

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH 2021



*Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church is an open,
welcoming and affirming community, fulfilling God's vision of a world
where peace, love, and justice become a reality for all.*

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GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Pastor Joe Holub

Moment of Centering

Opening Hymn (#641) *see insert*

All Are Welcome

Pastor : The amazing grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the astounding love of God, and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

All : And also with you.

Pastor : Let us join together in prayer.

All : Lord, may our congregation be an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is arrogance, humility; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant they we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for the sake and in the service of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

WORD

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:6-8

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before the Lord with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? The Lord has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Psalm

Litany based on Psalm 25

I open up my entire being to you, O God.

Do not let me lose my heart of love to negative forces within and without.

I long to know your ways, O God;

Lead me on the humble path that leads to life and wholeness.

Set me free, O God, from all that hinders my growth in grace and humility,

so that I may be more fully your person in everything I do.

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Forgive me for the former times I have failed to love,
so that I may forgive myself and move boldly forward on the path of grace.

O God, be my Strength within.

Empower me to walk in the way of humility and live by your truth.

New Testament Reading

I Corinthians 1:26-31

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

Reader : The Word of Life.

All : Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclimation (#172) Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

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Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

Pastor : The holy gospel according to Mark, chapter 9.

All : Glory to you, O Lord.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

Pastor : This is the Good News of Jesus the Christ, our Lord.

All : Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Joe Holub

Hymn (#728) *see insert*

Blest Are They

Welcome of Visitors & Announcements

Prayers of the People

Pastor : Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church the world, and all of creation.

(...at the end of each petition)

Pastor : Lord, in your mercy,

All : Empower us with your Spirit!

Pastor (at conclusion of petitions) : We commend to you, O Lord, all of our spoken and unspoken concerns always trusting your grace and mercy to sustain, strengthen and uphold us.

All : Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Pastor : The peace of Christ be with you!

All : And also with you!

Pastor : Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.

Offering

At this time we are inviting people to share generously from the blessings God gave us all. Those attending church can drop a check or cash in the basket by the exit doors of the sanctuary. Others can donate online, following instructions on LOTM's website - or mail a check to the church office. Thank you!

Offertory Prayer

Pastor : Gracious God,

All : Accept the gifts we place before you now and bless this meal we are about to partake. May the peace of God reign in us, the love of God surround us, the Spirit of God empower us, and the joy of God uphold us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving and Eucharistic Prayer

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 good to give thanks and praise.

Pastor : As we gather at this table hosted by Jesus, we give thanks and open ourselves to the lavishly given gifts of forgiveness, grace and peace that unite us and ignite us in love.

All : Spirit of God, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so direct our wills that we may be wholly yours and dedicated to follow the challenges of Jesus' love.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Pastor : We gather now at the inclusive banquet of lavish, magnetic love and astounding grace! All are welcome. No exceptions!

Communion Hymn (#482) *see insert*

I Come with Joy

Blessing After Communion

Pastor : Gracious God,

All : We give you thanks that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your grace, strengthen us in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

Benediction

Pastor : The grace of God, the compassion of Jesus the Christ, and the presence of the Holy Spirit guide and empower you on your journey!

All : Amen.

Sending Hymn (#798) *see insert*

Will You Come and Follow Me

Dismissal

Pastor : Go in peace! Serve Christ in all things!

All : It shall be so! Amen.

Postlude

PEACE BE WITH YOU

In Service

THIS WEEK

Greeters—Doug Muschett

Pastor—Joe Holub

Reader—Darlene Muschett

Ushers—TBD

Altar Guild—Nancy Spears

NEXT WEEK

Greeter—Ferol Menzel

Pastor—Lydia Ziauddin

Reader—Karen Johns

Ushers—Amie Branson &

Ferol Menzel

Altar Guild—Ferol Menzel



*Did you know that you have our support
throughout the week, as well?*

For Pastoral Care through September 26th,
Chaplain Karen Johns is honored to serve : (319) 329-4557

Birthdays

SEPTEMBER

<i>Brian Hanly</i>	3
<i>Peggy Hiller</i>	4
<i>Catherine Moran</i>	4
<i>Rose Mary Grove</i>	7
<i>Magnus Murphy</i>	7
<i>Gail Taylor</i>	7
<i>Cindy Massaro</i>	9
<i>Gary Reinking</i>	17
<i>Karen Keinath</i>	21
<i>Dave Domzal</i>	25
<i>Bruce Hodson</i>	25
<i>Jim Hackney</i>	27

Welcome to Lord of the Mountains

We rejoice that diversity in God's creation enriches, nurtures and challenges our life and ministry as followers of Jesus and as servants in the world.

Because we believe with Jesus that God's grace is truly amazing, we are committed to welcoming all people to this place... no matter where you come from, no matter what age, race, socio-economic or family status, no matter what gender identity or sexual orientation, no matter what your faith tradition or theological beliefs.

Grace is for everyone or it isn't grace.
It's that simple.
It's that amazing.

We really do welcome all!

In the spirit of the Reformation, Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church continually seeks meaningful ways of expressing our commitment to the life and teachings of Jesus.

We do this by...

- welcoming all people to full participation in our community of faith.
- recognizing there are many ways to God.
- striving to be compassionate toward all of creation.
- aspiring to live what we believe.
- respecting diversity of thought and opinion.
- working for peace and justice for all people and all creation.
- committing ourselves to serving others.

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