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*Worship for the 17th Sunday after Trinity
October 6 & 9, 2022*

Opening Hymn: #236 "All Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

**1 All praise to God who reigns above, The God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, The God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills, The God who ev'ry sorrow
stills—To God all praise and glory!**

**2 What God's almighty pow'r has made, in mercy he is keeping;
by morning glow or evening shade his eye is never sleeping.
Within the kingdom of his might, all things are just and good and
right: To God all praise and glory!**

**3 I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, oh, hear my calling!
For death he gave me life indeed And kept my feet from falling.
For this my thanks shall endless be; Oh, thank him, thank our God
with me—To God all praise and glory!**

**4 The Lord will not forsake his flock, His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock, Their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand He leads his own, his chosen
band—To God all praise and glory!**

Invocation

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

C: Amen.

The Confession of Sins

P: Let us approach God with true hearts and confess our sins,

C: asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

P: Most holy and merciful Father,

C: we confess that we are sinful from birth, and that we have sinned against you in our thoughts, words and actions.

P: We have done what is evil and failed to do what is good.

C: Have mercy on us, Lord.

P: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness; the pride, the apathy and selfishness in our lives.

C: Have mercy on us, Lord.

P: Our negligence in worship and prayer, and our failure to confess with our lives the faith that is in us,

C: we confess and plead with you, for Jesus' sake to forgive us.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on his name he gives power to become the children of God and has promised them his Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.

C: Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

Song of Praise

All: (sing) 5 Then come before his presence now

And banish fear and sadness;

To your Redeemer pay your vow

And sing with joy and gladness.

Though great distress my soul befell,

The Lord my God did all things well—

To God all praise and glory!

Prayer of the Day

P: Grant, O Merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Jr. Choir 8:00: "A Psalm"

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8:10-20

¹⁰Then you will eat, and you will be filled, and you will praise the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. ¹¹Be very careful so that you do not forget the LORD your God by not keeping his commandments and ordinances and his statutes that I am commanding you today. ¹²When you eat and are satisfied, and you build nice houses and move into them, ¹³and your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold increase, and everything that you have prospers, ¹⁴watch out so that your heart does not become arrogant and forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, where you were slaves. ¹⁵Do not forget the LORD, who led you in the great and terrifying wilderness, where there were venomous snakes and scorpions, where the thirsty ground had no water, but the LORD made water come out of a flint rock for you. ¹⁶Do not forget the LORD, who in the wilderness fed you manna, which your fathers had not known before, to humble you and to test you so that it would be good for you later on.

¹⁷You might say in your heart, "My ability and the power of my hand have earned this wealth for me." ¹⁸But then you are to remember that the LORD your God is the one who gives you the ability to produce wealth, to confirm his covenant that he promised to your fathers with an oath, as he does to this day.

¹⁹But if you ever do forget the LORD your God and you follow other gods, and if you serve them and bow down to them, I testify against you today that you will certainly perish. ²⁰Just like the nations that the LORD is about to destroy in front of you, you also will perish, because you would not listen to the voice of the LORD your God.

Verse of the Day:

All: (sing) 6 All who confess Christ's holy name,

To God give praise and glory!

All who the Father's pow'r proclaim,

To God give praise and glory!

All idols under foot be trod;

The Lord is God! The Lord is God!

To God all praise and glory!

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Now brothers, we want you to know about the grace of God that was given in the churches of Macedonia: ²In a severe test of trouble, their overflowing joy and their deep poverty overflowed into an abundance of their generosity. ³I testify that of their own free will they gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability, ⁴pleading with us with an urgent request for the gracious privilege of joining in this service to the saints. ⁵And they did this not as we had expected, but in keeping with God's will they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us. ⁶As a result we urged Titus, since he had already made a beginning, to bring to completion this gracious gift on your part. ⁷But just as you overflow in every way—in faith, in word, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you also overflow in this gracious gift.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but to test how genuine your love is, by comparing it with the eagerness of others. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich.

P: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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 worshiped 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.

Hymn: #405 "Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink"

1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by many a foe,
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe,

2 That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chast'ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain
Can lean upon its God,

3 A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without,
That, when in danger, knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt,

4 That bears unmoved the world's dread frown
Nor heeds its scornful smile,
That sin's wild ocean cannot drown
Nor Satan's arts beguile,

5 A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life's last spark is fled
And with a pure and heav'nly ray
Lights up the dying bed.

Sermon: Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On another occasion, as Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem, he was passing along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²When he entered a certain village, ten men with leprosy met him. Standing at a distance, ¹³they called out loudly, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

¹⁴When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they went away they were cleansed.

¹⁵One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He fell on his face at Jesus' feet, thanking him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Jesus responded, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go your way. Your faith has saved you.

"Oh, For A Faith That Will Not Shrink!"

I. When faced with hard times

II. When faced with good times

Our Response to God's Word

**6 Lord, give us such a faith as this, And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.**

Offering (Offerings may be place in the basket in the narthex)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord of heaven and earth.

P: We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ,

C: and we remember the great acts of love through which he has redeemed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

P: By his incarnation,

C: he became one with us.

P: By his perfect life,

C: he fulfilled your holy will.

P: By his innocent death,

C: he robbed death of its sting.

P: By his rising from the grave,

C: he broke the power of the grave and opened heaven.

P: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word,

C: we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts.

P: Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood,

C: and preserve us in the true faith

P: until we feast with him and all his people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: 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; 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.

The Sacrament

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: 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, who does not change like shifting shadows and whose love for us endures in good times and in hard times. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy (*Tune: Munich, O Word of God Incarnate, CW, #279*)

All: (sing)

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.

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!

Words of Institution

P: 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."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Lamb of God (*Tune: Munich, O Word of God Incarnate, CW, #279*)

**All: (sing) I lay my sins on Jesus,
The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us
From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus
To wash my crimson stains
White in his blood most precious
Till not a spot remains.**

Distribution

Distribution Hymn "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

**1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
and drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Saved by his body and his holy blood,
with souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.**

**2 Christ our Redeemer, God's eternal Son,
has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won.
He gave his life for greatest and for least,
himself the off'ring and himself the priest.**

**3 Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere
and take the pledges of salvation here.
Christ, who in this life all the saints defends,
gives all believers life that never ends.**

4 With heav'nly bread he makes the hungry whole,
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
Lord of the nations, to whom all must bow,
in this great feast of love be with us now.

Distribution Hymn: #234 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!

2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen how all that's needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief ever has failed of relief?
Wings of his mercy did shade you.

4 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
as with his love he befriends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him!

Song of Simeon (*Tune: Munich, O Word of God Incarnate, CW, #279*)

All: (sing) Let us, O Lord, be faithful
Like Simeon to the end
So that his prayer exultant
May from our hearts ascend:
"O Lord, now let your servant
Depart in peace, I pray,
Since I have seen my Savior
And here beheld his day."

Closing Prayer

P: 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.

Benediction

P: 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.

Closing Hymn: #610 "Now Thank We All Our God"

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices,
who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us
and keep us in his grace and guide us when perplexed
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

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Communion Registration *Communicant members of St. Matthew's are reminded to register for Holy Communion on the "Care Card" found in the pews. If you are visiting St. Matthew's today, we request that you please speak with the Pastor before communing. Questions and answers which will assist you in preparing for partaking of the Lord's Supper are found on page 156 in the front of the hymnal. Please note:*

- *For those who prefer grape juice, in the center of each tray there are purple individual cups containing grape juice.*
- *Those who prefer a gluten-free wafer will find individually wrapped wafers on the table located in the center aisle.*

Members, Visitors & Guests—Welcome to St. Matthew's!

May the Spirit of God work in us a faith that will not shrink whether we are facing good times or hard times in our lives!

If you are visiting our service, please sign a “care card” in the church pew or our guest book and come back to visit again soon.

Attendance Last Week — 212 (45/167) Bible Class— 11

Offering Last Week—\$12,009.00 Sunday School – 15

(Meeting our 2022 Ministry Plan requires weekly offerings of \$14,000.00.)

“I will bless the LORD at all times.

His praise will always be in my mouth.”

Psalms 34:1

Announcements:

1. **The flowers on the altar** have been given by Don and Bridget Dickinson in loving memory of Norm and Grace Dickinson and Barb and Ludwig Kavetschanky.
2. **Baptism** Eleanor Rose Birkholz will be baptized today after the 10:30 service. Eleanor is the daughter of Trenton and Trae Birkholz and was born on May 2, 2022. Serving as sponsors are Skyler Salter and Matt Skilling. *“He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior. Titus 3:5-6*
3. **Bible Class** Bible class today will begin at 9:15 a.m. We will continue a study of the Book of Ecclesiastes. Bible class meets in the fellowship area downstairs. Please join us as we “Book Through the Bible.”
4. **Woman’s Bible Class** – The Women’s Bible Study (Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.) have started the new book “More Prepared to Answer” by Mark Paustian. Each lesson stands alone so feel free to join at any time. Hope to see you there! *Debbie Lenser.*

5. **Our Fall Fun Festival/New Member Welcome** is being held today from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Mustang Café, gym, and outdoors for Fall Fun Festival. We will have fall games, board games, cards, bags tournaments, pumpkin painting, photo booth, snacks, and fellowship! All ages are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!
6. **WE NEED YOU for Trunk or Treat** – We are looking for people to host a trunk for our annual Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 21st from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Trunks can be decorated as much or as little as you want. If you are able to decorate a trunk, please sign up in the Narthex or the school lobby. If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Phillips.
7. **Trunk or Treat Candy Donations** We are looking for candy donations. If you can help in this way, you can bring your candy to the church office. Thank you!
8. **The Choir from Luther Preparatory School** will be worshipping with us on Sunday, October 16, in both services. (A free-will offering will be taken for the choir.) A breakfast for the choir will be provided in the fellowship hall. **(Please sign up on the bulletin board in the lower hallway if you can provide food items for the breakfast.)** Volunteers are needed to prepare for this event. Please contact Mr. Proeber for further information.
9. **Pictorial Directory Update** The picture sessions are now complete. Thank-you to all our members who were able to participate in our new pictorial. Good news for the members whose pictures were taken on September 9th and 10th, Universal Church Directories will be contacting you to review your pictures next week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. If you do not receive a call from them, please call Dale Beutin at 608-774-5177. At this time a big THANK-YOU to all the ladies who made numerous phone calls and who assisted with the registration table, this project would not have been as successful without you. We also thank Liz Sanchez for taking pictures of our church and school activities and committee members. While we had a few hiccups along the way, this project was very successful and we look forward to the completed pictorial. *The Pictorial Committee*

10. **Service Opportunity for Ushers** – Will usher in worshipers, tidy up sanctuary after worship services, light candles, and other general ushering duties. No experience necessary; will serve on a team of three or four. Ushers will be men who are members and are high school age or older. Contact Bob Williams, call or text 608-751-0731 or email at alas52@yahoo.com
11. **Needed: Girls Cheerleading Coach** for the 2022-2023 Mustang basketball season. Practices are normally Tuesday and Thursday after school from 3:15 - 4:30 or 4:45 (running at the same time as boys' basketball practice). Cheering would be done at home games which would usually be held on Mondays, Tuesdays (in place of practice), or Thursdays (in place of practice) between 4:00 - 7:00 pm. We have enough interest for one combined squad for girls in grades 5-8 if we can find a volunteer coach. If interested in volunteering, please talk to Mr. Sonntag or call him at school (608-752-1304) or home (608-754-3994) or by email at csonntag@stmatthewsjanesville.org
12. **College and Military** We would like the names and addresses of our young people who are attending college or are serving in the military. There are cards on the lower bulletin board to complete and return to the office or an Evening Guild member. Please return by October 31. You could also contact Deb Lenser at 608-728-3120 or Theresa Biele at 608-751-1050. Thank you parents for helping us keep track of our young people!
13. **Fall Clothing Drive** The Evening Guild will have their Fall clothing drive on October 14th and 15th. If you have Fall or Winter clothes in good condition that you no longer want or need, or shoes, boots, purses, household items, books or puzzles etc. these items may be brought to the school lobby on Friday, October 14th and until noon on Saturday, October 15th. We will then take all articles to "Twice is Nice" in Jefferson. All the proceeds go to help Lakeside Lutheran High School. If you have any questions, please call Sally Wellnitz at (608) 752-2037, Shari Scheibe at (608) 757-9467 or Betty Olson at (608) 754-7416.

14. **LWMS (Lutheran Women’s Missionary Society) 2023 Prayer Calendar** is available for purchase. “Music in Ministry” is the theme. It includes *monthly mission articles *monthly Bible passage*Missionary contact information*prayer requests. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Cost is \$10.00, checks made out to Evening Guild, or cash. Please give payment to Bev Boughton, Mary Howard, Linda Williams or Debbie Lenser. Orders and money due by October 16th.
15. **Thank you to the women** who served on the altar guild for the month of September: Carol Fox, Amy Scott, and Jody Hill. Serving for the month of October will be: Kate Carlson, Lynn Beutin, Deb Shadoski, and Penny Pucher.

This Week at St. Matthew’s

Sunday

Worship with Lord’s Supper
8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
SS/Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Fall Festival/New Member
Welcome 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Monday

Janesville Fire Department
Drill 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Fellowship/Outreach
Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Women’s Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Confirmation Class
5:00-6:30 p.m.
Sr. Choir 5:45 – 6:45 p.m.
Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Thursday

Worship 6:30 p.m.

Sunday

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Bible Class 9:15 a.m. (In Church)
LPS Choir Sings in both services.
(Free-Will Offering)
Breakfast for LPS Choir in
Fellowship Hall 9:15 a.m.

Assisting with Worship

Organist:

Meredith Moeller

Ushers:

8:00 a.m. – Mark Schulz, Mike Lenser, Kevin Paasch

10:30 a.m. – Tom May, Ben May, Eddie May

Next Week Ushers:

8:00 a.m. – Rich Hatfield, Michael Borchardt, Ryan Borchardt

10:30 a.m. – Steve Sage, David Johnson, Jason Carlson

CODS:

6:30 p.m. – Jim Daley

8:00 a.m. – Marc Augsburg

10:30 – Doug McIlvain

Next Week CODS:

6:30 p.m. – Brandon Phillips

8:00 a.m. – Rich Hatfield

10:30 – Tim Stirmel

Church Cleaning:

October 15, 2022 – Roger Howard & Corey Jackson families

October 22, 2022 – Paul Kleban & Jean Muche families

Extended SCRIP Program Opportunity

St. Matthews has the opportunity to participate in a broader Scrip Program. SCRIP is the general name given to gift certificates and gift cards issued by local and national businesses. SCRIP can be thought of as substitute money and many be used in place of cash, checks, or credit cards at various businesses. At the time the SCRIP order is placed, St. Matthews receives a rebate ranging from 2% - 20% depending on the business. This rebate will be used to support special projects, which are not in the budget. SCRIP certificates can be purchased in various amounts. It's a great way to allow your money to benefit St. Matthews by purchasing items you were already planning to buy from a store you already shop at! Starting Sunday October 9th through November 2nd, these certificates/gift cards will be available to order. Payment must accompany your order and can be cash or check. Please make checks payable to St. Matthews. The

ordered and prepaid gift certificates/cards should be available for pick up by Sunday, November 13th. (Just in time for Christmas shopping and gift giving.)

The complete order form list of over 100 participating businesses is attached to this letter. Completed orders (payable to St. Matthews) can be handed in to Cathy Sonntag between church services Sundays or to Lori Sage when she is in the office. You may also place orders in the mail slot in the office. Please contact Cathy Sonntag 754-3994 or csonttag@charter.net with any questions regarding this optional program.

If you are interested in participating in the Extended Scrip program, order forms can be found in the back of the church on a table or in the school lobby.