SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

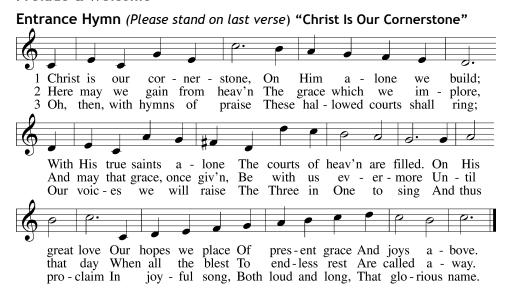
Saturday, July 7, 2018 - 6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 8, 2018 - 8:00 & 10:45 a.m. Divine Service 1 LSB pg. 151

As We Gather

God's power, grace, and mercy stands in contrast to our weakness. The psalmist urges us to lift up our eyes to God, especially in times of distress. In the Gospel reading for today, Jesus comes to His hometown to teach, but He is rejected. And in the Epistle, we find Paul boasting and rejoicing in his weakness, because when he is weak, then he is strong. When he is weak, then God most clearly showcases His power, grace, and mercy.

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Prelude & Welcome



Invocation

- P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Confession & Absolution

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

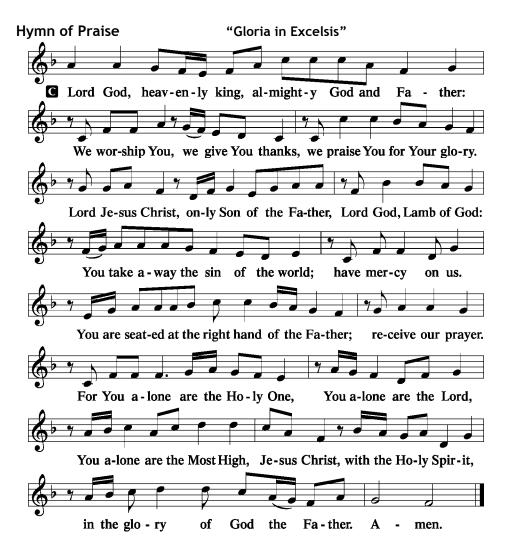
(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.
- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 4- Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Kyrie

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: 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.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.





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Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray. Almighty God, Your grace is sufficient for us. When we are weak and suffering, point us back to You, our source of strength and comfort, that we rejoice in Your power, mercy, and grace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

⊕ The Word of the Lord ⊕

"I delight in weakness!" Epistle (Please be seated) 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 ¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. 3And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— ⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. 6Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. 8Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel (Please stand) "A Prophet Without Honor" Mark 6:1-13 ¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? 3ls not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." 5And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— 9but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. 10And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. 11 And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." 12So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message (Please be seated) (8:00 a.m.)



"Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

Sing to the ord a new song; sing to the ord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

- Psalm 96:1-3

"Joy in Weakness"

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Sermon Series "Finding Joy" (Week 3)

1)	Paul in weakness. We ought to in weakness.
·	¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, is
	difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong. —2 CORINTHIANS 12:10
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2)	You weaknesses are not
	^{7b} I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸ Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. ⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.
	-2 CORINTHIANS 12:7b-10
	²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. —GALATIANS 2:20
3)	God often uses weakness to
	⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. ⁸ We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. ¹¹ For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body.
	moriai voay. —2 CORINTHIANS 4:7-1
4)	When I am weak, then I am strong, not
	¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

-PHILIPPIANS 4: 12-13

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Apostles' Creed (Please stand)

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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

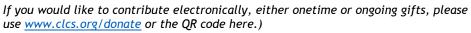
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship (Please be seated)

(Welcome! Please add your name to the fellowship pad.)

Gathering of Offerings

(As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our lives, time, talents and financial gifts.





Prayer of the Church (*Please stand*)

- P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- L: For children and infants, that they be raised by faithful parents and guardians, and grow in strength and in knowledge of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the elderly and homebound, that God would strengthen them through His Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- L: For the leaders of this congregation, that God would send His guidance and wisdom for the benefit of this congregation and community, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For those who are sick and recovering, [especially . . .], that they rely on the all-sufficient grace of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your power, mercy, and grace.
- C: Amen.

The 8:00 a.m. service continues on page 11 with the Benediction.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. — 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Holy Communion - Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life. He says: "Come, for those who eat this bread and drink this cup will never hunger or thirst, but be raised up on the Last Day" (John 6). Whoever receives the Lord's Supper must be a believer in Christ (Hebrews 11:6); be sorry for their sins (Proverbs 28:13); believe that Christ offers His body and blood with the bread and wine (1 Corinthians 10:16); and be willing to forgive those who have sinned against you (Matthew 6:14-15). Come with faith in His promises to you and His presence in this holy meal.

As you approach the Lord's table, please move to the cross on the center rail.

Gluten-free wafers are available on the two stands at the front of the church. Worshippers with a gluten allergy may pick up a sealed packet on their way to the communion rail.

⊕ Service of Holy Communion ⊕6:30 p.m. & 10:45 a.m.

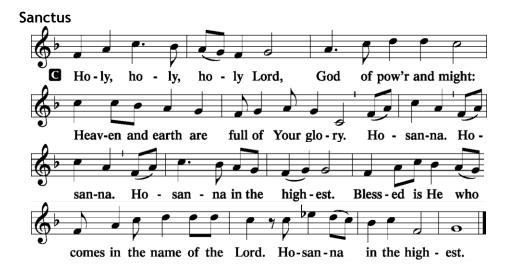
Preface

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who took on the weakness of our mortal flesh and suffered death and the grave, yet by the power of His resurrection He opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



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Lord's Prayer

- P: Lord remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

The Words of Institution & the Peace of the Lord

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.

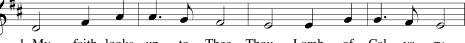
Agnus Dei (Sung)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns (Please be seated) "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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- 1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal va ry,
- 2 May Thy rich grace im part Strength to my faint ing heart; 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread.
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a round me spread, 4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream





guilt a - way; O let me from this day Be whol - lv Thine! love to Thee Pure, warm, and change-less be, A liv - ing fire! tears a - way, Nor ev - er stray From Thee let me a side. trust re-move; O bear me safe a-bove, A ran-somed soul!





Post-Communion Canticle (Please stand and sing) "Thank the Lord"

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Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.

Let all who seek 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.

Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

- L: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

8:00 a.m. service continues here

Lord's Prayer (8:00 a.m.)

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Benediction

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and ++ give you peace.
- C: Amen.



5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our native land From all its rending tombs, Send forth a glorious band, A countless throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King, Salvation's song!

Postlude

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