Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. We invite you to worship with us again! Restrooms are in the basement near the steps in the back of the church.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and the Sacraments. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 304 (31, 273) **Communion:** 154 (19, 135) **Bible Study:** 65 (3, 3, 6, 31, 6, 8, 8)

8:30 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement Thursday Sunday 8:00 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. His Word—My Life Class, basement 7:00 a.m. His Word-My Life Class, Cindy's Café Monday 8:30 a.m. Pastor-Teacher Conference at Brillion 7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study, school 7:30 p.m. Growing, Building, Together in Christ Steering Committee, school 2:00 p.m. Bible Study, church basement Tuesday 6:30 p.m. School Board Meeting Wednesday 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class 5:30 p.m. Bible History Class RRISO 6:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class 7:30 p.m. Band 8:15 p.m. Choir 1:00 p.m. Ladies Aid Meeting, church Thursday 6:00 p.m. New Life in Christ Class 7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion 8:30 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement 8:00 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 6:30 p.m. His Word—My Life Class, basement

His Word—**My Life Bible Study** will continue *A Study of World Religions* this week. Join us Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement or Monday at 7:00 a.m. at Cindy's Café.

Youth Group Bible Study will meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the school basement. Open gym will follow.

Growing, Building, Together, In CHRIST This week the Steering Committee will meet. We will discuss the recruiting of telephone callers. The training meeting for the telephone callers will be on October 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the school.

Tuesday Bible Study continues its study of The Smalcald Articles. Please join us Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. Children are welcome.

Ladies Aid will meet Thursday, October 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement.

Adult Christ Light meets Thursday after worship and on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. Please join us as we study the Bible history stories the children of the congregation will study next week.

MLHS Former Students & Parents: If you have any "old" MLHS choir or band music you've found at home or during a move, please return the pieces to MLHS as soon as possible as we are updating our cataloging system.

Repeat Performance will be having an anniversary sale from October 2 through October 7. Each day during that week will feature a variety of items on sale. Sale items will be posted in the store.

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17th Sunday after Pentecost September 28 & October 1, 2006

Peace Through Jesus Know it. Live it. Share it.

Lord, you were put to death for my sins and raised to life for my justification. Bless me as I rejoice in your resurrection today! Amen

THURSDAY

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52)

Hymns: 422, 453, 330

Psalm Prayer

God of mercy and might, through the resurrection of your Son you have freed us from the anguish of guilt and the bonds of death. Be with us on our pilgrimage and help us glorify you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 116 (p.107)

Sermon: Isaiah 50:4-10 Know The Word That Sustains The Weary It sustained The Servant It will sustain you

SUNDAY Service: Word (p. 38) **Hymns:** 422, 453, 347, 330

Prayer of the Day

Lord, we pray that your mercy and grace may always go before and follow after us that, loving you with undivided heart, we may be ready for every good and useful work; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special Music: Choir and Band *This I Know* (after Gospel) Choir Offering: *Nearer My God to Thee* Postlude: *Royal Fireworks Music*

17th Sunday after Pentecost: Series B

Trials and tribulations may cause us to doubt that God does all things well. Only the gospel promise that the suffering and victory of the Servant is ours sustains us.

First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-10

The Sovereign LORD has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. The Sovereign LORD has opened my ears, and I have not been rebellious: I have not drawn back. I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! It is the Sovereign LORD who helps me. Who is he that will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the word of his servant? Let him who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 116 (page 107)

Second Lesson: James 2:1-5,8-10,14-18

My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?

If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?"

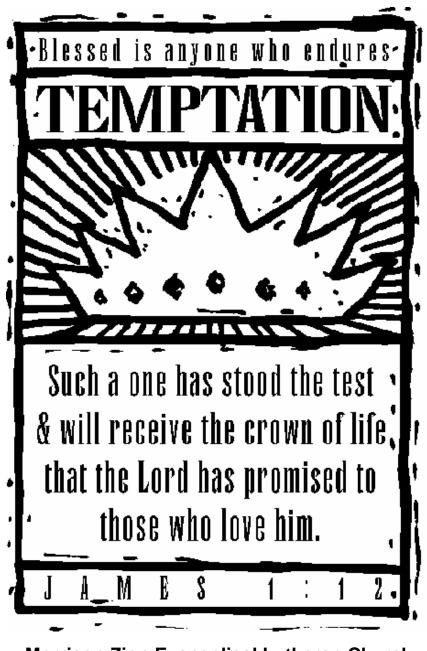
They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Christ."

Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him. He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."

Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it.



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Glorifying God as we Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel