

**OUR WORSHIP TODAY OCTOBER 22, 2017, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME**

*Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements*

**CONFESSSIONAL PRAYER**

Lord, 500 years ago your people stood up for what they believed, One Word, One Grace, One Faith, and One Christ – to God be the Glory. By our own reason and strength, we know we are not worthy of the grace of your forgiveness, Lord. We know you do not favor one of us over another of us, but you love us equally in your sight. For the burden of our sins, and to receive the gift of your forgiveness, we know we need to confess our sins before you, Almighty God:

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things 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. 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**

**ABSOLUTION**

Pastor:

As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of Jesus Christ, and by His authority, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Go and sin no more, that the rest of your life might be pure and holy and modeled after our Lord Jesus in all we say and all we do, we pray and celebrate our Easter joy in His Holy Name. **Amen.**

**HYMN - # 57 - All Hail the Power of Jesus Name vs. 1,4,5,6**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY** (Unison):

**Lord, we thank you for the gift of your Son, Jesus, our eternal Christ. Thank you for making him our friend as well as our savior, who is always approachable to us. Amen.**

**Alleluia. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us. Alleluia.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:        “Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”        Dean Carson**

**FIRST LESSON: Judges 13:1-20 English Standard Version (ESV)**

**The Birth of Samson**

And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, so the LORD gave them into the hand of the Philistines for forty years.

There was a certain man of Zorah, of the tribe of the Danites, whose name was Manoah. And his wife was barren and had no children. And the angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, “Behold, you are barren and have not borne children, but you shall conceive and bear a son. Therefore be careful and drink no wine or strong drink, and eat nothing unclean, for behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. No razor shall come upon his head, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb,

and he shall begin to save Israel from the hand of the Philistines.”

Then the woman came and told her husband, “A man of God came to me, and his appearance was like the appearance of the angel of God, very awesome. I did not ask him where he was from, and he did not tell me his name, but he said to me, ‘Behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. So then drink no wine or strong drink, and eat nothing unclean, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb to the day of his death.’”

Then Manoah prayed to the LORD and said, “O Lord, please let the man of God whom you sent come again to us and teach us what we are to do with the child who will be born.” And God listened to the voice of Manoah, and the angel of God came again to the woman as she sat in the field. But Manoah her husband was not with her.

So the woman ran quickly and told her husband, “Behold, the man who came to me the other day has appeared to me.” And Manoah arose and went after his wife and came to the man and said to him, “Are you the man who spoke to this woman?” And he said, “I am.”

And Manoah said, “Now when your words come true, what is to be the child's manner of life, and what is his mission?” And the angel of the LORD said to Manoah, “Of all that I said to the woman let her be careful. She may not eat of anything that comes from the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, or eat any unclean thing. All that I commanded her let her observe.”

Manoah said to the angel of the LORD, “Please let us detain you and prepare a young goat for you.” And the angel of the LORD said to Manoah, “If you detain me, I will not eat of your food. But if you prepare a burnt offering, then offer it to the LORD.” (For Manoah did not know that he was the angel of the LORD.)

And Manoah said to the angel of the LORD, “What is your name, so that, when your words come true, we may honor you?” And the angel of the LORD said to him, “Why do you ask my name, seeing it is wonderful?”

So Manoah took the young goat with the grain offering, and offered it on the rock to the LORD, to the one who works wonders, and Manoah and his wife were watching. And when the flame went up toward heaven from the altar, the angel of the LORD went up in the flame of the altar. Now Manoah and his wife were watching, and they fell on their faces to the ground.

**PSALM – Psalm 34:1-9** (*Said alternatingly whole verse by whole verse, Congregation*)

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

**I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**

Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

**THE SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 7:1-10 English Standard Version (ESV)**

**The Priestly Order of Melchizedek**

For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace.

He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever. See how great this man was to whom Abraham the patriarch gave a tenth of the spoils!

And those descendants of Levi who receive the priestly office have a commandment in the law to take tithes from the people, that is, from their brothers, though these also are descended from Abraham. But this man who does not have his descent from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises.

It is beyond dispute that the inferior is blessed by the superior. In the one case tithes are received by mortal men, but in the other case, by one of whom it is testified that he lives. One might even say that Levi himself, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, for he was still in the loins of his ancestor when Melchizedek met him.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: English Standard Version (ESV)**

The Special Holy Gospel Reading, according to St. Timothy the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter.

**Glory to you Oh Lord.**

**Pray for All People**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you Oh Christ.**

**SERMON** "By Christ Alone, What Does This Mean?"

**Pastor Steve Dygert**

**SERMON HYMN:** # 53 – Fairest Lord Jesus – vs. 1,3,4

**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles Creed (C)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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.**

**THE OFFERING:**

*After the consecration of the Offering, we will sing the Doxology.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:**

**PRAYERS OF PRAISE,**

Let us Pray:

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PREPARATION OF THE TABLE**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**THE DISTRIBUTION**

**THE COMMUNION BLESSING**

**HYMN** - # 155 – All Glory, Laud, and Honor – vs. 1, 4,5

**THE BENEDICTION, FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND THE DISMISSAL**

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord! C.

**Thanks be to God**

+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +

**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, ***please place your cell phones on muted*** for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**SUMMER NEWSLETTER COMING SOON!** If you have items you'd like included in the next newsletter, by all means please forward them to Jeanne Keyser, who is our newsletter editor. We are thinking it would be published later in July but now would be a good time to get those articles started!

**REFORMATION CELEBRATION PICNIC** – Immediately following worship next Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, at Gulf Cove Park on Gillot Blve, over the Myaska River Bridge. Please let Jeanne Keyser know if you are bringing guests for the event.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

Lead Pastor: Steve Dygert  
Our Savior Lutheran Church, LCMC  
14344 Jamison Way Port Charlotte, FL 33953  
Website: <http://www.oslc-lcmc.com>  
Office: (941) 249-5108  
Worship Time: Sunday 10 A.M.  
Bible Study: Sunday 11 A.M  
Pastor's email: [pastor@oslc-lcmc.com](mailto:pastor@oslc-lcmc.com)  
Cell Phone: (260) 417-3304