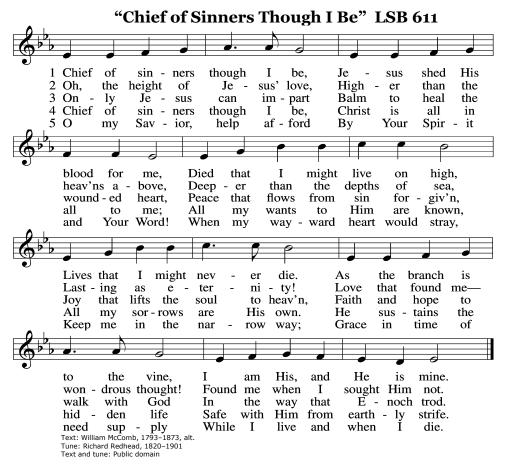
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, September 15, 2024

PRELUDE

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME



INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

EXHORTATION

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- **C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- ▶ Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM

EPISTLE

James 3:1–12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the

whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. ¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." 19And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saving to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but praver."

Mark 9:14–29

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

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MESSAGE

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

8:00 AM Service Continues with Communion, 10:30 AM Service Continues with the Benediction.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD (8:00 Only)

PAX DOMINI (8:00 Only)

- The peace of the Lord be with you always. P
- C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION (8:00 Only)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (8:00 Only)

BENEDICTION

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and P be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

1 OJe sus, King most won der - ful! _ 2 When once You vis it dark ened hearts. 3 O light of Je sus. all be low, 4 May ev 'ry heart con _ fess Your name, 5 Oh, for bless, may our tongues ev er 0 Con - quer - or Source of re - nowned! 0 peace in -Then truth be - gins shine, Then earth - ly van to i fount The of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the For - ev You dore, And, seek - ing You, it er a -May love You - lone And ev - er we а in our ð ef fa ble. In whom all joys found: are _ kin - dles de Then di vine. ty parts. love joys we know. A11 that we can de sire: self in flame To seek You and more! more press lives ex -The im age of Your own! Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-78, alt. Tune: John B. Dykes, 1823-76

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POSTLUDE

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