

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Aaron Dawson

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 2025

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (pg. 56 LBW)

P: 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.

C: Amen

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

P: Most merciful God, C: we confess that we are in bondage 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

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives the sins of all who trust on the merit of Jesus Christ alone. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen

P: However, to all unrepentant sinners and despisers of God, of His Words, and of His Holy Sacraments, I say from God's Word and in the name of Jesus Christ, that God has kept their sins and will certainly punish in time and eternity, so long as they, during this time of grace, refuse to turn from them and to repent. We wish them from the heart that they would repent.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN

LBW #492 "O Master, Let Me Walk with You"

GREETING (pg. 57 LBW)

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE (pgs. 58-59 LBW)

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

SALUTATION (pg. 62 LBW)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of your grace, that, pursuing what you have promised, we may share your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen

FIRST LESSON: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 62

L: For God alone my soul in silence waits; from him comes my salvation.

C: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken.

L: How long will you assail me to crush me, all of you together, as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall?

C: They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; lies are their chief delight.

L: They bless with their lips, but in their hearts they curse.

C: For God alone my soul in silence waits; truly, my hope is in him.

L: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

C: In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

L: Put your trust in him always, O people, pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

C: Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

L: On the scales they are lighter than a breath, all of them together.

C: Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

L: God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

C: Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 62 LBW)

Congregation Sings: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 17:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 17th chapter. Congregation sings: Glory to you, O Lord. (After Gospel is read) P: The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Pastor Aaron Dawson

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW #503 "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 THE PEOPLE

L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (pg. 66 LBW) (Please rise) **Congregation Sings: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER (pg. 67 LBW) *P: Merciful Father, C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

GREAT THANKSGIVING (pgs. 68-69 LBW)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth....as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD (pg. 72 LBW) **Congregation Sings: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE & PRAYER (pgs. 72 LBW) (Please rise as you are able) **Congregation sings: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

BENEDICTION (Sung)

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

CLOSING HYMN

LBW #259 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

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*“Jesus, you gave your body and shed your blood so we might be made whole.
As we come to your table, quiet our hearts and help us remember your sacrifice
with gratitude and awe. Amen.”*

NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:

Melvina Heap Family of Sandra Macknowski

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Breen Sipes	Paul Albers	Karen Bruns	Rich Friemel
Clarence Stanfill	Martha Stanfill	Sondra Sipes	Ray Hoff
Daniel Rodriquez	Kim Wyre	Annette Carlson	Marlys Morris
Wilma Suits	Brian Dietz	Karen Flessner	Robertta Arthur
Steve Schluter	Eugene Schmidt	Tracie Sisneros	Glenn Behnke
John Keith	Pen Pendleton	Denny Doyle	Pr. Barb Busboom
Rodney Larkin	Geraldine Gorecki	Lee Briggs	Carla Adkins
Jessica Hawn	Earl Smith	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser
William Benton	Steve Ritchie	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat
Nick Shepherd	Michael Markarian	Joyce Keith	Merrill Wattjes
Joan Percival	Joyce Williamson	Bob & Jenny Hobby	

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

Keith Dohleman	Joan Mathis	Luella Loschen	Genet Dixon
Dave Overholt	Loretta Overholt		

MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):

Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod	Kasey Fenimore
Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti	Riley Falletti	Eli Baker

TABLE GUILD

ACOLYTES

GREETERS

LECTOR

PRAYER LEADER

WORSHIP STEWARD

USHERS

DeAnn McMorris, Sue Coffin

Liam Kaiser, Harm Albers

Kyndall Cox, Stephen Feig

Pam Cheek

Monica Carico

Ron Howe

David Hulse, Donna Hustedt, Wendy Watkins

WELCOME TO WORSHIP Welcome to this sacred moment of communion. As we share the bread and cup, may we remember Christ's love and sacrifice.

GREAT RIVERS MISSION DISTRICT CONVOCATION will be held here at ALC from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. next Saturday, October 11th. Registration is at 8:30 a.m., Morning Prayer starts at 9:00 a.m. Cost to attend is \$10 to cover for lunch. Please call the church office by noon tomorrow if you are planning to attend.

SALADS & DESSERTS NEEDED for the Great Rivers Mission District Convocation luncheon which will be held next Saturday. They will need to be brought to the church kitchen by 10:00 a.m. that day. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex.

DISASTER RESPONSE SILENT AUCTION QUILT This military themed quilt was recently donated and is on display in the Narthex. Because of its special interest, we are offering it up for auction within our District and the funds raised will be used for Disaster Response expenses. Please email your name, phone number and amount of your bid to tdoyle2@msn.com from now until October 10th. In-person bids may be offered during the Convocation and the winner will be selected that day. The winner need not be present to win.

MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 12TH Maddie Benson, Director of Development will be here to help share the vision of NALC for our youth/family and seminarians. She is part of the Leadership Core Team of the NALC. There will be a Question-and-Answer time available after the worship service in the Youth Hall, with light refreshments available. Your Benevolence Committee would like to invite all as we are all Champions of Youth Ministry.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED We are looking to add more people to our Home Communion Team. This would involve serving communion to a couple of homebound members once a month. Please contact Pastor Aaron or Mary Edwards if you have any questions or if you are interested in being a part of this team.

PORTALS OF PRAYER The fourth quarter Portals of Prayer (October-December) are available to pick-up in the Narthex and outside of the church office.

EDEN PARK CEMETERY All decorations you wish to save must be removed from Eden Park Cemetery by October 15th or the caretaker will remove them. After October 22nd, you may replace decorations on the graves.

ST MALACHY SCHOOL FALL FESTIVAL is being held on October 12th, from 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Turkey dinner will be served for \$20 (adults); \$15 (seniors); and \$12 (children 12 & under). There will also be local vendors, kids zone, bake sale, and a 50/50 drawing.

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION If you are a baptized believer, trusting that the life giving and sustaining power and presence of Christ is truly present in bread and wine, we welcome you to the Lord's table. Children who commune in their home congregations are welcome to commune; those who are not currently communing at the Lord's table are invited to come forward for a blessing keeping their hands to their sides. The center of each tray holds light colored, non-alcoholic juice for those with special circumstances. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request for those with allergies.

ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 135

BROADCAST/FLOWER CHART The cost to sponsor the broadcast on WPXN is \$50. The cost to provide flowers for Sunday is \$25. Please sign up on the chart outside the Narthex and call the office with the details to print in the bulletin.

ATTENTION USHERS Please check in with the worship steward on duty when you arrive to ensure that they know you are here and can assign you the area you are to cover.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

1 Kings 17:7-16; Psalm 23; Philippians 4:4-20; Matthew 25:14-30

THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 5

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Women's Bible Study

Monday, October 6

12:30 p.m. Quilting

Wednesday, October 8

1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 9

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, October 11

8:30 a.m. GRMD Convocation Registration
9 a.m.-3 p.m. GRMD Convocation

Sunday, October 12

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – Mission Sunday
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Women's Bible Study
 Question & Answer w/Maddie Benson

Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM

American Lutheran Church



Sunday, October 26th from 3-5 p.m.

This is a trick-or-treat opportunity for kids AND a treat-giving opportunity for adults. Instead of going house-to-house trick-or-treating, kids will go from car to car. Adults will pass out treats from the trunk or tailgate of their vehicle.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Our optional theme will be **Favorite Movie**. But don't let the theme scare you away from participating, you are more than welcome to decorate however you choose. A quick search on the internet or Pinterest can also give you a good starting point!

You can decorate as simple or elaborate as you would like as long as it is kid and church-friendly. We'll be asking everyone to vote for their favorite trunk. Top trunk will win a prize!

This event will be setup around the park across the street from the church. We will have games, activities and a weenie roast. All ages welcome!

SIGN UP! Let us know how you would like to participate by circling one or more of the following options. Tear this portion off and return in the offering plate or contact Joyce Holland at 217.841.4319 or rrjah@aol.com.

Hosting a Trunk Hot Dog Buns 1-Dozen Cookies

Game Volunteer Food Volunteer Hot Dogs

NAME _____

Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 5, 2025 – October 11, 2025

Prayer: Our Father in Heaven, you have endured the doubts and the foolish questions of every generation. Forgive us for trying to be judge over you and grant us the confidence to confess you as our Lord and master; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Daily Lessons:

Note: The following first and third readings are Deuterocanonical books. Although they should be in all Bibles, they are most often only found in study Bibles or Bibles misnamed, Catholic Bibles. They can also be found online: at <https://www.biblegateway.com/versions/Revised-Standard-Version-Catholic-Edition-RSVCE-Bible/#booklist>

Sunday	1 Maccabees 8:17-9:22	Psalm 139	Wisdom of Solomon 8:1-8
Monday	1 Maccabees 9:23-57	Psalm 140	Wisdom of Solomon 8:9-21
Tuesday	1 Maccabees 9:58-10:17	Psalm 141	Wisdom of Solomon 9:1-18
Wednesday	1 Maccabees 10:18-50	Psalm 142	Wisdom of Solomon 10:1-14
Thursday	1 Maccabees 10:51-89	Psalm 143	Wisdom of Solomon 10:15-21
Friday	1 Maccabees 11:1-37	Psalm 144	Wisdom of Solomon 11:1-14
Saturday	1 Maccabees 11:38-59	Psalm 145	Wisdom of Solomon 11:15-26

Morning Prayer We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

Mid-Day Prayer Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

Evening Prayer We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen