



The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois
September 2-3, 2017



THE PRELUDE: "Prelude in G Minor"

by J. S. Bach

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: 685 "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"

Divine Service Four, page 203ff.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 203

We Share God's Peace With and Greet One Another

INTROIT: Psalm 37



Delight yourself | in the LORD, and He will give you the desires | of your heart.

Commit your way | to the LORD; trust in Him, and | He will act.

He brings forth your righteousness | as the light, and your justice as the | noonday.

Be still be- / fore the LORD and wait patiently | for Him;

fret not yourself over the one who prospers / in his way,
 over the man who carries out evil de- | vices!

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.

Delight yourself | in the LORD, and He will give you the desires | of your heart.

KYRIE: (page 204) (*sung*) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: "Glory to God in the Highest" page 204

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

P: Let us pray. C: Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (*please be seated*)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Jeremiah 15:15-21

O LORD, You know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In Your forbearance take me not away; know that for Your sake I bear reproach. Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by Your name, O LORD, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because Your hand was upon me, for You had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will You be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? Therefore thus says the LORD:

"If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before Me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as My mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

Fear the LORD, you His saints,
 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

**for those who fear Him lack nothing!
 but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

THE EPISTLE READING:

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another.

Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(*please stand if able*) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** (page 205)

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 16:21-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord! This shall never happen to You." But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a hindrance to Me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Then Jesus told His disciples, "If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 206** *(10:30 a.m.)* **The Apostles' Creed: page 207**

(please be seated)

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG:** *(tune: "Lift High the Cross")*

Take up your cross, the love of Christ makes strong,

Tell all the world of Him in word and song.

Come, Chris-tians, fol-low where our Cap-tain trod,

Our king vic-to-rious, Christ, the Son of God. *(refrain)*

HYMN OF THE DAY: 753 "All for Christ I Have Forsaken"

SERMON: "Take Up Your Cross" Matthew 16:21-28

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *(please stand if you are able)*

(Each petition ends "let us pray to the Lord" and we respond, "Lord, have mercy.")

HEALING AND COMFORT: Nina Guebert, Willard Uffelmann, C. John Prigge, Harold vanHoy, Larry Ebers, Melodye Stamm, Diana Becker, David W. Stellhorn; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Elaine Goetting, Harlan Burmester, Jamie Brandt, Ruth Ann Juelfs, Eric Frazier, Rev. Mike and Melanie Maddick, Ethel Montroy, Dwain Schrader, Brian Ulione, Brenda Manning, Bobby Wood, Boniface Becker, Miles Rancruet, Peggy Idecker, Esther Wilson, Derrick DeWilde. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: (Please call with the names to include in prayer.) Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Tim Healy, Christopher Dupertius, Thomas Goetting, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Casey Vallet, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Andy Pfeiffer, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Christina Cavan, Tanner Hackstadt, Ched Wagner; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Garrett Carnahan, Brent Knop

+thanksgiving for births: a son, Carter Christopher, to Taylor Schnepel and Ryan Maloney on August

18; the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Renee, to Jim and Anita (Liefer) Farmer on August 27

+the wedding of Nick Uffelmann and Amy Schutte on Saturday, September 2

+the wedding of Tyler Henry and Megan Miller here on Saturday, September 9

+those who mourn: the family of Melba Everding, the mother of Deb Liefer

+those suffering from or threatened by Hurricane Harvey on the Gulf Coast

(please be seated) **OFFERING:** "Come Follow Me, the Savior Spoke" *arr. by J. G. Walther*

The 10:30 a.m. service ends with the Lord's Prayer, Closing Prayer and Benediction.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 208ff. *(please stand)*

PREFACE AND SANCTUS: page 208

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER: page 209

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD: page 209

THE PAX DOMINI:

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

THE AGNUS DEI: page 210

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

688 "Come, Follow Me' The Savior Spake"

708 "Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart"

752 "Be Still, My Soul"

(please stand if able)

NUNC DIMITTIS: "Song of Simeon" page 211

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT: page 212

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION: page 212

CLOSING HYMN: 924 "Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"

THE POSTLUDE: "Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"

arranged by C. S. Lange

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