



# Seventeenth Sunday After The Pentecost

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"Jesus is LORD"

*Matthew 21:23-32*

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**Opening Hymn** - All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

LSB 549vv. 1, 3, 5-7

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.  
[Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.  
[Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.  
[Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.  
[To Him all majesty ascribe And crown Him Lord of all.]
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.  
[We'll join the everlasting song And crown Him Lord of all.]

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

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.**

1John 1:8

**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 trusted 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.**

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 ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** John 20:21-23

**Entrance Hymn – Jesus, Name above All Names**

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1 Jesus, name above all names, Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us, Blessed Redeemer, living Word. (2x)

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**Collect of the Day** (short prayer before hearing the Word)

P Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

**Readings From Holy Scripture**

**Old Testament Reading -**

**Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32**

The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>2</sup> "What do you 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'? <sup>3</sup> As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. <sup>4</sup> 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...<sup>25</sup> "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? <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die. <sup>29</sup> 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? <sup>30</sup> "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. <sup>31</sup> 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? <sup>32</sup> For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live."

A This is the Word of the Lord **C Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle 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, <sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others...<sup>14</sup> Do all things without grumbling or questioning, <sup>15</sup> 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, <sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

A This is the Word of the Lord **C Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading -

Matthew 21:23-32

And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" <sup>24</sup> Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. <sup>25</sup> The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' <sup>26</sup> But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." <sup>27</sup> So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things. <sup>28</sup> "What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' <sup>29</sup> And he answered, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went. <sup>30</sup> And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, 'I go, sir,' but did not go. <sup>31</sup> Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. <sup>32</sup> For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

A This is the Gospel of the Lord **C Praise to you O Christ.**

## 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 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.**

**Sermon Hymn – Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**

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- 1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;  
Curb those who by deceit or sword  
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son  
And bring to naught all He has done.
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known,  
For You are Lord of lords alone;  
Defend Your holy Church that we  
May sing Your praise eternally.
- 3 O Comforter of priceless worth,  
Send peace and unity on earth;  
Support us in our final strife  
And lead us out of death to life.

**Sermon – Jesus is LORD**

Mt. 21:23-32

- 1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
- 2 When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, While millions join the theme, I will sing.
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing His love for me,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And through eternity I'll sing on.

### Prayers of the Church

P Lord, in your mercy...

#### **C Hear our prayer**

P Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray trusting in your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who while he was with us, walking among us, taught 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.**

### Benediction Song

Verse 1

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father And the grace of Christ the risen Son  
And the fellowship of God the Spirit Keep our hearts and minds within His love

*Chorus*

And to Him be praise for His glorious reign From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain Christ eternal the King of kings

Verse 2

May this peace which passes understanding And this grace which makes us what we are  
And this fellowship of His communion Make us one in spirit and in heart - *Chorus*

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"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

Numbers 6:27

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