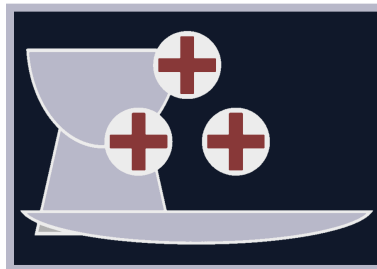


# THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

11:00 AM



TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
THE BRONX, NEW YORK

## **Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

*(Together, we seek God's forgiveness, **quietly reflecting** upon those sins of which we are aware and those sins which we committed, yet cannot recall.)*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

# Opening Hymn: Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

--LSB 868



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun Thy dai - ly  
2 In con - ver - sa - tion be sin - cere, Thy con - science  
3 All praise to Thee, who safe hast kept And hast re -  
4 Lord, I my vows to Thee re - new; Dis - perse my



stage of du - ty run; Shake off dull sloth and  
as the noon - day clear; Think how the all - see - ing  
freshed me while I slept; Grant, Lord, when I from  
sins as morn - ing dew; Guard my first springs of



joy - ful rise To pay thy morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
God thy ways And all thy se - cret thoughts sur - veys.  
death shall wake, I may of end - less light par - take.  
thought and will And with Thy - self my spir - it fill.

5- Direct, control, suggest this day  
All I design or do or say  
That all my pow'rs with all their might  
In Thy sole glory may unite.

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# Liturgy of the Holy Word

## **Apostolic Greeting**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

## **Kyrie**

*P: Lord, have mercy! C: Lord, have mercy!*

*P: Christ, have mercy! C: Christ, have mercy!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

*P: In peace, we pray to the Lord...*

*P: Lord, have mercy! C: Lord, have mercy!*

*P: Christ, have mercy! C: Christ, have mercy!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

*P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, we pray to the Lord...*

*P: Lord, have mercy! C: Lord, have mercy!*

*P: Christ, have mercy! C: Christ, have mercy!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

*P: For the peace of the world, the well-being of God's Church,  
and for our unity, we pray to the Lord...*

*P: Lord, have mercy! C: Lord, have mercy!*

*P: Christ, have mercy! C: Christ, have mercy!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

*P: For this house of God and all who worship and all who praise, we  
pray to the Lord...*

*P: Lord, have mercy! C: Lord, have mercy!*

*P: Christ, have mercy! C: Christ, have mercy!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

*P: Help us, Lord! C: Help us, Lord!*

*P: Save us, Lord! C: Save us, Lord!*

*P: Comfort, Lord! C: Comfort, Lord!*

*P: Defends us, Lord! C: Defend us, Lord!*

***ALL: Lord, have mercy!***

**Gloria (Hymn of Praise): This Is The Feast (Divine Service – Setting One)**

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

1 — Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

**Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

**C: Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

*The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die. Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.*

## Psalm 25:1-9



To you, | O LORD,\*

I lift | up my soul.

**O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame;\***  
**let not my enemies exult | over me.**

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame;\*

they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.

**Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;\***

**teach me | your paths.**

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;\*

for you I wait all the | day long.

**Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,\***

**for they have been | from of old.**

Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions;\*  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of your goodness, | O LORD!

**Good and upright | is the LORD;\*  
therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.**

He leads the humble in | what is right,\*  
and teaches the humble | his way.

**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.**

### **Epistle (Letter) Reading: Philippians 2:1-13**

*If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.*

**Verse** *(Please stand and follow the holy cross.)*

*P: Allelu – Allelu – Allelu – Alleluia! C: Praise We The LORD! (2X)*

*P: Praise We The LORD! C: Alleluia! (4X)*

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32** *(Please stand.)*

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord!**

*(after the reading)*

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ!**

*P: Allelu – Allelu – Allelu – Alleluia! C: Praise We The LORD! (2X)*

*P: Praise We The LORD! C: Alleluia! (4X)*

**Sermon**

*Sermon Reflection: What is one thing I've learned from God's Word today  
and will TAKE with me into the world?*



# Hymn of the Day: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

--LSB 655



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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## **The Apostles' Creed**

**P:** Together, let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C:** **I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church (*Closed by The Lord's Prayer*)**

**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.**

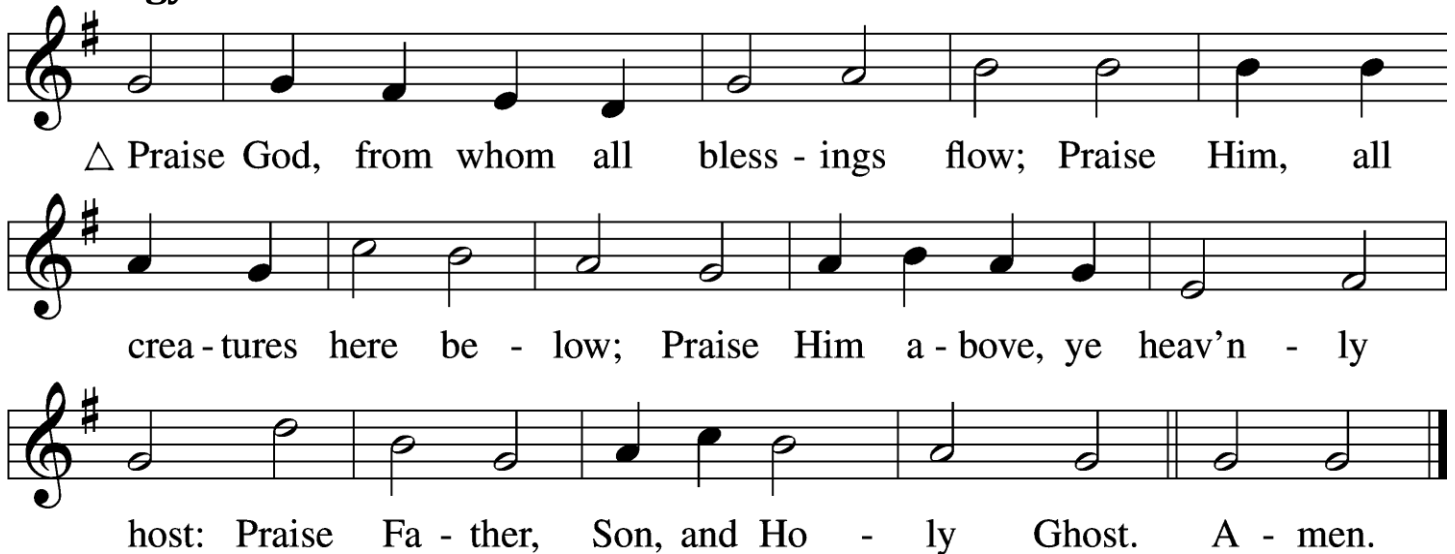
## Luther's Morning Prayer

P: Together, let us pray the Morning Prayer.

**C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**

## Doxology

-- LSB 805



△ Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly  
host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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## Benediction

P: Almighty God – the Father, the Son ✠, and the Holy Spirit – bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Closing Hymn: Great Are You Lord

--All Sons & Daughters

You give life You are love  
You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only

You give life You are love  
You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
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***Bridge (6X):***

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord

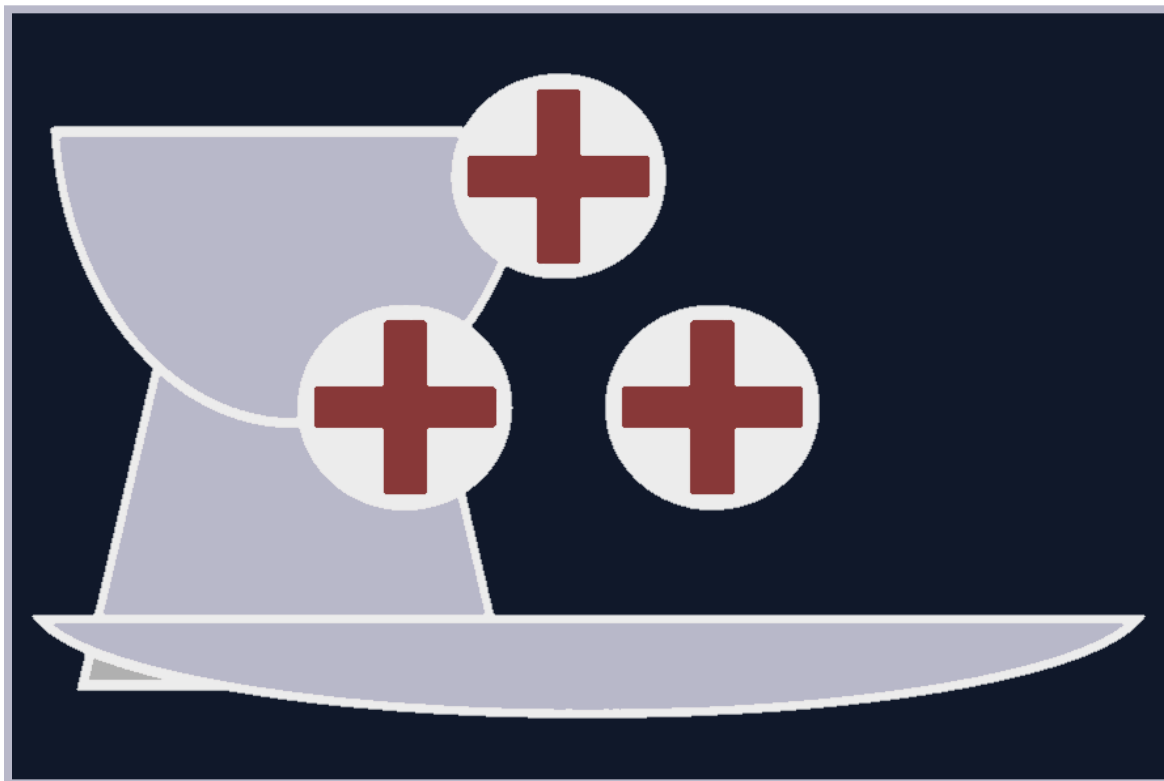
***Chorus (3X):***

It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**IN-PERSON WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CONTINUE  
EACH SUNDAY AT 11:00AM!**

**ALL OTHER IN-PERSON ACTIVITIES ARE CURRENTLY SUSPENDED**  
**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE! AS WE CONTINUE WORKING THROUGH THE**  
**CHALLENGES OF COVID-19, WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED. THANKS!**  
**PEACE & LOVE IN JESUS!!!**



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