

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 19, 2021



*The love of God calls  
us out of the death that is  
our love for this world.*

**.South Big Horn Lutheran Parish**

**Grace Lutheran Church  
Greybull**

For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and this is not of yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8-9

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Emblem**

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 12:6

**Notes for the Season**

In the latter part of the Post-Pentecost Season, as we move towards the end of the Church year, our attention is turned toward the end of time altogether, when our Lord Jesus shall come to judge. The colour of the post-Pentecost Season, **green**, is still the colour of **growth**; as we look toward the fulfilment, it also takes on significance as the colour of **hope** - a reminder of the sure and certain hope we have that we shall be brought safely through the last tribulations and through judgement itself and into the glories of the world to come ...

**Today:**

Order of Holy Communion, TLH p. 203, with the Apostles' Creed

Hymns: 905 - 656 - 781:1-2 - 713/729/570 - 633:8

## About Holy Communion

In the Sacrament we are made one with the risen Christ, and with each other. According to Holy Scripture, oneness in faith and confession is a precondition for such unity. As such, only Christians who share our faith and confession, and who therefore belong to congregations in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, will commune in our church. **Visitors wishing to receive the sacrament** - please speak with Pastor prior to the service. We ask that our guests be respectful of our faith. **We sincerely welcome our visitors**; we assure you that we uphold this practice *also* out of concern for *your* spiritual welfare, and that our Pastor would love to study Scripture with you and help you embrace the full counsel of God, so that we can celebrate the Sacrament in a manner pleasing to God and beneficial for us all.

**Just so we do not forget:**

*What is the third Commandment?*

Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God, so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

*Of the Small Catechism*

**This is our faith** - *from the Confessions of our Church*

Many receive the Word with joy, but afterward fall away again. But the cause is not as though God were unwilling to grant grace for perseverance to those in whom He has begun the good work, for that is contrary to Saint Paul in Philippians 1:6; but the cause is that they willfully turn away again from the holy commandment of God, grieve and embitter the Holy Spirit, implicate themselves again in the filth of the world, and garnish again the habitation of the heart for the devil. With them the last state is worse than the first.

*Formula Concord, the Solid Declaration*

**Sing-along at the Parsonage**, hopefully outside, on Sunday, September 26, beginning at **5 pm.** - **note change of time.** Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and soft drinks will be provided, sponsored by Thrivent. Anything else you think should be there, you should bring along.

**Pizza and Mission Night at Grace** Thursday, September 30, at 6 pm. Deaconess Kim Buelman will tell us about her mission work among Muslim, and formerly Muslim, refugees in Germany. A free will offering will be taken to support her work.

**Let's do the time warp again:** Beginning on Sunday, October 3, our Sunday worship times will switch over, so that Sunday worship at Grace will be at 8 am. and at Zion at 10:30 am.

**High quality cutlery and other food items** as well as **delicious Pastry Puffin** pastries are being sold as a fund raiser for our Youth Account. Place your order **by Sunday, October 24**. What you order should be available by early November.

**Services of penitence and prayer** are held at Grace on Friday nights at 7 pm. in response to the Wuhan Virus and other current threats to the peace and freedom of the Church of Christ, and the well-being of people in the country and in the community.

**Saturday Evening Communion Worship** at Grace upon request. Please call the Parsonage by Friday evening if you wish to attend.

**A Life Thought from Lutherans For Life:** Life issues like surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis are not morally neutral situations (James 4:4). Intentionally ending life arises from sinful selfishness (James 4:2). But we don't have to let our neighbors be led like lambs to slaughter. We can encourage and assist them in committing their cause instead to the Lord of hosts (Jeremiah 11:19-20). He has already given Jesus as guarantee that He will lift them up (James 4:10).

**A Stewardship Thought for the Sunday:** Part of our readings for today is Mark 9:32 - "But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him." The disciples really do hold up a mirror to our faces and force us to see ourselves. We are misunderstanding, afraid, confused. But the Word of God is clear if only we will listen with open ears. What was blocking the disciples' ears? The Gospels tell us time and again. The disciples did not expect a suffering Christ. So when Jesus spoke of suffering, they plugged their ears and didn't listen, and they ended up confused and scared. What about us? What's in the Word of God that we find hard to hear and contrary to our desires and expectations? That might just be exactly what we need to hear!

*From the LCMS Stewardship Ministry*

**The Week:**

Tuesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Wednesday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Thursday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
Friday:	Noon - 1 pm.	Pastor's office hours at Grace
	7 pm.	Penitence and Prayer worship at Grace
Saturday:	7 pm.	Communion worship at Grace
		- please register by Friday evening!
Sunday:	8 am.	Communion Worship at Zion
	9:15 am.	Bible Study at Zion
	10:30 am.	Communion Worship at Grace
	11:45 am.	Bible Study at Grace
	5 pm.	Sing-Along at the Parsonage w/dinner