

Welcome to Worship for  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



Sunday, October 5, 2025

*All Saints Lutheran Church*

722 Rockbridge Road ♦ Lilburn, GA 30047

Rev. Ashton Roberts, Pastor  
John Womack, Director of Music



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## ---GATHERING---

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

### PRELUDE

John Womack

*During this time of meditation the assembly is asked to remain silent.*

### WELCOME

Rev. Ashton Roberts

### GATHERING SONG

ELW 526

#### God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's

world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;

wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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Music: ABBOT'S LEIGH, Cyril V. Taylor, 1907–1991

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## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Rev. Ashton Roberts

*The assembly kneels or is seated.*

In the name of the Sovereign,  
and of the ✠ Savior,  
and of the Spirit.  
**Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

*The assembly stands in body or spirit.*

## GREETING

Rev. Ashton Roberts

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**



# Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

1 Source and Sove-reign, Rock and Cloud, For - tress Foun - tain, Shel - ter, Light,  
 2 Word and Wis - dom, Root and Vine, Shep - herd, Sa - vior, Ser - vant, Lamb,  
 3 Storm and Still - ness, Breath and Dove, Thun - der, Tem - pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,

Judge, De - fend - er, Mer - cy, Might, Life whose life all life en-dowed:  
 Well and Wa - ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:  
 Com - fort, Coun - selor, Pre - sence, Love, En - er - gies that ne - ver tire:

May the church at prayer re - call that no sing - le ho - ly name

but the truth that feeds them all is the God whom we pro - claim.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

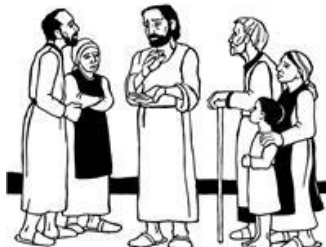
Rev. Ashton Roberts

*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.**

*The congregation is seated.*



---WORD---

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

**FIRST READING: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4**

**Bruce Kraus**

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup> O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not listen?

Or cry to you “Violence!”  
and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack,  
and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous;  
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

<sup>2:1</sup> I will stand at my watchpost  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup> Then the LORD answered me and said:  
Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come; it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup> Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

**Bruce Kraus**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child:  
Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this

reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and 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 the deposit I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation stands.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

*Refrain, Verse 3, Refrain*

### Listen, God Is Calling *Neno lake Mungu*

*Refrain*  
Leader All



Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,  
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

1 2



ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.  
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All



Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.  
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.

Leader All *Refrain*



Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.  
that he came to save us and set us free.  
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
walk - ing in your pre - sent led by your Word

Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, D. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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## GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10

Rev. Ashton Roberts

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup> The 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.

<sup>7</sup> “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’? <sup>8</sup> Would 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’? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So 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!’ ”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The congregation is seated.*

## SERMON

Rev. Ashton Roberts

*The congregation stands.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

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### How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through fi - ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove

is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.  
my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

What more can he say than to you he has said  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign,  
and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dom,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."  
your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."  
like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.  
Music: FOUNDATION, Early American



## APOSTLES' CREED

Rev. Ashton Roberts

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Bruce Kraus

*The congregation sits or kneels.*

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God of the church, you give the church a treasure in Jesus Christ. Draw us into the gift of faith passed down from generation to generation. Remind your people that faith the size of a mustard seed is enough. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of creation, you nourish the earth with grace and mercy. Bring favorable weather during the harvest season and sustain all creation along with all who labor in the field. Ensure the welfare of animal companions whose presence offers comfort, safety, and joy. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of nations and communities, you govern and guard the world. Give leaders and people in authority a spirit of making just and righteous laws. Bring peace to countries affected by war and violence. God of grace,  
**receive our prayer.**

O God of those in need, you care for those who are sick, oppressed, bereaved, lonely, and poor. Come to the help of all in need. Help us to trust that you will come to us at the right time.

We offer to you now the concerns of our hearts, either silently or aloud.

### *Additional Intercessions*

Rev. Ashton Roberts

*A brief silence*

- *We pray for the family and friends of Rita, mother of Ted Cin, on her passing.*
- *We pray for Eddie and the Pepper and Overton families on the tragic passing of Poppy.*



- *We pray for Joann; Allison; Joe; Jack.*
- *We pray for Alex; Roy Craig; Joe.*
- *We pray for Dan; Kathryn; John.*

*God of grace,*

***receive our prayer.***

- *We pray for Pastor Michael Jannett and the people of Community of Grace Lutheran Church in Grayson as they gather to worship again in their building and to restore it from the recent vandalism.*
- *We pray for all people of the world impacted by ongoing war, conflict, and violence, especially those caught between Ukraine and Russia; between Israel and Hamas; in South Sudan; Myanmar; and Ethiopia.*
- *We pray for swift and accessible aid to those suffering starvation in Gaza, and for those who work to provide aid and relief.*
- *We pray for the safety of all those affected by adverse weather conditions.*
- *We pray for schools everywhere, that all students and those who care for them may feel safe and free from fear.*
- *We pray for justice around the world and here at home, that God may delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion, and peace.*

*God of grace,*

***receive our prayer.***

O God of this congregation, you nurture our faith. Thank you for those of all ages who teach, lead, and learn in this congregation and beyond. Give growth to the seeds of faith watered by faithful examples of baptismal living. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

O God of ages past, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith. May the faith of those who now rest in your merciful arms, like Lois and Eunice, shape our faith in your Son, Jesus Christ. God of grace,

**receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*The congregation stands in body or spirit.*

**PEACE (ELW p. 152)**

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*If you are joining us online, reach out by phone, text, email, or social media this week to share the Peace of Christ.*

**OFFERING**

*We have several ways to receive your offering. There is a basket on the table by the sanctuary doors, or you can utilize the QR code on the front of your bulletin to submit your offering online. Mailing your offering to the church is also an option.*

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

*Repeat twice.*

### Spirit, Open My Heart

*Refrain*

Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of  
liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing  
and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with the word 'Refrain'. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes.

## OFFERING PRAYER

**Bruce Kraus**

*Let us pray.*

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

### The Lord Be With You

The Lord be with you! And al-so with you! Lift up your hearts! We lift them to the Lord!  
Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God! It is right to give our thanks and praise.

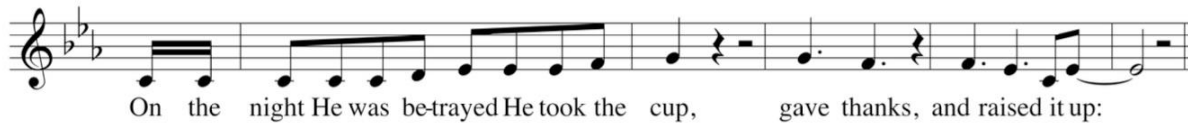
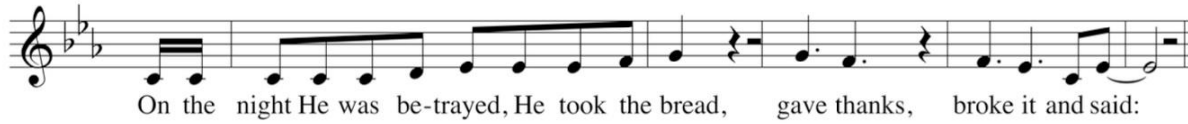
The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major. The first staff contains the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the second line. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly quarter and eighth notes.

Text: *The Book of Common Prayer*

Tune: John Tirro

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# On the Night He Was Betrayed



Text: *1 Corinthians 11:22-25, Matthew 26:27*, adapt. John Tirro

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## The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-lo-wed be Thy name. Thy  
king-dom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this  
day our dai-ly bread, and for - give us as we for-give our debt-ors; and  
lead us not in-to temp - ta - tion, but de - li-ver us from e - vil; for  
Thine is the king-dom and the po - wer and the glo - ry, for - e - ver. A - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Text: adapt. John Tirro

Tune: John Tirro

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## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin  
of the world. Have mer - cy on us.  
Grant us peace. Grant us peace. Grant us peace, Lamb of God.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Tune: John Tirro

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*The congregation is seated.*

## MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

*The congregation stands.*

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace unto life everlasting.

**Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Bruce Kraus**

*Let us pray.*

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## ---SENDING---

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## BLESSING

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

*Blessed*

## My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;  
 2 When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;  
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.  
 when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
 clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*

On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.  
 Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

*The congregation is seated.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

**DISMISSAL**

**Rev. Ashton Roberts**

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**Thanks be to God.**

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