

9:00 WORSHIP
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/COMMUNION
October 1, 2017

Prelude

Announcements

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Opening Hymn

“We Praise You O God”

LBW 241

Psalm 95:1-7

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

C: And also with you.

P: Come, let us sing to the Lord;

C: let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

P: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

C: and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

P: For the Lord is a great God,

C: and a great king above all gods.

P: In his hand are the caverns of the earth,

C: and the heights of the hills are his also.

P: The sea is his, for he made it,

C: and his hands have molded the dry land.

P: Come, let us bow down and bend the knee,

C: and kneel before the Lord our maker.

P: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

C: Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Song of Response

“Great Is The Lord”

Insert

Prayer of the Day *“Almighty and merciful God, increase in us your gifts of faith, hope, and love. And that we may receive what you promise, help us to love what you command; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen.*

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: “What do you[a] mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’? As I live, declares the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. “Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he

shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord God; so turn, and live.”

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Verse

“Glorify Thy Name”

Insert

Gospel: John 3:5-16

Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Sermon

Sermon Hymn/Offering

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

LBW 474

Offertory

“Create in Me”

Apostle’s Creed

Prayers of the Church

Great Thanksgiving LBW p88

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Distribution of Communion

LBW p92

Communion Hymns

"How Can You Love Me So Much"

"We Remember You"

"What a Wonderous Love is This"

Insert

Insert

LBW 385

Nunc Dimittis and Thanksgiving

Benediction

Closing Hymn

"There Is a Redeemer"

Insert

P: Grow in faith

C: Impact the world

Pianist Nanci Van Peursem

Lector Maggie Kruger

Flowers on the altar are given in memory of Merlyn Hedman by Collis and Brenda Dahle.

Sympathy and prayers to Vicky and Kevin Hedge and family on the death of Vicky's mother, Marlene Storm.

Prayers for Ken and Kay Strandvold, Jersey Peschong, Evelyn Dittes, Dick Forster, and Pastor Jean Marc

Thank you to my Living Word Lutheran Church family for the prayers, visits, and cards of encouragement. Thank you to Pastor Kent for prayers before and after surgery and God's healing and comfort. Darlene Eide

If you are interested in helping make Chrismons, they will be meeting to make some Chrismons on Wednesday, October 4th at 6:30 PM.

Visitors please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshipping with us at Living Word Lutheran Church. We hope your worship experience is a blessing.

"May the Lord bless you and keep you." Numbers 6:24

**In case of an emergency call
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TODAY	8:45	Sunday School
	8:45	Adult Education - Pastor Kent - "A Closer Look at Islam"
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship/Communion
MONDAY	5:30	CBS Leaders
	7:00	Community Bible Study
TUESDAY	1:00	St. William's Care Center Services
WEDNESDAY	9:00	Searcher's Bible study
	3:30 - 5:30	Confirmation/Jr. High Youth Group
	6:30	Choir
	6:30	Chrismon Activity
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The Mission Project for our Living Word Women's organization in September is **Non Food** Items for the Grant County Food Pantry. Some examples would be personal care items, paper products, soaps, etc. Anyone who wishes to contribute may drop off items at the church or take them to the Court House.

Operation Christmas Child

The Sunday school kids are challenging the Congregation to see who can put together the most shoe boxes. We ask that you wrap and fill your shoeboxes at home and bring to the church. The Sunday school kids will be filling there shoeboxes during Sunday school. If you have extra shoeboxes that you are unable to fill and are willing to share please wrap and bring to the church. If you need wrapping paper to wrap your shoeboxes contacts Susan. If you have any questions contact Susan Sime at 432-7969.

October 1- 7 is **National 4-H Week**. Please take the time to ask what 4-H is as you will find it is a community of young people across America (yep, including Grant County & Milbank) who are learning, **LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP and LIFE SKILLS**. For more information about 4-H call Matt Christensen at 605-880-8730.

November Servant Team will meet on **Sunday, October 15th** during Coffee Fellowship at 10:00. **Servant teams help with ushering, greeting, furnish and/or serve treats for coffee fellowship, help with weddings if scheduled during the month and help and/or furnish for funerals that maybe during the month. If every member, who is able, volunteers for at least one area of service during their month, the work of the church will easily be accomplished throughout the year. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider being co-chairman for your Servant team.**

“When a person trusts Jesus Christ for salvation, he or she is made a member of the body of Christ” ([1 Corinthians 12:27](#))

Co-chairman:

Bob and Sue Capp
Collis and Brenda Dahle
Roger and Steph Hansen
Jack and Susan Hippen
Gary and Janeen Ingber
Pat Johnson
Ed and Betty Kloster
Bruce and Linda Larson
Chuck and Ann Liebe

Mark and Darla Loeschke
Gary and Marsha Meister
Bob and Pam Nelson
Sue Pauli
Dennis and Joanne Schmig
Steve and Vicki Strege
Dave and Linda Wagner

Living Word Lutheran Church shut ins would welcome a visit or phone call.

St. William’s Care Center: Ruth Modin, Lois Helm - 204,

Phyllis Murphy - 223

Golden Living Care Center: Marvel Black, Evy Berg - 106, Clarice Durbin - 310

Park Place: Frank Brown - 206, Pat Johnson—307, Curt & Elaine Hallberg - 310, Chris Nelson , Janice Johnson - 313, and Luvilla Weber – 324, Ruth Malkerson - 317

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605-878-2344

Rosie Naeve - 901 14th Ave NE #406, Watertown, SD
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Ken and Kay Strandvold - 1103 Washington Drive

Ken and Fran Kunde—702 S 1st St

Darlene Eide - 107 S 5th St

Sermon Series: “Christian Atheists”
(from Craig Groeschel’s book, Zonderzan)

October & November, 2017

October 1:

Title: When you believe in God but aren’t sure he loves you. (chapter 3)

October 8:

Title: When You Believe in God but Not in Prayer. (chapter 4)

October 15:

Title: When You Believe in God But Do Not Think He is Fair. (chapter 5)

October 22:

Title: When You Believe in God But Still Worry All the Time. (chapter 8)

October 29:

Title: When You Believe in God but Don’t Really Know Him. (chapter 1)

November 5:

Title: When You Believe in God But Pursue Happiness at All Costs.
(chapter 9)

November 12:

Title: When You Believe in God But Do Not Share Your Faith. (chapter 11)

November 19:

Title: When You Believe in God But Not in His Church. (chapter 12)

*“They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him.
They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything
good.” Titus 1:16*

“Christian Atheists” books available. Call the church office 438-9673, if you would like one ordered for you. Cost of the book is \$12.

“How Could You Love Me So Much?”

Verse 1

Oh Lord, my God, I stand amazed,
as I behold Your matchless grace;
I see You smiling down upon this child, and see Your everloving face.
To know that in Your heart of hearts,
I am the apple of Your eye,
I marvel at Your love for me, Oh Lord,
to think Your love would make You die!

Chorus

Oh, how could You love me so much,
that you gave Your life for me?
Oh, how could You love me so much that You shed
Your blood to set me free?

Verse 2

And now I'm free from guilt and shame,
by Your shed blood upon the cross;
To think Your love would take You, Lord, that far,
so that my gain became Your loss.
With all my heart and all my soul,
with all my strength, I worship You.
With ev'rything I have within me Lord,
Loving You is all I want to do!

Chorus

Oh, how could You love me so much,
that you gave Your life for me?
Oh, how could You love me so much that You shed
Your blood to set me free?

“We Remember You”

In broken bread and the cup that we share,
we remember You.
In broken bread and the cup that we share,
we remember You.

We remember You, Jesus.
We remember Your love for us.
We remember the blood You shed.
We remember You.

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We remember You, Jesus.
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“There Is a Redeemer”

Verse 1

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Chorus

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit ‘til the work on earth is done.

Verse 2

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

Chorus

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit ‘til the work on earth is done.

Verse 3

When I stand in glory I will see His face,
and there I’ll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

Chorus

Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit ‘til the work on earth is done.

“Glorify Thy Name”

Verse 1

Father, we love You,
we worship and adore You,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Chorus

Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

“Great Is the Lord”

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, by His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, by His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice,
Now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord!
Great is the Lord!
Great is the Lord!

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, by His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, by His mercy He proves He is love.

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice,
Now Lift up my voice:
Great are You, Lord!
Great are You, Lord!
Great are You, Lord!

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