



Remember Jesus Christ

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2019

KING OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH | *Golden Valley, Minnesota*

Welcome to God's divine service among his saints in his house this morning. If you experience any kind of barrier to worship, please speak with an usher. There is a hearing assistance system available, there are activity bags for children, and the service is streamed live in the Fireside Room down the hall.

Service of the Word

The readings for the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost show us three examples of lives of faithfulness. To be full of faith is to have a steady devotion and unfailing loyalty to someone in consistent practice regardless of changing circumstances.

OPENING PRAYER

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in your presence to hear your holy Word. We pray you to open our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation | #8

CONFESSION OF SIN

- P: Let us confess our sins to God and pray: We poor sinners confess to you, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have often and in many ways offended you, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word, and deed, so that you could with perfect justice reject and condemn us for all eternity. Therefore we come before you with sorrow of heart, in dread and terror of your holy justice and of everlasting death. Our sins are a grievous foe, which we should hate in every way as long as we live.
- P: O merciful God, you still grant us in this hour to be reminded of your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of your Word, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, and implore you, dearest Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised again for our justification: Forgive us all our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts to full assurance.
- C: We therefore pray you, O Lord, through your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

HYMN

Lord, Have Mercy



O God the Fa - ther in heav - en, have mer-cy up-on us.



O God the Son, Re - deem-er of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.



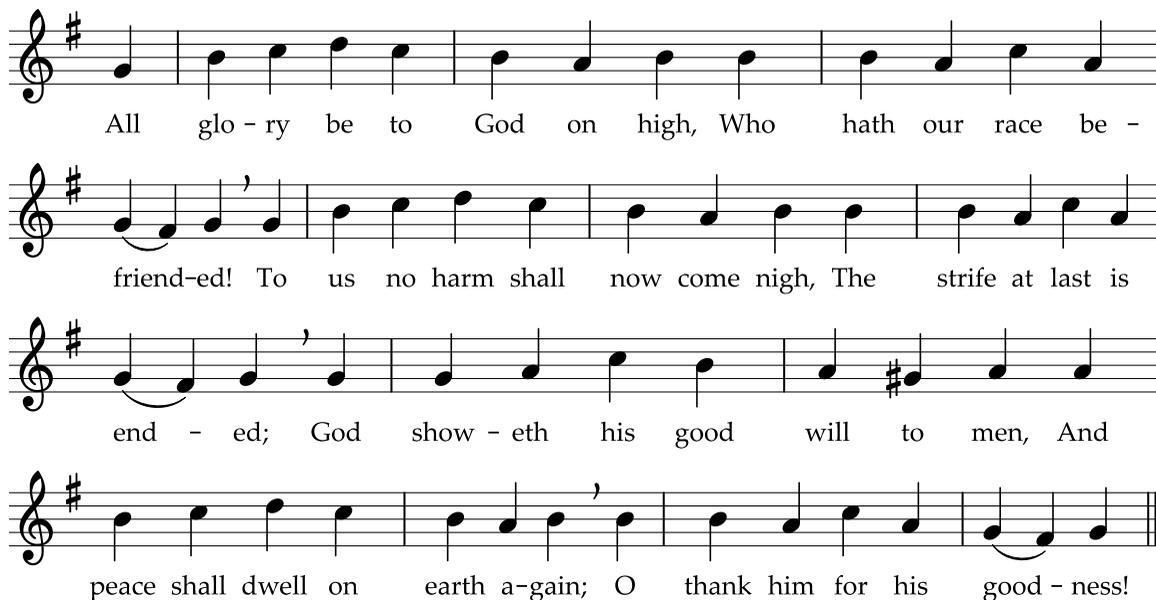
O God the Ho-ly Ghost, true Com-fort-er, have mer-cy up-on us.

ABSOLUTION

P: Upon this your confession, by the authority of God, I declare to you the gracious forgiveness of all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. May he who has begun the good work in you perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. Peace be with you. Amen.

HYMN

Glory to God in the Highest



All glo - ry be to God on high, Who hath our race be -
friend-ed! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is
end - ed; God show - eth his good will to men, And
peace shall dwell on earth a-gain; O thank him for his good - ness!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray for thankfulness: God of our salvation, thank you for healing us and making us whole. Make us always thankful and ready to praise you, rejoicing in your goodness. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The foreigner, Ruth, was counted as an Israelite through faith. Regardless of the circumstances, she showed steady devotion to her mother-in-law and Israel's God.

¹In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. ²The man's name was Elimelech, his wife's name Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem, Judah. And they went to Moab and lived there.

³Now Elimelech, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, ⁵both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶When she heard in Moab that the LORD had come to the aid of his people by providing food for them, Naomi and her daughters-in-law prepared to return home from there. ⁷With her two daughters-in-law she left the place where she had been living and set out on the road that would take them back to the land of Judah.

⁸Then Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back, each of you, to your mother's home. May the LORD show kindness to you, as you have shown to your dead and to me. ⁹May the LORD grant that each of you will find rest in the home of another husband."

Then she kissed them and they wept aloud ¹⁰and said to her, "We will go back with you to your people."

¹¹But Naomi said, "Return home, my daughters. Why would you come with me? Am I going to have any more sons, who could become your husbands? ¹²Return home, my daughters; I am too old to have another husband. Even if I thought there was still hope for me—even if I had a husband tonight and then gave birth to sons—¹³would you wait until they grew up? Would you remain unmarried for them? No, my daughters. It is more bitter for me than for you, because the LORD's hand has gone out against me!"

¹⁴At this they wept again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law good-bye, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵"Look," said Naomi, "your sister-in-law is going back to her people and her gods. Go back with her."

¹⁶But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal

with me, be it ever so severely, if anything but death separates you and me.”¹⁸When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

¹⁹So the two women went on until they came to Bethlehem.

ANTHEM (10:45)

May the Lord Bless You | Kindergarten class

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17:11–19

The Samaritan leper, a foreigner, showed steady faith in Christ both before and after he was healed.

¹¹Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!”

¹⁴When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him — and he was a Samaritan.

¹⁷Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

STATEMENT OF FAITH

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Apostles’ Creed:

C: 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN

Death Is Dead, the True Life Liveth | #346

SERMON

Remember Jesus Christ | 2 Timothy 2:1–13

God is faithful to humans and urges our faithful response despite the cost.

¹You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others. ³Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs—he wants to please his commanding officer. ⁵Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. ⁷Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; ¹³if we are faithless, he will remain faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

OFFERING, PRAYERS, AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER

P: Let us give thanks and pray: Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank you that of your great mercy you have given us your holy and blessed Word, by which you gather among us your Christian church. We humbly ask you: grant us your Holy Spirit, that we receive your Word with thankful hearts and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith and hope and love, and at last obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Benediction is more than a prayer for blessing. It gives a blessing in God's name, giving positive assurance of the grace and peace of God to all who receive it in faith.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.



C: A - men, a - men, a - men.

CLOSING PRAYER

P: O Lord, we give you our heartfelt thanks that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

Notes

Announcements

Send announcements to bulletin@kog-els.org.

WEST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL FALL CONCERT

Our high school will host a music concert followed by a dessert social today, 10/13 at 3:00 pm.

WOMEN'S MISSION RALLY

Attend southern Minnesota's ELS mission rally on Saturday, 10/26 from 9 am–3 pm at Peace Lutheran Church in North Mankato. Lunches and a supervised play area for little kids are provided. Please RSVP on the bulletin board in the hallway today.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Donate blood on Thursday, 10/24 from 1–7 pm in the Fellowship Room. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway, but walk-ins are also welcome.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Volunteer to pack meals for Feed My Starving Children in Coon Rapids on Friday, 10/25 from 6:00–7:30 pm. Sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway for carpooling by 10/20.

PIONEERS CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

Christmas wreaths are available to purchase from the Pioneers between today and 11/3 at the table in the hallway. Wreaths will arrive the week of Thanksgiving. Contact Lynn Marie Terpstra at (612) 532-7671 with questions.

COFFEE, CROCHET, AND CRAFTS

Join LaDonna DeLorme for a knitting/crocheting get-together on Saturday mornings at 8:30 at church. Enjoy some coffee and friendship.

BAPTISM

We welcome a new Christian into our family this morning through the waters of holy Baptism. Erik Dasco Ferkenstad was born on October 4th and is born again this morning. Standing at the font with his parents, Aaron and Djemelyn, are Dave and Heidi Paulsen.

Calendar

Today	9:30 am	Social hour
Monday	6:30 pm	Worship Service
	6:30 pm	Church Council
Tuesday	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Jesus Cares Ministry
	7:00 pm	Board of Youth
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Grades 7 & 8 Confirmation
Saturday	8:30 am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	8:15 am	Communion Service
	9:30 am	Bible studies
	10:45 am	Communion Service

Preacher.....Rev. Erv Ekhoﬀ | **Liturgist**..... Rev. Aaron Ferkenstad (8:15)
Liturgist..... Rev. Ben Wiechmann (10:45)
OrganistKaren Merseth | **Pianist (Monday)** Jenny Merseth

Counters Today Deb Anderson, Jerry & Beth Hoem
Counters Next Sunday Nathan & Polly Potratz, Ken & Carol Johnson
Usher Captains Today Bruce Christensen, Brian Pederson
Usher Captains Next Sunday John Vomhof, John Woodington
Video Team Today Jason Luxford
Video Team Next Sunday Katherine Guillaume
Coffee Clean Up Today Board of Youth
Coffee Setup Next Sunday King's Daughters
Coffee Clean Up Next Sunday Admin Committee
October Altar Guild Linda Browning, Arlene Fuller

Attendance Last Week: 389 worshiped on Sunday and 21 worshiped on Monday.

Offerings Last Week:

Average Needed Per Sunday: \$16,869	Average Needed Year to Date: \$236,166
Received Last Week: \$12,559	Received Year to Date: \$207,279