, plastic silverware, floor cleaner, coffee, creamer and general cleaning supplies.

