

**The Season** The Sundays after Pentecost focus on how Christians live in response to all that God has done for us. Our series now focuses on *The Believer Has Faith...*

**The Sunday** Last Sunday we heard that faith trusts God’s power completely. This Sunday’s lessons sound the depth of that faith. Can our faith trust completely, even when faced with death itself? Facing our own mortality, or that of our loved ones, brings out the weakest parts of our character. And so, today the Church prays: Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength. The believer has faith that trusts in God’s great power—even in the face of death.

**Hymn**

*Faith is a Living Power from Heaven* CW 404



1 Faith is a liv - ing pow'r from heav'n  
 2 Faith finds in Christ what - e'er we need  
 3 Faith in the Sav - ior brings us peace  
 4 We thank you, then, O God of heav'n,  
 5 As you have prom - ised, grant each soul



That grasps the prom - ise God has giv'n,  
 To save or strength - en us in - deed;  
 And bids the mourn - er's weep - ing cease;  
 That you to us this faith have giv'n  
 Its ho - ly faith's true end and goal:



A trust that can - not be o'er - thrown,  
 Re - ceiv - ing grace from heav - en's throne  
 By faith the chil - dren's place we claim  
 Through might - y Word and sac - ra - ment  
 The bless - ed - ness no foes de - stroy,



Fixed heart - i - ly on Christ a - lone.  
 And hum - bly shar - ing cross and crown.  
 And give all hon - or to one name.  
 To trust the one whom you have sent.  
 E - ter - nal love and light and joy.

Text: Petrus Herbert, d. 1571, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
 Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.

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Our mission is to

**Glorify God**

as we

**Gather**

around the Gospel  
 to help people

**Grow**

in the Gospel  
 and

**Go**

with the Gospel

**Welcome!** We thank  
 God that you have  
 joined us at worship  
 today.

Restrooms are  
 located in the  
 basement. Hearing  
 loop headphones and  
 Large Print Hymnals  
 are available from an  
 usher.

If your children need  
 to leave worship,  
 please take them to  
 the basement. A TV  
 broadcasts the service  
 in the basement.

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

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **Confession**

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.  
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,  
For sins of habit and sins of choice,  
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,  
You should cast me away from your presence forever.  
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins, Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

**Absolution** (pronouncement of forgiveness)

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Lord, Have Mercy** *Kyrie*

*Mark 10:47*

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

**C: Amen.**

## Glory Be To God *Gloria in Excelsis* (sung)

*Luke 2:14*

1. All glory be to God on high!  
Your name, O Lord, we glorify;  
We praise you for your peace and grace,  
Your favor toward our fallen race.
2. Our grateful thanks to you we bring,  
For your great glory, heav'nly King,  
For all, O Father, you have done  
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son.
3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
You take all human sin away.  
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;  
From God's right hand, your mercy share.
4. You Christ, are holy—Lord alone;  
The Father's glory you made known.  
We by your Spirit sing again:  
"All glory be to God!" Amen.

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## THE WORD

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### Salutation

**M:** The Lord be with you

**C:** And also with you.

### Prayer of the Day

**M:** Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

*Be seated*

### First Lesson:

**1 Kings 17:17-24**

The Shunamite woman expressed her faith in the Lord by providing for the Lord's prophet, Elijah. But her faith is shaken at the death of her only son, himself a special gift from the Lord. But the Lord changes her sorrow into joy by raising her son from the dead. God was gracious to her in her weakness and gave her renewed strength of faith seen in those humble words of awe at this display of power, "Now I know

<sup>17</sup> Some time later the son of the woman who owned the house became ill. He grew worse and worse, and finally stopped breathing. <sup>18</sup> She said to Elijah, "What do you have against me, man of God? Did you come to remind me of my sin and kill my son?"

<sup>19</sup> "Give me your son," Elijah replied. He took him from her arms, carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. <sup>20</sup> Then he cried out to the LORD, "LORD my God, have you brought tragedy even on this widow I am

staying with, by causing her son to die?” <sup>21</sup> Then he stretched himself out on the boy three times and cried out to the LORD, “LORD my God, let this boy’s life return to him!”

<sup>22</sup> The LORD heard Elijah’s cry, and the boy’s life returned to him, and he lived.

<sup>23</sup> Elijah picked up the child and carried him down from the room into the house. He gave him to his mother and said, “Look, your son is alive!”

<sup>24</sup> Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD from your mouth is the truth.”(NIV)

## Psalm of the Day

## Psalm 30

*Refrain*

At the works of your hands, O Lord, I  
lift up my voice in song; I sing for joy.

*Psalm tone* \*

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Sing to the LORD, you saints of his;\*  
praise his holy name.

For his anger lasts only a moment,\*  
but his favor lasts a lifetime;

weeping may remain for a night,\*  
but rejoicing comes in the morning.

### *Refrain*

To you, O LORD, I called;\*  
to the Lord I cried for mercy.

Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me;\*  
O LORD, be my help.

You turned my wailing into dancing,\*  
that my heart may sing to you and not be silent.

**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.**

***Refrain***

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**Second Lesson**

**Philippians 1:18b-26**

Live or die, Paul is at peace with the Lord's will. The message of the risen Christ is being proclaimed. More than a prophet, Christ has come to bring life from death. Therefore, Paul knows and is confident of this: the Lord can and will bring joy even through the sorrow of death. We now know the Lord of life who took away Death's sting. In him we can rejoice with Paul who said, "To live is Christ, and to die is gain."

The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice.

Yes, and I will continue to rejoice, <sup>19</sup> for I know that through your prayers and God's provision of the Spirit of Jesus Christ what has happened to me will turn out for my deliverance. <sup>20</sup> I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! <sup>23</sup> I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; <sup>24</sup> but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me. (NIV)

**Verse of the Day**

M: Alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

*Stand*

M: The Gospel according to Luke chapter 7.

**C: Glory be to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel:**

**Luke 7:11-17**

A grieving heart finds unexpected joy as death is met by the Author of life. Leaving the people in awe at the display of his power, Jesus raises the young man of Nain from the dead. In so doing, Jesus brought joy to his mother and a promise of help to God's people. Death is powerless before the Son of God. In this young man's rising from death to life, Christ gives us a foretaste of what waits for God's people. Faith trusts in Christ—even in the face of death.

<sup>11</sup> Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. <sup>12</sup> As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. <sup>13</sup> When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.”

<sup>14</sup> Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” <sup>15</sup> The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

<sup>16</sup> They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” <sup>17</sup> This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country. (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ.**

*Be seated*

### Hymn of the Day

*When in the Hour of Utmost Need* CW 413



1 When in the hour of ut - most need We know not  
 2 Then is our com - fort this a - lone That we may  
 3 For you have prom - ised, Lord, to heed Your chil-dren's  
 4 And so we come, O God, to - day And all our  
 5 So that with all our hearts we may To you our



where to look for aid, When days and nights of  
 meet be - fore your throne; To you, O faith - ful  
 cries in time of need Through him whose name a -  
 woes be - fore you lay. Be with us in our  
 glad thanks - giv - ing pay, Then walk o - be - dient



anx - ious thought Nor help nor coun - sel yet have brought,  
 God, we cry For res - cue in our mis - er - y.  
 lone is great, Our Sav - ior and our ad - vo - cate.  
 an - guish still; Free us at last from ev - 'ry ill,  
 to your Word And now and ev - er praise you, Lord.

Text: Paul Eber, 1511–69, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
 Tune: WENN WIR IN HÖCHSTEN NÖTEN SEIN (LM) Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510–c. 1561.

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### Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### Prayer of the Church

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## THE SACRAMENT

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### Preface

**M: The Lord be with you.**

**C: And also with you.**

**M: Lift up your hearts.**

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.**

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

**M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came as the Light of the world so that the world may**

have light and life through him. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** (sung)

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

1. O holy, holy, holy  
Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Your glory, earth and heaven  
In countless ways recite.  
Hosanna! Come and save us,  
Lord God of hosts on high,  
And in your grace and mercy  
Receive our fervent cry.
2. Hosanna in the highest!  
How truly blest is he  
Who in God's name is coming  
To set his people free!  
He comes to bring salvation  
And with his blood outpoured,  
Deliver us from bondage—  
Hosanna, mighty Lord!

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.  
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.  
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.  
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C: Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

**Words of Institution**

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."



Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Lamb of God *Agnes Dei*

*John 1:29*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

*Be seated*

**Communion** Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice close communion. All WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymn

*Be Still, My Soul* CW 415



1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;  
2 Be still, my soul; your God will un - der - take  
3 Be still, my soul, though dear - est friends de - part  
4 Be still, my soul; the hour is has - t'ning on



Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain;  
To guide the fu - ture as he has the past.  
And all is dark - ened in the vale of tears;  
When we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord,



Leave to your God to or - der and pro - vide;  
Your hope, your con - fi - dence, let noth - ing shake;  
Then you will bet - ter know his love, his heart,  
When dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



In ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re - main.  
All now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.  
Who comes to soothe your sor - rows and your fears.  
Sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.



Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'n - ly friend  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
Be still, my soul; your Je - sus can re - pay  
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,



Through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
His voice who ruled them while he lived be - low.  
From his own full - ness all he takes a - way.  
All safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

Text: Catharina A. von Schlegel, 1697–1752, abr.; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–97, alt.  
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*Stand*

**Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis*** (sung)

*Luke 2:29-32*

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| 1 O Lord, now let your servant<br>Depart in peace, assured:<br>For I have seen your promised<br>incarnate, saving Word—<br>A Light that will enlighten<br>All gloom where Gentiles dwell;<br>The brilliant, crowning glory<br>Of those in Israel! | 2 All glory to the Father,<br>All glory to the Son,<br>All glory to the Spirit,<br>Forever three in one;<br>For as in the beginning,<br>Is now, shall ever be,<br>God's triune name resounding<br>Through all eternity. |
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M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Blessing**

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

*Be seated*

# Hymn

*I Leave All Things to God's Direction* CW 414:3-4



3 My God de - sires the soul's sal - va - tion;  
4 My God has all things in his keep - ing;



My soul he, too, de - sires to save.  
He is my ev - er - faith - ful friend.



There - fore with Chris - tian res - ig - na - tion  
He gives me laugh - ter af - ter weep - ing,



All earth - ly trou - bles I will brave.  
And all his ways in bless - ings end.



His will be done e - ter - nal - ly;  
His love en - dures e - ter - nal - ly;



What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
What pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

Text: Salomo Franck, 1659–1725, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.  
Tune: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT (98 98 88) Georg C. Neumark, 1621–81.

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