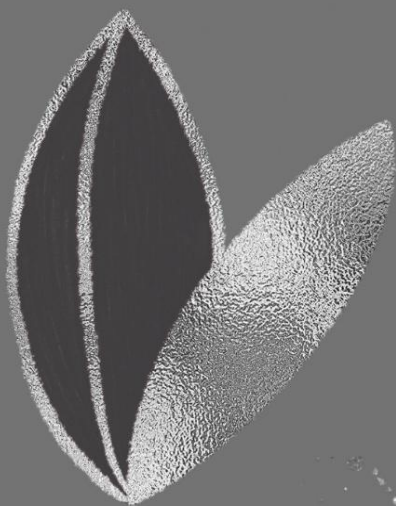


SEVENTEENTH

SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST



ST. LUCAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

October 4th & 5th, 2025

The Season

After reliving the great events of the life of Christ, the worshipping Church spends half a year focusing on the teachings of Christ. The Church wears green during the season of Pentecost as the Spirit uses those teachings of Jesus to grow the faith of believers. The appointed lessons cover a great body of doctrine for faith and life.

The Sunday

The believer loves the lost like Christ. The righteous live by faith; yet how easy it is for the righteous to slip into self-righteous judgment of other sinners, forgetting the grace that has been shown them. Today Christ calls us to love the lost like he does and rejoice over every sinner that “once was lost, but now is found.”

Prayer

“I rejoiced with those who said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord.’” Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Dennis Lemke

Organist: Laura Schulz

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

CW 614

Stand for the 4th stanza



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 All life you en - gen - der in great and in small,
4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
not want - ing nor wast - ing, you rule in your might—
of all life be - friend - er, the true life of all.
your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight.



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, O An - cient of Days,
your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish in rich - ness and range;
Our prais - es we ren - der; O lead us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise!
your clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
we with - er and per - ish, but you nev - er change.
the light of your splen - dor, your love's maj - es - ty!

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

Amen.

Confession

CW 155

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done,

and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,

according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

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.

Gloria (Amer) - MISSIONARY HYMN

CW 1001

Tune: MISSIONARY HYMN



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;
for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.
Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,
we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

God, our refuge and strength, have mercy on your church as we come in prayer before you.
Answer us not in judgment on our sins but in peace and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Be seated

I Am Jesus', Little Lamb

St. Lucas Lutheran School K-3 (10:30 am)

First Reading

Exodus 32:7-14

In his mercy, the Lord restores the repentant heart and preserves his chosen people for eternity, even during the darkest of days.

7Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. 8They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’

⁹“I have seen these people,” the LORD said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people.
¹⁰Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them.
Then I will make you into a great nation.”

"But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. "LORD," he said, "why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.' "

¹⁴Then the LORD relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Be Merciful, O Lord

Psalm 51A

Sung responsively between Pastor & congregation

Refrain



Have mercy on / me, O God,
according to your un- / failing love;
 according to your great com- / passion
blot out my trans- / gressions.

Wash away all my in- / iquity
and cleanse me / from my sin.
 For I know my trans- / gressions,
and my sin is always be- / fore me. *Refrain*

Against you, you only, / have I sinned
and done what is evil / in your sight.
Surely I was sin- / ful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother con- / ceived me.

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I / will be clean;
wash me, and I will be whit- / er than snow.
Hide your face / from my sins
and blot out all my in- / iquity.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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Second Reading

1 Timothy 1:12–17

Our sinful hearts, once hostile to the Lord and his love, have known the same grace poured out so abundantly on Paul.

¹²I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. ¹³Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 5:7

Alleluia!

Cast all your anxiety on him,

because he cares for you.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 15:1–10

Jesus calls us to love the lost both because of their place in the flock and because of their intrinsic worth in the eyes of God.

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ²But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴“Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

⁸“Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ ¹⁰In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

CW 407

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a
Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God. All the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
trib - ute far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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Sermon

Isaiah 50:4-10 Keep Going!

⁴The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue,
to know the word that sustains the weary.

He wakens me morning by morning,
wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.

⁵The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears;

I have not been rebellious,

I have not turned away.

⁶I offered my back to those who beat me,
my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard;

I did not hide my face
from mocking and spitting.

⁷Because the Sovereign LORD helps me,
I will not be disgraced.

Therefore have I set my face like flint,
and I know I will not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who then will bring charges against me?

Let us face each other!

Who is my accuser?

Let him confront me!

⁹It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me.

Who will condemn me?

They will all wear out like a garment;
the moths will eat them up.

¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD
and obeys the word of his servant?

Let the one who walks in the dark,
who has no light,
trust in the name of the LORD
and rely on their God.

Stand

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.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Offering: *God's people offer their first and best to the Lord in response to the Lord's blessings to them. The offering is gathered in a basket in the church entrance before or after the service. If you prefer to give electronically, you may scan this graphic to access www.stlucaswels.org/donate.*

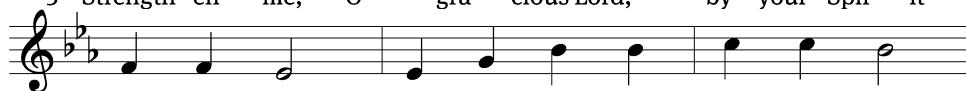


Chief of Sinners Though I Be

CW 578



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed his
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, high - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part com - fort to a
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in
5 Strength - en me, O gra - cious Lord, by your Spir - it



blood for me, died that I might live on high,
heav'n's a - bove, deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; all my wants to him are known,
and your Word. When my way - ward heart would stray,



lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty, love that found me—
joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, faith and hope to
all my sor - rows are his own. Safe with him in
keep me in the nar - row way; grace in time of



to the vine, I am his and he is mine!
won - drous thought— found me when I sought him not.
walk with God in the way that E - noch trod.
earth - ly strife, I a - wait the heav'n - ly life.
need sup - ply while I live and when I die.

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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,	as we forgive those
hallowed be your name,	who sin against us.
your kingdom come,	Lead us not into temptation,
your will be done	but deliver us from evil.
on earth as in heaven.	For the kingdom, the power,
Give us today our daily bread.	and the glory are yours
Forgive us our sins,	now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

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.
Amen.

Abide, O Dearest Jesus

CW 924



- 1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, a - mong us with your grace
- 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, a - mong us with your Word
- 3 A - bide with heav'n-ly bright - ness a - mong us, pre - cious Light;
- 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings a - mong us, boun-teous Lord;



that Sa - tan may not harm us nor we to sin give place.
and thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford.
your truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - y night.
let us in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your Word.

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|---|--|---|--|
| 5 | Abide with your protection
among us, Lord, our strength,
lest world and Satan fell us
and overcome at length. | 6 | Abide, O faithful Savior,
among us with your love;
grant steadfastness and help us
to reach our home above. |
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Church Resources

Family Devotions: Get your family into God's Word during the week! Our church body has short devotions available for the entire family. Each devotion comes with a Set of questions for different age groups, a prayer, and hymn verses that can be sung or spoken. Please visit wels.net/family-devotions to get your weekly devotions.

Marriage Moments: Every marriage has its "moments". That's why marriages need moments of encouragement and refreshment. *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Couples may subscribe to receive the videos directly through email at welscongregationalseivices.net/marriagemoments.

Connecting WELS Members: Connection is more important now than ever. Our church body offers many ways for WELS members to connect through social media. Join the WELS online community at facebook.com/welslutherans, twitter.com/welstweets, Instagram.com/welslutherans, and vimeo.com/wels.

WELS Together e-Newsletter: Stay in the loop! Subscribe to the WELS Together e-Newsletter to stay connected with the people of your synod and the ministry they serve. Also, don't miss the twice-monthly videos that cover important and exciting synod news. Please visit wels.net/together to read and subscribe.

Baptism: If you or a loved one had not yet been baptized, and are interested in more information, please contact Pastor Henning.

Church Membership Starting Point If you're interested in becoming a member here at St. Lucas, we would love to share with you a few Bible studies to introduce you to the biblical teaching here at St. Lucas. We are willing to set up these classes in any setting most comfortable for you, and can always find time that will work for anyone and everyone. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Henning, whose contact info can be found on the final page of this bulletin, underneath the church calendar.

Announcements

No Bible Study 10/7: There will be no Bible Study on Tuesday, 10/7/2025.

Items in Church Basement: The move in date for our new church is fast approaching. There are many items here in our current church building that will not be needed going forward. Throughout the month of October these items will be displayed on the tables in the church basement for anyone who may have a need for them to take, free of charge. Please feel free to stop in after service and take a look. New items will be added weekly. Any items remaining at the conclusion of the month will be disposed of.

Keys Run Volunteers: Volunteers are needed for our water station for the KEYS Run next Sunday. Volunteers will fill and distribute water cups for runners and walkers. Arrive by 10:30 to show our congregation's friendly face and support for the community. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt. Contact Pastor Henning if you are interested.

Volunteers Needed for Painting at the School: On Saturday, **October 4th**, we will be having a painting day **at school beginning at 9 am** and running until the work is done or everyone wants to go home. We would really appreciate having as many people as possible come to help out, as many hands make light the labor. If you have paint brushes, rollers, or any other painting supplies, please bring them with you to make sure we have enough supplies for everyone. It would also be helpful if you have a step stool or small ladder to bring that with you as well. Thank you in advance!

KML Theatre Double Feature: Don't miss KML Theatre's double feature on **Friday, October 31, at 7:00 PM** and **Saturday, November 1, at 2:00 PM** at Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School. The Children's Theatre production of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*,* Book by Tim Kelly, Music and Lyrics by Bill Francoeur, will be performed at KML as well as the One Act play *Return of the Script*** by Don Zolidis. Tickets will be sold at the door beginning 30 minutes before each public performance. All tickets are general admission, \$5 each, and give entry to both shows in the double feature. More info at kmlhs.org/theatre.

**Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* is produced by special arrangement with PIONEER DRAMA SERVICE, INC., Englewood, CO.

***Return of the Script* is produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. (www.playscripts.com)

Ushers: We are seeking to repopulate the usher teams as we move into the new church. Special emphasis will be having our ushers serve as greeters before and after the services. Couples and family groups are especially invited to participate. You would serve one service per month on average. If you are interested, contact Mike Baumann, our leadership team member focusing on worship. His contact info is, Email: mbaumann@societymortgage.com, Phone: (414) 217-9028

MLC Open Positions: Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time Dormitory Custodian, a regular part-time Early Childhood Learning Center Assistant Teacher, and part-time Early Childhood Learning Center Substitute Teachers.

Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Pew Removal: Pews are set to be removed following the 9:30 am service on November 9 (or the last day in the old church if it changes). If anyone is interested in a pew contact Kevin Scheunemann at kewaskumdq@gmail.com. We are asking that you be responsible for arranging your pick up that day. Anyone that would be able to help with removal call or text Curtis Koth (262)305-5591. If you are interested in anything else that will not be moving to the new church call Curtis Koth. Items will be dealt with on a first-come basis.

Banners & Stoles for New Church: To furnish our new church we will need some new banners and stoles. We will be able to reuse some of the banners from the old church, but we need additional new banners so that we have them for every season of the church year. Banner stands will be needed to display the banners. We would like to purchase new stoles for the various seasons of the church year as well. Total cost for these items would be around \$4-5,000. If you would like to donate, place your donation in an envelope labeled "Banners and Stoles" and deposit in the box at the back of church. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS

Teagan Buslaff 10/5
Steve Wolter 10/8
Wendi Dreher 10/10

Caden Harris 10/11
Judith Groeschel 10/11

ANNIVERSARIES

Paige & Joseph Ballard 10/9

Calendar

Readings for Oct. 5th - Oct. 12th 2025

Sunday OCT 05 <i>Deuteronomy 5:1-21</i> <i>Matthew 8:18-14</i> Worship - 8:00 am Sunday School - 9:15 am Bible Hour - 9:15 am Worship - 10:30 am K-3 Sing	Monday OCT 06 <i>Deuteronomy 5:22-6:9</i> <i>Matthew 9:1-17</i>	Tuesday OCT 07 <i>Deuteronomy 6:10-25</i> <i>Matthew 9:18-38</i> NO Bible Study today	Wednesday OCT 08 <i>Deuteronomy 7:1-19</i> <i>Matthew 10:1-23</i> Catechism - 3:30 pm
Thursday OCT 09 <i>Deuteronomy 8:1-20</i> <i>Matthew 10:24-42</i> Fuel for Moms - 7:45 am Bible Study - 10:00 am	Friday OCT 10 <i>Deuteronomy 9:1-22</i> <i>Matthew 11:1-19</i>	Saturday OCT 11 <i>Deuteronomy 9:23-10:22</i> <i>Matthew 11:20-30</i> Worship w/ Communion - 6:00 pm Sixers Singers Sing	Sunday OCT 12 <i>Deuteronomy 11:1-25</i> <i>Matthew 12:1-21</i> Worship w/ Communion - 8 am Sunday School - 9:15 am Bible Hour - 9:15 am Worship w/ Communion - 10:30 am

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