

October 9th, 2016

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FIRST LESSON. 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

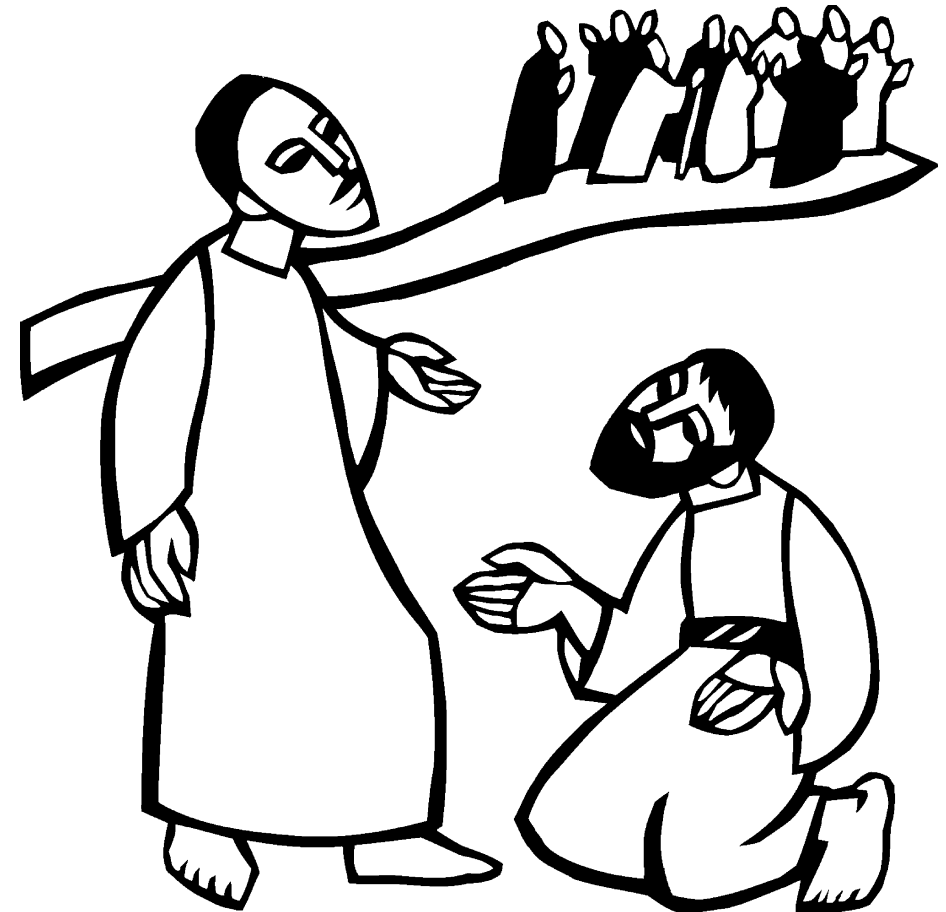
SECOND LESSON. 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

GOSPEL. Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost



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When only one out of ten lepers who were healed by Jesus return to express thankfulness, Jesus asks where the other nine are. Do we take the good things in life for granted? How can we grow in appreciation for the world God created and in gratitude for each day?

Gathering Songs

*The Heavens Shall Declare
Fear Not
Holy, Holy, Holy*

Worship Team
Bullock
Tomlin
Oliver

Announcements

*Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

P: God of overflowing grace,

C: **we come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: There is joy in heaven over every sinner who repents. By the grace of God in ☩ Christ Jesus, who gave himself up for us all, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. Rejoice with the angels and with one another! We are home in God's mercy, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

* Processional Hymn

Oh, Sing to the Lord

ELW 822

* Apostolic Greeting

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

C **And also with you.**

“God’s work. Our hands.”

Sunday October 9th, 2016

“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

Join the wider church (ELCA) Members from Fergus Falls in a joint, large scale service project, **this afternoon!** Everyone should meet for a free hot-dog lunch from 11-1 pm at Augustana Lutheran Church, 308 E Douglas, Fergus Falls and be given a worksite.

Please bring work clothes, gardening items (pruning shears, gloves, rakes, etc.), and painting gear (brushes, drop cloths, etc.) There are 6 different worksites ranging from outdoor landscaping/garden work to painting and fixing a handicap ramp. We look forward to doing God’s work with our hands next Sunday!

On Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. there will be a free seminar called “Peace of Mind” regarding updated information on Estate and Funeral Planning at Olson Funeral Home, 711 Pebble Lake Road, Fergus Falls. Elder law attorney, Lisa Pluto, will be speaking on “The 9 Important Things You Should Know About Estate Planning”. Crystal Herman from the Otter Tail County Attorney’s Office will also speak as will Al Kremeier, Funeral Director, from Olson Funeral Home. There will also be a question and answer session and light refreshments served. Reservations are not required, but are appreciated by calling (218) 736-7586 or by e-mailing info@OlsonFuneralHome.com.

COFFEE AND CHOCOLATE: WOW (women of the word) invites you to a delicious event on **Sunday, October 16 at 2:00 pm.** Our speakers will be Jenny Stumbo of Stumbeano’s coffee and Kristin Mohagen of Terroir Chocolates. These local entrepreneurs will share their stories of “two of our favorite things”!! Mark your calendars and join us for an afternoon of delightful decadence!

FALL 2016 GATHERING: Conference 7 Women of the ELCA Presents “My Journey Home” Guest speaker: Valerie Sohl. Breckenridge Lutheran Church, 301 6th St. N., Breckenridge, MN. Saturday, October 15th, 2016. Registration & Coffee: 9am Meeting & Program: 9:30am Noon Meal & Fellowship following. Sign up in the First Lutheran Church office by THIS SUNDAY. Write your check for \$10.00 to First Lutheran WELCA. On Saturday, Oct. 15, we will meet in the west church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. to share rides to Breckenridge Lutheran Church in Breckenridge.

ATTENTION OWLS: Wednesday, October 19, we will travel by coach to see “Camelot” at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater. Coach loads at 8:45 a.m. (lower level First Lutheran parking lot)and *departs at 9:00 a.m.* Cost per person, is \$60.00—that includes dinner, show, tax and gratuity. Coach paid by OWLS account. Plan to *return to Fergus around 7 p.m.* No stops on trip home. **Sign up and pay \$60 by check** (payable to First Lutheran OWLS) **before October 10.** Friends welcome!! Questions?? Call Margaret Kratzke @ 218-736-3697

You are invited to an Emmy Nominated Film Screening & Panel Discussion on Monday, October 10 at 9-11am, or 7-9 pm at the Broen Light & Life Auditorium, 824 Sheridan St., Fergus Falls. The Emmy nominated documentary “Being Mortal”, as featured on PBS Frontline, will be shown in a session to address end of life conversations and planning. See the Upcoming Events kiosk for more information about this event.

PioneerCare seeks qualified students for Nursing Assistant training at M State beginning Tuesday, October 18. The class meets mostly late afternoon/evenings. PioneerCare sponsors training and exam costs for those who join the direct care staff at PioneerCare as a nursing assistant. Candidates must be 16 or older. Details are available by calling 218-998-1500 or online at pioneercare.org.

The Minneapolis Institute for Art would like to invite you to attend their upcoming special exhibition, **Martin Luther: Art and the Reformation.** The exhibition runs from October 30 through January 15. Individual tickets and group ticket packages are on sale now. Call 612-871-3000 or go online to www.artsmia.org/luther to reserve tickets.

*** Kyrie**

P: In peace, in peace,

Assistant: Congregation:

Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy,
 Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have
 mer - cy.

P: For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all ... (Refrain)

P: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word ... (Refrain)

Assistant: Congregation:

Help, save and de - fend us, O God.
 A - - - men.

* Hymn of Praise

Refrain
Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
 all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
 to the God of life and love and
 free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
 er - more!

Verse 1:
Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
 slain, whose blood has freed and u -
 nit - ed us to be one great
 To refrain
 peo - ple / of God.

Verse 2
Congregation or Congregation 2:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
 might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
 To refrain
 for ev - er.

This Week at First Lutheran:

- Today: **GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS SUNDAY**
 8:30 & 11 am Blended Worship/Holy Communion
 9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am Butterflies
10:00 am 2nd Grade Milestone Class (East side of Fellowship Hall)
 10:00 am Adult Bible Study
11-1 pm God's Work, Our Hands free hot-dog lunch @Augustana Church
 3 pm Girl Scouts
- Monday: 9 am WELCA Love days
 5 p.m. Al-Anon
 5:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
- Tuesday: 9 a.m. Staff Meeting
3 pm Mill Street Bible Study
 6 pm Church Council
- Wed.: 9 am Al-Anon
 10 a.m. AA
 3:45-4:30 p.m. Children's Choir rehearsal
 4:30-5:15 p.m. FLY K4
 6 pm Hosanna Handbells
 6:30 p.m. 8th Grade Confirmation Class
 7:00 p.m. 9th Grade Confirmation Class
 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal
 8:00 p.m. Senior FLY
- Thurs.: 8:45 a.m. Morning Watch – Pr Jennifer– KBRF AM 1250
 9:30 a.m. Sr. Coffee & Bible Study
- Friday: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Next Sunday, October 16th:

- 8:30 am Worship/Sunday School sings in worship/2nd Grade Milestone Blessing**
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
10:00 am 3rd Grade Milestone Class
11 am Worship/2nd Grade Milestone Blessing
2-4 p.m. WOW Event: Coffee & Chocolate

We welcome Pastor Curt Rotto as our Sunday morning Adult Bible Study leader for the next few weeks. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee, fellowship, and learn about the Freedom Paradox (Living Lutheran Magazine, July 2016, by Bishop Eaton) with Pastor Curt **at 9:45 in the Kairos Room.**

Coffee and Refreshments will be served this morning in the narthex between services by the families of Sydney Batzlaff and Jared Kuehl.

Rose on the Altar is in celebration of the baptism of Grayson Oliver Thom, son of Zach Thom & Sunni Steen. Sponsors are Ryan & Angela Peterson, Dylan Young and Trina Steen. Guardian Angel is Miah Schmidt.

Altar Flowers are given by Jon & LuAnn Harris in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Logan & Jasmine Sonmor in celebration of Landry's 1st birthday and their wedding anniversary.

Known Hospitalized: Ida Mae Bjorgum at Lake Region Hospital.

Visitors! If you didn't get a "Visitors Bag" when you came in this morning please pick one up in the basket located on the small table on the ramp coming up from the narthex into the Sanctuary after worship.

Large Print Bulletins are available. If you would like a copy for worship, please ask an usher.

Check out the Kairos Room—it has a "New Look." It has been painted and the WELCA Board has purchased and paid for new chairs from Cooper's. Thank you Lorri Holt and WELCA!!

Associate Pastor:	Jennifer Rose
Visitation Pastor	Stan Satre
Sunday School Superintendent:	Cindy Larson
Council President:	Elizabeth Abrahams
Organist:	Keith Melberg
Worship Team Director:	Anne Taylor
PA:	LeAnne Jaenisch
Sacristans:	8:30- Mark & Susan Hermes 11:00-Ashley Shuck
Lectors:	8:30- Lorri Holt 11:00- Ann Rotto
Acolytes:	8:30-Sarah Hansen, Madisen Hinsverk 11:00-Tucker Henkes, Marissa Hurley
Ushers:	8:30- Duane & Bonnie Gran, Dick & Deb Felstul 11- Jason & Randi Resler, Curt & Ann Rotto
Greeters:	8:30 –Dennis & Audrey Emmen 11:00 –Elaine Solee
Communion Assistants	8:30 – Rick & Linda West, Teresa Shannon 11:00 –Dina Freitag, Anthony & Joyce Perez

Refrain
Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
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er - more!

Verse 3
Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us,
to make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *To refrain*

*** Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray. . . .

C Amen

First Lesson

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.
(Congregational response spoken after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

Second Lesson

2 Timothy 2:8-15

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, he reminds Timothy that the word of God is never shackled or confined. He encourages his young friend to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.
(Congregational response spoken after reading: **Thanks be to God**)

*** Gospel Acclamation**

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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
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(After Gospel is announced, congregation says, **Glory to you, O Lord.**)

*** Gospel**

Luke 17:11-19

Jesus' mission includes making the unclean clean again. Unexpectedly, a cleansed Samaritan leper becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

(After Gospel is read, congregation says, **Praise to you, O Christ**)

Sermon

Real Gratitude

Pastor Jennifer Rose

Hymn of the Day

Have You Thanked the Lord?

ELW 829

*** Apostles' Creed (8:30)**

Back Cover of ELW Hymnal

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00)

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*** The Prayers**

*** The PEACE is shared**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offering

We Thank You Lord

Worship Team

Schmid

***Offertory Response**

What Have We to Offer?

R. Makeever

- 1 What have we to offer? What have we to share?
Coins from the coffer; hearts filled with care.
God will not falter; so let us dare
Lay it at the altar there.

***Words of Institution**

*** The Lord's Prayer** (alternate version)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Distribution of Communion

Hymns during Communion

ELW 720, 744

*** Post Communion Blessing**

*** Post Communion**

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

ELW 857

*** Benediction and Sending**

(Congregational response: *Thanks be to God*)

*** Postlude**

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (Reprise)

* Indicates when congregation stands