

**Zion Lutheran Church, Glen Rock, PA**  
**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**WOV Holy Communion Setting Five**  
**Sunday, September 19, 2021**

\*We stand as we are able.

**Introduction to the day**

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**\*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**      WOV p.10

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**Amen.**

**\*ENTRANCE HYMN: “Before You, Lord, We Bow”**      LBW #401 vs. 1,2

**\*GREETING**      WOV p. 28

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**FIRST READING:** Jeremiah 11:18-20

<sup>18</sup>It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!”

<sup>20</sup>But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 54**

<sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, by your name;  
in your might, defend my cause.

<sup>2</sup>**Hear my prayer, O God;**  
**give ear to the words of my mouth.**

<sup>3</sup>For the arrogant have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my  
life, those who have no regard for God.

<sup>4</sup>**Behold, God is my helper;**  
**it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who spy on me;  
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

<sup>6</sup>**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice**  
**and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from every trouble,  
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

## SECOND READING: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth.

<sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.<sup>4:</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8a</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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### GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.

**Glorify to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it,<sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **CHILDREN’S TIME AND SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY: “In Christ There Is No East or West”** LBW #359 vs. 1,4

**\*APOSTLES’ CREED**

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**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 to the dead.  
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 catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Made children and heirs of God’s promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of community, we pray for the church around the world. Unite us in our love for you. Help us overcome our divisions, that we are encouraged to work together for your sake. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of creation, we pray for this hurting earth. Awaken in us a new desire to care for this world and empower us to support agencies, organizations, and individual efforts to heal our environment. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of cooperation, we pray for nations of the world embroiled in conflict. Inspire leaders to listen to each other and work towards peaceful solutions to disagreements. Protect the vulnerable, especially children, who cannot find safety in their home or country. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of comfort, we pray for all who live with mental or physical illness. Help them find appropriate care. Bring healing and wholeness when the path forward seems bleak. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, we pray for the young people of this congregation. Renew in us your call to welcome the children in our midst. As they grow, strengthen their faith and our commitment to them. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of consolation, we give you thanks for our loved ones who have died and pray for all who grieve today. Shine your grace on all your saints. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

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The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Staying in your pew, please exchange the peace with those around you as appropriate. Wave to folks in other pews.*

**\*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING: “Let the vineyards”**

WOV p.35



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were



sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u- nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore- taste of the feast to come.

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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Let us pray.

Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

WOV p.36

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and, as he had promised, poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son,

Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

**\*COMMUNION**

*As the pastor says the following words, please take a piece of bread.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

**Amen.**

*As the pastor says the following words, please take a drink of wine or grape juice.*

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**

*After all have communed, the minister says:*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen**



## **\*POST- COMMUNION PRAYER**

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Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **\*BLESSING**

WOV p.41

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Amen**

## **\*SENDING HYMN: “*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*”**

LBW #370 vs. 1, 2

## **POSTLUDE**

### **DISMISSAL**

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Today’s communion elements are sponsored by Evie Roser.

Today’s altar flower arrangement is presented to the Glory of God and in celebration of the life of Troy Goodling, with loving thoughts by the Goodling family.

Today’s high altar flower arrangements are presented in honor of Gail, Joan and Shirley Seitz’s September birthdays, by Dave Seitz.

### **SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 09/26/21**

Num 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29, Ps 19:7-14, James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Don Miller, Brian Phelps, Gloria & Jim Ream,  
LeMos & Susette Stallard, Karl & Annette Steger

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Services are videotaped and streamed live each week.** It is possible during recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concern about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

**Next Sunday is Loose Change Sunday.** September’s offering will be combined with Harvest Home donations and given to the South York Food Pantry.

**Harvest Home Sunday, Oct. 3 - Join in celebrating God’s bountiful harvest this fall by donating non-perishable foods for the South York Food Pantry.**

Please place all donations by the altar. If you prefer to donate cash or a check, please specify Harvest Home.

**Upcoming Lectors:**

- Sept. 19 – Linda Beegle
- Sept. 26 – Shirley Seitz
- Oct. 3 – Sandy Fair
- Oct. 10 – Diane Bortner
- Oct. 17 – George Brown
- Oct. 24 – Donna Price
- Oct. 31 – Bill Ream

**Council Offering Duty:**

- September – Carrie Miller and Rick Freda
- October – Joy Keller-Brown and George Brown

**Altar Care:**

- September – Diane Bortner
- October – Donna Price

**If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.**

**PERSONNEL here at ZION**

- Pastor Paul Haack, Stated Sunday Supply Pastor
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**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Donna Price, Joy Keller-Brown, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, George Brown, Carrie Miller, Edgar Davis and Gevene Harden, Rick Freda

## FINANCIAL Information for YOU

### Weekly Contributions and Expenses

**2021 Weekly contribution goal to cover budget expenses: \$2,471.00**

9/12/2021 Regular Contributions \$ 4,784.00

Other Contributions/Gifts +\$ 0.00

-\$ 2,129.00 *Dedicated Dollars*

\$ 2,655.00 Contributions to cover Expenses

Weekly Expenses: \$ 0.00

### Cumulative Contributions and Expenses for 2021

Regular Contributions \$ 69,251.42

Other Contributions/Gifts + \$ 9,796.97

*Dedicated Dollars* - \$ 13,864.56

Contributions to cover Expenses \$ 65,183.83

Expenses to date: \$ 79,922.78

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