

October 2, 2022
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
10 A.M.

THE Gathering

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GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Song Everything

Confession and Forgiveness

God, you loved this world so much that you sent your own son, Jesus Christ to live and die among us, in order that we might have life.

Forgive us for keeping that abundant life to ourselves, for jealously hoarding your generous gifts, for choosing self-interest over compassion and justice. Teach us what it means to live as children of the light, generously sharing your abundance with our brothers and sisters in need. Amen.

God, you love us so much that you sent your own son, Jesus Christ to live and die among us, in order that we might have forgiveness.

We are forgiven! Amen!

Worship Song Stand in Your Love

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. 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.

WORD

Reading 2 Timothy 1:8-14

Lori Ramirez

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.

Reading Luke 17:5-10

Lori Ramirez

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 plowing 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!'"

Sermon Pastor Bonnie Gerber

Worship Song You Never Let Go

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

We pray for your holy church in every place and for those who serve following the example of Christ. Help them to live by faith and walk by the light of your gospel.

For parts of the world ravaged by natural disaster. Give relief to those affected by floods, wildfires, droughts, earthquakes, tornadoes, and hurricanes.

For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick, especially those listed in our bulletin and all others we name before you now.

In thanksgiving that you have abolished death, and for the saints who have died (*especially*). Bring us all to eternal life with you.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us share God's peace with one another.

Ignite Faith Together

VISITORS – If you are visiting with us today, we warmly welcome you! And, we ask that you complete the visitor information form found inside your bulletin. You can drop it in the offering plate at the doors as you leave today.

TABLE TALK – Young Adults are invited from 6 – 8 p.m. this coming Thursday night, October 6, for a meal (church is providing Jimmy Johns), study and fellowship.
Young Adults: 1 year out of high school through age 30.

STEWARDSHIP TEMPLE TALK – Tim and Joyce Lohner

MEAL AND SENDING

Words of Institution

Loving God, you unite us through the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ, and give us equal access to this forgiveness and new life found in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. In this sacrament, may we believe in the love and new life that we've been given from you.

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.

Prayer

Let us pray. O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Offering

We continue to give thanks for your faithful giving. If you are worshiping in person, the offering basket is on the table by the entrance doors. You may also continue to give online (e-Giving tab on website) or by mailing or bringing your offering to the church office.

Worship Song For Such a Time as This

Blessing and Dismissal

As you enter a new week, may you experience God's presence. May you feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit over your heads and your thoughts and the words of your lips, over your hearts and your feelings and emotions and your compassion for all others, and over your hands and your feet as you put into action all that God commands you. During this week, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with each of you.

Go in peace, empowered by the Holy Spirit to do good works.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sympathies are expressed to:

friends and family of Diane Dammeyer on her death on September 26;

Orrin, Clara and Sherry Buckley on the death of Orrin and Clara's daughter and Sherry's sister, Debbie Vanover on September 26.

Prayers:

Emily Davis, Jeff and Robbie Cosby, Betty Schuette, Kathy Jones, Dean Miller, Bob and Brigitte McKay, David Quist family, Kinzley Schmehl, Donna Crossman, Lucille Buller, Russ Wheeler, Gloria Mortinger, John Moneysmith, Ralph Podas, Bob Duff, Ron and Peg Margello, Charlene Friedley, Marcia Bollinger, Donna Peltomaa, Rick Meister, Neal Scharrer, Richard Crawford, Lorraine Jurgensen, Marilyn Swisher, Louann Irwin (Julie Rosales' and Susan White's aunt), Brian and Bonnie Peltomaa (Donna Peltomaa's son and daughter-in-law), Larry Baumiller (George Schmidt's brother-in-law), Jonathan Cavaness (Lynn Nadler's brother), Olivia Maynard (Sandy Weides' granddaughter), Marion Dengg and Gloria Paolillo (Mona Deringer's sisters), Duane Pride (Doug Pride's brother), Eileen Hurless and Myra Hurless (Marcie Edgell's sister and niece), Dean Wheeler (Russ Wheeler's nephew), Carol Hauzie (Craig Hauzie's mother), Amanda Glassburn (Betty Schuette's granddaughter), Sam Walters (Sue Wolford's brother), Gary Jones and Jim Jones (Kay Labosky's brothers), Alex Burrell (Marj Ellis' and Marchelle O'Grady's nephew), Patti Bramson (Rick Kolloff's sister), Carol Keplinger (Charlene Friedley's daughter)

Missionaries: John Rogers (Bratislava, Slovakia), Rev. David and Alicia Brondos (Mexico City, Mexico)

Prayer Chain: If you have any special prayer concerns, please contact the church office (614-885-0112) or aslc@saintsonhigh.org; all requests are confidential.