

Rejoice in Weakness?



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 8

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Guests. Welcome to Zion. We are glad to have you with us. Please sign our guestbook located in the Narthex. About Holy Communion: We celebrate this Sacrament every Sunday at Zion. We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have repented of their sins and seek to amend their sinful life; all who believe that Jesus is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine; and all who believe that through the words "given and shed for you" forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given. If this is your confession then come with a thankful heart and join us. See p.329, 330 in the front part of the hymnal for guidance in preparing to receive Holy Communion. We also offer gluten free wafers please notify Elder ahead of time that you would appreciate the gluten free.

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 Old Testament Reading, Ezekiel is sent to rebellious Israel to speak the Word of the Lord. Likewise, in the Gospel, Jesus comes to His hometown to teach, but He is rejected. And in the Epistle, we find the theme in its clearest depiction as Paul boasts and rejoices in his weakness, because when he is weak, then he is strong, and God most clearly showcases His power, grace, and mercy.

Altar Guild for July:

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Order of Worship

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Opening Hymn:

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

LSB 905

Sermon Hymn:

"On Eagles' Wings"

LSB 727

Sermon

The Prayers

Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer**

The Offering

Communion Hymns:

“**Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness**” **LSB 563**

“**By Grace I’m Saved**” **LSB 566**

“**O Jesus, Bledded Lord, to Thee**” **LSB 632**

Closing Hymn:

“**You Are the Way; through You Alone**” **LSB 526**

Introit for Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

For the LORD has chosen Zion; **he has desired it for his dwelling place:**

“This is my resting place forever; **here I will dwell, for I have desired it.**

I will abundantly bless her provisions; **I will satisfy her poor with bread.**

Her priests I will clothe with salvation, **and her saints will shout for joy.”**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

Collect for Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2:1–5

(Ezekiel is sent to Israel, a nation of rebels, with God’s Word.)

1 He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.”

2 And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

3 And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day.

4 The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’

5 And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 12:1–10

(We rejoice in our weaknesses because they showcase the power, mercy, and grace of Christ.)

1 I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord.

2 I 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.

3 And 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—

4 and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter.

5 On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.

6 Though 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.

7 So 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.

8 Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave 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 of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

10 For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1–13

(Jesus is rejected in His hometown but sends out the twelve disciples to proclaim repentance, cast out demons, and heal the sick.)



1 [Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.

2 And 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?”

3 Is 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.

4 And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.”

5 And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them.

6 And he marveled because of their unbelief. And he went about among the villages teaching.

7 And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

8 He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—

9 but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics.

10 And 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.”

12 So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent.

13 And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

Announcements

From the Board of Stewardship and Evangelism:

2 Corinthians 12:10 – “For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships,

persecutions, and calamities.” Paul found contentment in Christ. To be content means to accept what the Lord gives us at any given time as somehow being from the hand of the Father who wants to bless us. Sometimes it’s hard to see how things like hardships, calamities, and insults will turn out for a blessing: but that is why Paul found this contentment in Christ and not in his own wisdom.



July/August grapevine is ready to be picked up

The Pewpoint

THEME OF THE DAY

The Ministers of Christ Are Sent with His Authority to Forgive Sins and Give Life

The prophet Ezekiel was raised up by the Spirit of the Lord and sent to speak an unpopular Word to the rebellious house of Israel. As a prophet, he was not to speak his own word, but to preach the Law and the Gospel: *“Thus says the Lord GOD,”* whether the people *“hear or refuse to hear”* (Ezek. 2:4–5). So, too, in the footsteps of the prophets before Him, the Lord Jesus *“went about among the villages teaching”* (Mark 6:6). In His hometown, as elsewhere, *“many who heard him were astonished,”* marveling at His wisdom and at the *“mighty works done by his hands,”* and yet *“they took offense at him”* (Mark 6:2–3). The offense culminates in His cross, which is, ironically, the heart and center of His *“authority over the unclean spirits”* (Mark 6:7). It is by that

authority of His cross that those He sends preach repentance, “*cast out many demons*” and heal the sick (Mark 6:12–13). Thus, the apostle Paul boasts in the cross of Christ and in his own weaknesses, knowing that God’s grace is sufficient and that the power of Christ “*is made perfect in weakness*” (2 Cor. 12:8–9).

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Monday 7pm
Thursday

Mid-Week Service
Bread & Roses @ Immanuel

HERE'S
THE
SCOOP!



The Ice Cream Social posters are ready to be picked up if anyone knows of a good place for a poster please take them and advertise for us – a big thank you to Kris K for the nice job.

We also have the sign up sheets in the narthex if you’re willing to donate some of the items that we need or if you want to just donate money, we’ll be glad to use it towards items that we need. Also the sign up sheets for working are in the narthex too.

BREAD *and* ROSES

We have the sign-up sheets ready for the Bread and Roses – this is such a full-filling event. You can either sign up to donate food or donate your time. Anyone is welcome to help serve food....



Our Sunday school might be low in numbers but we are high in sprite. We averaged three to seven children per week. Thank goodness we have been blessed with wonderful teacher that are not only gifted but flexible.

I want to thank everyone that has helped with Sunday School. Our children are so important and its nice to see that we have so many people that care.

Marti



Music at Historic Trinity

A Workshop for Church Musicians:

"Discovering New Repertoire and Improving Techniques"
Christiane Ben Cull (organ and choir) and John Henke (piano)

Saturday, August 18, 2018, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM
NOTE NEW LOCATION:
Faith Lutheran Church

WITZMIST Division Rd., Germantown WI 53022



Ben Carl is Managing Editor of National Publications at the Lutheran Corporation. An active composer, he writes & organizes and directs our choir at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church in Winnetka, Ill., U.S.A.

Dr. John Schultz is organist and choir director at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, music editor for AGS:HR Publishing, and director of the Milwaukee Handel? Ensemble. He also composes choral, instrumental, and organ music.



Dear Friends: Thank you for your presence and interest in following the denominational history of Historic Trinity on May 15. Our 250th Anniversary celebration music series will continue in subsequent weeks. We're pleased to announce the 2018 workshop. Keep October 21 on your calendar. We hope to have over 200 people for the "Discovering Church's History" series.

To register, email john.behnke@csaw.edu

Please include your name, phone number, email address, and name of church.

Fee: \$25 (Attract one, two, or all three sessions for \$25)

- 9:00 AM—10:15 AM: Organ Workshop & New Music Reading Session
- 10:15 AM—10:45 AM: Coffee Break
- 10:45 AM—12:15 PM: Choral Workshop & New Music Reading Session
- 12:15 PM—1:30 PM: Lunch on your own or under a box lunch (approx. \$13.00)
- 1:30 PM—3:00 PM: Handbell Workshop & New Music Reading Session

Music Purchase Available on Site at 20% Discount

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Bread & Roses – July 12th – sign up sheets are available in the narthex July.

St. Louis Trip – July 28th to August 4. Sign up sheet is in the back.

Ice Cream Social will be August 8th

August 18th – A workshop for Church Musicians – **NEW LOCATION**