



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost—Lectionary 27
Sunday, October 6, 2019: 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Bismarck, ND
Pastor Nadine Lehr and Pastor Beth Walch

A little faith goes a long way is our Lord's point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in water and the word (holy baptism), bread and wine (holy communion), the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Today's worship service is taken from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) service book and hymnal. Please turn to Setting III, pp. 138-146, for the order of the service and to the back of the book for the hymns.

Light type = Presiding and Assisting Ministers; **Bold type = Congregation**

Gathering Hymn: ELW #526, "God Is Here!"

Greeting and Kyrie, pp. 138-139 (*Psalms 4:1 6:2, 9:13, 25:16, 27:7, 30:10, 31:9, 51:1, 86:16, 123:3*)

Hymn of Praise, "This is the Feast," pp. 140-141 (*Revelations 5:12-13*)

Prayer of the Day

Benevolent, merciful God: **When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

Welcome and Announcements (*please pass the Friendship Pad*)

Temple Talk—Sheryl Hardy

Psalm: Psalm 37:1-9 (*read responsively*)

¹ Do not fret because of the wicked;

do not be envious of wrongdoers,

² **for they will soon fade like the grass,**

and wither like the green herb.

³ Trust in the LORD, and do good;
so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

⁴ **Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.

⁶ **He will make your vindication shine like the light,
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.**

⁷ Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;
do not fret over those who prosper in their way,
over those who carry out evil devices.

⁸ **Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.**

Do not fret—it leads only to evil.

⁹ For the wicked shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. ³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. ⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you

have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation, "Alleluia," p. 142 (*John 6:68*)

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' ⁶The Lord replied, 'If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. ⁷'Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the table"? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink"? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

'Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Pastor Beth Walch

Hymn of the Day: ELW #769, "If You But Trust in God to Guide You"

Reception of New Members

After the new members have been introduced, the pastor and congregation (bold type) will welcome the members with the following words: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as fellow members of the Body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, and workers with us in the kingdom of God.

Prayers of Intercession, p. 143

At the conclusion of each petition, the minister and the congregation will say: "Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer."

Sharing of the Peace, p. 143 (*John 20:19*)

We greet one another with the words, "Peace be with you."

Offering & Noisy Offering

Special Music: (8:30) Lord of Life Choir, "The Journey Home"

Offertory ELW #182, "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

Offertory Prayer

Communion

Dialogue, p. 144

Preface, p. 144

Sanctus, "Holy, Holy, Holy," p. 144

Words of Institution (*Matthew 26:26-28*)

Lord's Prayer (*contemporary version, left side*), **p. 145** (*Matthew 6:9-13*)

Distribution

Time for Reflection

"Lamb of God," p. 146 (*John 1:29*)

ELW #759, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

ELW #493, "Taste and See"

ELW #635, "We Walk by Faith"

Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Canticle, ELW #204, "Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise" (*Psalms 9*)

Post-Communion Prayer

Blessing and Dismissal, p. 146

Sending Hymn: ELW #705, "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Worship Participants: Preaching & Presiding: Beth Walch; **Assisting:** (8:30)

Sarah Carlson (11:00) Bruce Boe; **Communion Assistants:** (8:30) Linda

Simmons (11:00); **Ushers:** (8:30) (11:00) Sheryl & Perry Hardy; **Acolyte:**

(8:30) Emma Reich (11:00) Kyle Bubach; **Pianist:** Nancy Kleingartner; **Song**

Leaders: (8:30) Nora Salvesson (11:00) Ruby Altringer; **October Altar Guild:**

Terri Bear, Stephanie Swanson, Mirna Stromme, and Carrie Streyle; **Powerpoint:**

Reid Halvorson

Prayers at Lord of Life: Layne Billings, Judy Swenson, John O'Brien, Andre

Stephenson, Rev. Richard Beckmen, Hugh Gustafson, Brad Kjos, Diane

Chepulis, Steve Schmidt, Shae (Hug) Byrum, Al Reiner, Sonja Nelson, Ervin

Jose, Faye Barry, Elias Schiele, Brandon Byrum, Karen Krauth, Deb Benson,

Burnie Kunz, Tim Johnson, Ellen Bartz, Mary Ann Remmich, Donna

Zimmerman, Jim Boyd, Sandi Papke.

Sympathies to the family and friends of Chris Becker.

Flowers are given today by: Patsy & Jim Holland in loving memory of Melissa Holland.

Stewardship Info:

Attendance – Sun. (9-29): 224 **Wed.** (10-2): 102 **Offering:** General \$7,973.35

August Expenses: \$46,443.26 **August Income:** \$45,472.28

Annual Expenses through August: \$374,909.77

Annual Income through August: \$387,897.42

October Service Group Leaders: Rod & Teresa McLachlan (223-2901)

Volunteers: Members with last names starting with “Hon” through “Kem”

Worship Helps: Nursery is open, but not regularly staffed. Parents may use it as needed. An Infant care room is on the south side of the sanctuary. Large print bulletins, a wheelchair and a walker, and personal p.a. devices are available from the ushers’ station. Activity bags for children are available on the tree rack in the narthex. Children’s bulletins are available by the Activity Bags. “I Give Electronically” cards are available in the lobby near the children’s bulletins.

Today we will serve Holy Communion in worship. Those who come to receive the gifts of Christ’s body and blood for the strengthening of their faith and the forgiveness of their sins are welcome to eat and drink. Taste and see that the Lord is good!

For Communion: Grape juice is always available. Simply indicate “grape juice, please” when you get to the server. "Gluten free” communion wafers are available. Simply indicate “gluten free” to the server when you come to the communion station." If you need separate wine or grape juice please request that also.

Could God be calling you? We are still in need of a 5th grade Wednesday School teacher! If you are interested in helping out please let Betsy Debertin know.

The **2019 Flower Chart** is up in the gathering area. You are welcome to take the flowers after the last service. Flowers not picked up by Monday morning will be taken to shut-ins. If your message does not fit on the line, please contact the church office with that information.

FLOWER CHART OPENINGS



November 10	1 Bouquet	November 24	1 Bouquet
December 8	2 Bouquets	December 29	2 Bouquets



COMMUNION ASSISTANT OPENINGS

October 13	8:30 & 11:00	October 27	8:30
November 3	8:30 & 11:00	November 10	8:30 & 11:00

USHER OPENINGS

October 20	8:30 & 11:00	October 27	8:30 & 11:00
November 3	8:30 & 11:00	November 10	8:30 & 11:00

Adult Education: Join us today, October 6th at 9:45 am for Worship 101—Meal. We will conclude the series on October 13 with “Sending”. The study guide and article is found on our Lord of Life website under adult education. We resume adult forums in November.

We will be sorting items for the baby care kits tomorrow, October 7th at 10:00 am and putting the kits together and packing them at 2:00 pm. Any extra hands are appreciated and will help speed the process up. If you have any questions, please contact Barb Wrolstad at 391-8640.

Thank you to all who donated towards the cost of repairs to the basement! With your help we raised \$6,657.00. A special thank you to those that helped prep, cook, serve and clean up for the meal, your help was greatly appreciated!

October is Pregnancy and Infant loss month. We remember this at Lord of Life at our services this week, with prayer. When you come forward for communion, please feel free to take a stone in remembrance of any loss you may have experienced.

Mark your calendars for the celebration of the Cropwalk's 50th Anniversary!

Plan to join us on Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 12:30 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Bismarck. If you cannot participate in the walk still please join us for light refreshments to follow the walk.

October is Clergy Appreciation Month. Lord of Life Lutheran Church appreciates Pastors Nadine and Beth. Please take time to thank them for their spiritual gifts and faithful service to God and to our church.

Wednesday October 9th: 7th & 8th grade small groups meet, 9th graders have class with Pastor Beth. October 16th there will be no class for Teacher's Convention.

From The Stewardship Team: We now begin our annual stewardship campaign. We ask that you read and prayerfully consider the stewardship information you receive in the mail and bring your Estimate of Giving for 2020 to the Consecration Service on either **Sunday, October 13 or Wednesday, October 16.** By returning your Estimate of Giving for 2020 you will help to make it possible for the Church Council to better plan the direction and programs for Lord of Life's mission for the upcoming year.

Nurtured Heart Parenting Class! Join us for this powerful parenting class that helps parents uplift their child/ren's gifts and set firm boundaries. Angie Bolme, an Advanced Nurtured Heart Trainer, will be teaching the class. **Class will be Sundays October, 13th, 20th, and 27th, from 2:00 - 4:00 each day.** The class is free, but participants will need to purchase a book for \$20. If you are interested, please email bdebertin@midconetwork.com.

Young at Hearts welcome you on Tuesday, October 22 at 11:30 for a humorous look at our Lutheran heritage. We ask that you please bring jello for a contest in four categories: Most Wiggly/Most Colorful/Healthiest/Most Lutheran. We will all vote and there will be a prize for each category. We will serve a traditional potluck of macaroni goulash, pickles, buns, jello, krumkake, and egg coffee. Norwegian jokes and laughter are guaranteed. (tune: "The Church's One Foundation") The church's one foundation is coffee, don't you know? It's always at our pot lucks with 3 kinds of jello. Please sign up at the information desk.

There's a NEW THING at Lord Life! Did you know. . . Church + Family = Chumily. Chumily is a group intended for any family with children ages birth to sixth grade (and older siblings too). We will be having regular FAMILY activities. Check out the LOL FB page "events" for details about all upcoming adventures. Please let us know if you can come by clicking "going" or drop Betsy Debertin an email (bdebertin@midconetwork.com). Our first event is Saturday, October 26 - check out the FB event for all the details.

LOL Book Club will meet Wednesday, October 16, at 4:45 pm. The book is "The Fixer Upper" by Mary Kay Andrews. After her boss is caught in a political scandal, fledgling lobbyist Dempsey Jo Killebrew is left almost broke, unemployed, and homeless. She reluctantly accepts her father's offer to help refurbish Birdsong, the old family place he recently inherited in Guthrie, Georgia. However, Dempsey is in for a surprise when she arrives and discovers the moldering Pepto Bismol-pink dump. There's also a grumpy, elderly distant cousin, who has claimed squatter's rights and isn't moving out. What started as a job of necessity becomes a labor of love and a journey that takes her to a place she never expected.

Be sure to complete and turn in the Time and Talent Sheets and the Let's Connect form! The Time and Talent Sheets let the church know how you would like to be involved on committees and making decisions for Lord of Life. The Let's Connect forms let us know what your likes/dislikes/interests/hobbies are. If you sell Tupperware, Jewelry, if you're a plumber, like to bowl, let us know and we will get people together! All forms can be turned in to the church office. Forms are available on the information desk.

Looking ahead: November is the Food Drive. December 7th is our 2nd Annual Advent Event from 3:30-5:30...for everyone! We will be making Advent wreaths, assembling treat bags for our shut ins, making a simple decoration, tying fleece blankets, and decorating cookies! **If you have 2 yards of fleece to donate,** it would be much appreciated and can be dropped off at the church office.

If anyone has an address or phone number change, or has updated their photo, let us know! We can update the directory at any time, just email or turn a picture into the office.

Valley View Heights Assisted Living (A ministry of Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center) is seeking gifts for our tenants for a special Christmas project. This is year 3 of the Christmas Stocking Project, where staff puts together a personalized Christmas stocking for all of our tenants. Some of the items tenants receive in their stockings have been combs/brushes, eyeglass cleaning cloths, toothpaste, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, lotion/soap, Chap Stick, treats, crossword/word search puzzles and etc. If you are able and willing to provide an item for our Christmas stocking project, please contact Stephanie at 701-221-3018 for more information.

High School students, join Pastor Beth and Youth Director Reid for coffee before school Thursdays in October! It will be like Pub Theology but at Boneshakers Coffee Shop (1501 Mapleton Ave, Bismarck, ND 58503) at 6:45am. **Attention: LOL Confirmation Students through 12th Graders!! Could you use a little of the “green stuff” (money – that is) for use at Lord of Life sponsored youth events (trips, camp, etc.)??** If you are willing to attend choir practices from 9:45-10:45 on Sunday mornings AND if you are willing to sing with the choir at Sunday services, the Lord of Life choir is willing to give you a scholarship each semester. This scholarship is for your use at Lord of Life youth events. You will get a chance to sing, you will get a little “green stuff” for youth events and you will be giving glory to God! What a deal! Interested? Call Nora Salveson (choir director) at 471-1092.

The Cozy Comfort group meets on the first Monday of the month at 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. through fall, winter and mid spring. The dates for our upcoming meetings are as follows: October 7, November 4, December 2, January 6, February 3, March 2 and April 6 in the church library. Please mark your calendars and come and join us—we are always open to new friends! This year we are trying something new and expanding into Lovie Blankets for children who are caught in stressful situations. If you are interested, but don’t know how to knit or crochet, we would be happy to help you get started. If you can’t make the meetings but want to knit or crochet prayer shawls on your own, that will work too. If you have questions about joining the group or about the Cozy Comfort ministry, please contact Deb Knudsen at 701-220-8688. **If you know of someone who could use a prayer shawl, please contact one of the pastors through the church office or Coralyn Hoovestol at 255-1401.** There is no charge for the shawls and a person does not have to belong to Lord of Life to receive a shawl.

The East Missouri Cluster Fall Gathering is being held on October 12, 2019 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Napoleon. The theme is *God, Me and a Cup of Tea*. The guest speaker is Pastor Beth Walch with Lord of Life. She will be speaking on 12 Step Groups which give structure and “*accountibili-tea*” to program of recovery but also a way to find a power greater than ourselves (God) that is more powerful than the disease. Love Gifts will go to the F5 Project and Twila Schumacher Johnson will explain more about this re-entering society after prison mission. Things needed for the Love Gifts are cleaning products, paper products, twin bedding and new pillows to be used in residences. **Registration is from 9-10. Lunch is \$12 and can be paid at registration.**

Save the date: The October Youth Event will take place on Saturday, October 26th at 7:00 pm. Come to the church and spend an evening showing off your skills at pumpkin carving and decorating! This is BYOP (bring your own pumpkin). Supplies and pizza will be provided.

On Sunday, October 13, we will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the CROP Walk. We are fortunate to receive John McCullough, the president and CEO of CROP, as our guest preacher in Sunday morning worship. Please make a point to worship and celebrate with us. We walk so that hungry people will get fed.

Stewardship Bible References Time Talent Treasure

The more that we are given, the more that will be required of us

Luke 12: 47-48

Leviticus 5: 7-13

Stewardship involves the giving of our Time, our Talents, and our Treasure. We pray you will take the time to read the bible verse (s) above and discuss them with your family. As you **Know** more about God’s desire for us to be good stewards, we hope you will **Grow** in your faith and be better prepared to **Go** into the world as one of his disciples.

The Stewardship Team



New Members received at Lord of Life today are:

Valorie Cartwright
Sponsor: Ruby Altringer

AJ & Jacey Chmielewski
Sponsors: Alex & Alexis Stastny

Janet Cutler

Cecil, Isoline & Celine Daniels
Sponsor: Lucas & Sara Brendel

Dallas & Jessica Fry
Sponsor: Deb Burke

Joyce Steinle
Sponsor: Justin & Jill Steinle

John & Alice Westby
Sponsor: Jim & Mary Ann Gray

Happening this week at Lord of Life

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am-3:00 pm

Closed daily for lunch from 11:00 am - Noon

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Sun., October 6

Noisy Offering

8:30 am: Worship & New Member Recognition

9:45 am: Adult Education

9:45 am: Sunday School

11:00 am: Worship & New Member Recognition

Tues., October 8

9:00 am: Staff Meeting

5:30 pm: Logo Team Meeting

7:00 pm: Council Meeting

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts

Wed., October 9

6:15 pm: Worship

7:00 pm: Church School/Confirmation Small Group

7:00 pm: Crossways

Thurs., October 10

Bulletin Deadline @ 12:00 pm

5:30 pm: Bio Girls

Sat., October 12

8:30 am: Men's Bible Study

9:00 am: East Missouri Cluster Fall Gathering in Napoleon

9:30 am: Quilts place on pews

Sun., October 13

Consecration Sunday

Quilt Sunday

8:30 am: Worship

9:45 am: Adult Education

9:45 am: Sunday School

11:00 am: Worship & Baptism

12:00 pm: Confirmation Banquet

2:00 pm: Nurtured Heart Parenting class held in the conference room

5:00 pm: Eagle Scout Court of Honor in F.H.