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Mission Statement

To help all people know, believe and follow Jesus Christ

Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.

Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church!

Whether you're a first time visitor or a long-time member, we welcome you to worship this morning! If you are visiting, we look forward to meeting you and hope you will join us again, soon. **We would appreciate your signing our guestbook before you leave.**



Some Helpful Information

Please Feel Free To Sit At Anytime During The Worship Service: During the worship services at Peace Lutheran there are many times when the people stand. Sometimes the standing can be quite lengthy. We do not want to place any undue burden on anyone worshipping with us. Therefore, please feel free to sit whenever you desire. Thank you and Christ's blessings.

Restrooms – A restroom is located to the right just as you leave the sanctuary and enter the entrance hall. Restrooms for men and women are also located at the top of the stairs in the Parish Hall. Go into the lounge, turn right and continue up the stairs.

Children - We love having kids in our service, so feel free to utilize the books, coloring books, and kids items located at the entrance of the church sanctuary. If your child prefers to play in our nursery, there are tons of toys, arts and crafts in the nursery and there are even speakers for parents to listen in on the service.

Fellowship and Refreshments – Immediately following the service, the Stein Family welcomes you to join Heidi's celebration upstairs in Peace Hall for coffee, cake and conversations.

Please join us again next week!

17th Sunday After Pentecost

October 1, 2017

As We Gather

In last week's Bible reading from Philippians, Paul wrote in terms of empire to point to one more powerful than the Roman empire and its ruler, Caesar. Again, Paul uses terms of empire such as 'exalted' and 'Lord'. But Paul talks of an empire that comes not through force but through humility and the emptying of oneself. Today we baptize Heidi Dora Stein, the infant daughter of Dahlia and Sebastian Stein and little sister to Adrian. It is a simple and humble ceremony using plain water. Through this simple and humble act, the Holy Spirit does a powerful thing as Heidi is 'born from above' as child of God. Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran today!

Prayer Before Worship — God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Pre-Service Music (A time for reflection)

Ringling Of The Bell

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism. Please stand)

Pastor: Blessed be the ☩ holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power. - Silence for reflection and self-examination. - Source of all life,

All: **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the**

church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.

Pastor: God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, ✙ God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Sharing Of The Peace

(Please remain standing. We turn to one another and greet each other in the peace of the Lord)

Entrance Song – By Grace We Have Been Saved (WP #25, please stand)



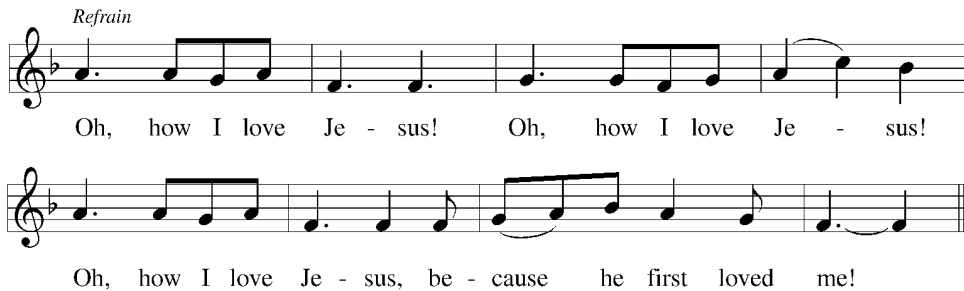
1 By grace we have been saved through faith and
2 For all have sinned and fall - en short. God's
3 God gave to earth a per - fect love through
4 We know the wage of sin is death; thank
5 Set free, we now have peace with God. Sal -



not by keep - ing law. God's saints be - lieved by
plan, not one o - beyed. Christ has for all ful -
Je - sus on the cross. While we were foes, Christ
God, we shall re - vive. For just as Je - sus
va - tion is se - cured. How beau - ti - ful the



what they heard and not by what they saw.
died the law. Be - lieve, con - fess, be saved.
rose for us. We gained by God's own loss.
a - gain, we too are made a - live.
feet of those who share this gos - pel word.



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First Reading - Philippians 2:1-13 (Please remain seated)

As part of a call for harmony rather than self-seeking, Paul uses a very early Christian hymn that extols the selflessness of Christ in his obedient death on the cross. Christ's selfless perspective is to be the essential perspective we share as the foundation for Christian accord.

¹If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹²Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Song Of Praise - Jesus Loves Me!

1. Jesus loves me! this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
they are weak, but he is strong. *Refrain*

2. Jesus loves me! he who died
heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in. *Refrain*

Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.

3. Jesus loves me! loves me still,
though I'm very weak and ill;
from his shining throne on high,
comes to watch me where I lie. *Refrain*

4. Jesus loves me! he will stay
close beside me all the way;
when at last I come to die,
he will take me home on high. *Refrain*

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 19:13-15 (Please remain standing)

In what is considered a radical teaching in his day, Jesus announces that children are not only included but lovingly welcomed into the kingdom of God. Through baptism, Jesus welcomes all people into the Kingdom of God, even as young as infants.

¹³Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; ¹⁴but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." ¹⁵And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

Children Come Forward

Song – This Little Gospel Light Of Mine (Please remain standing)

1. This little Gospel light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
This little Gospel light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
This little Gospel light of mine
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

2. All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
All around the neighborhood
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine.

3. Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine.

4. Don't let Satan blow it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Don't let Satan blow it out!
I'm going to let it shine
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine

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Message

A Different Kind Of Kingdom Philippians 2:1-13

Baptism Of Heidi Dora Stein

Song - See This Wonder in the Making (Tune: LBW #474, please stand)

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| 1. See this wonder in the making
God himself this child is taking
As a Lamb safe in his keeping
His to be awake or sleeping | 2. Miracle each time it happens
As the door to heave opens
And the Father beams "Beloved"
Heir of gifts a king would covet. |
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During the singing of the hymn Heidi is accompanied to the Baptismal Font by her parents: Dahlia and Sebastian Stein; her brother Adrian; her grandparents: Doris Krausse, Regina Stein, Harry Stein; her great Aunts & Uncles: Marion Riemann, Laurie Herrera, Regina Krausse, Uschi Krausse & Peter Krausse; her Godmother: Veronica Cowen; and Family Friend: Beverly Erbel.

Presentation Heidi Dora Stein (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Hear the testimony of the Holy Scriptures concerning baptism: Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19) Who presents this child to be baptized?

German: Darum geht zu allen Völkern und macht alle Menschen zu meinen Jüngern; tauft sie auf den Namen des Vaters und des Sohnes und des Heiligen Geistes. (Matt. 28:19) Wer bringt dieses Kind zur Taufe?

*Mother: Before the God of our ancestors and on behalf of this congregation, we present **Heidi Dora Stein** to receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism.*

German: Vor dem Gott unserer Vorfahren und im Namen dieser Gemeinde, bringe ich Heidi Dora Stein um das Sakrament der heiligen Taufe zu empfangen.

Commitment And Promise (Please remain standing)

Pastor: In Holy Baptism God graciously delivers us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through water and the Word the Holy Spirit calls us to walk a new life in God. In this new life we are joined across time and space to our ancestors who have lived and died trustingly and to the whole Christian community on earth. Their witness supports our Christian journey. ... Nourished by the apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread, and the prayers, our sister will be empowered to live in the fullness of her baptism and to join all of God's reborn people in serving the community with their gifts. ... By presenting this child for Holy Baptism, you commit yourselves to providing for her growth in the knowledge and fear of the Lord. Through baptism, you join this child's family in handing over the Holy Scriptures, the Lord's Prayer, the Creed and the Ten Commandments. Do you intend to act in this way for this child and for the sake of Jesus?

People: We do.

German: Indem du dieses Kind für die heilige Taufe vorstellst, verpflichtest du dich, ihr Wachstum in der Erkenntnis und Furcht vor dem Herrn vorzusehen. Durch die Taufe bekommt ihr Familie dieses Kindes, indem ihr die heiligen Schriften, das Gebet des Herrn, das Glaubensbekenntnis und die zehn Gebote übergebt. Möchtet Ihr auf diese Weise für dieses Kind und um Jesu willen handeln?

Profession Of Faith (Please remain standing)

Pastor: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize.

People: **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 that 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**

Baptism (Please be seated)

Pastor: **Heidi Dora Stein**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen**

German: *Heidi Dora Stein, Ich taufe Dich im Namen des Vaters und des Sohnes und des Heiligen Geistes.*

Pastor: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon Heidi: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

People: **Amen**

German: *Gott, der Vater unseres Herrn Jesus Christus, wir danken dir dafür, dass du deine Söhne und Töchter von der Sündenmacht befreit und sie durch dieses heilige Sakrament zu einem neuen Leben erhoben hast. Schütte deinen Heiligen Geist auf Heidi: der Geist der Weisheit und des Verstandes, der Geist des Beraters und der Macht, der Geist der Erkenntnis und die Furcht vor dem Herrn, der Geist der Freude in deiner Gegenwart.*

Pastor: **Heidi Dora Stein**, receive the sign of the holy cross upon your forehead + and upon your heart + to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

German: *Heidi Dora Stein, erhalte das Zeichen des heiligen Kreuzes auf deiner Stirn + und auf deinem Herzen +, um dich zu markieren, wie jemand der von Christus erlöst wird.*

Presentation of the Candle (Please remain seated)

Pastor: Receive this burning light. Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to God.

Pastor: *Erhalte dieses brennende Licht. Lass dein Licht so leuchten vor anderen, dass sie deine guten Werke sehen.*

Prayer For Parents (Please remain seated as Adrian and his family move to the altar)

Pastor: O God, the giver of all life, look with kindness upon the Sebastian and Dahlia. Let them ever rejoice in this gift of a child you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for Heidi. Strengthen them in their own baptism so they may share eternally with Heidi the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen**

Pastor: *O Gott, der Geber allen Lebens, schau mit Güte auf Dahlia und Sebastian. Lass sie sich an der Gabe eines Kindes freuen, das du ihnen gegeben hast. Lass sie Lehrer und ein gutes Vorbild für Gerechtigkeit sein. Stärke sie in ihrer eigenen Taufe, damit sie ewig mit Heidi die Rettung teilen das Heil mit Heidi teilen können, durch Jesus Christus, unseren Herrn.*

Commission And Welcome (Please remain seated)

Pastor: Through baptism God has added your name to the roll of all our ancestors in faith. You are a part of the priesthood we share in Christ Jesus. You have not been called in vain. Therefore, take up your

cross and follow Jesus through the prairies and grasslands, in the desert wilderness, along the freeways and back alleys of suburb and city. You belong now to God, sent to witness for Christ before all the world. On behalf of this congregation, I welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you with great joy to live with us in the body of Christ, to share with us in God's new creation, to work with us by the power of the Holy Spirit.

German: Durch die Taufe hat Gott deinen Namen der Rolle aller Vorfahren im Glauben hinzugefügt. Du bist ein Teil des Priestertums, das wir in Christus Jesus teilen. Du wurdest nicht umsonst gerufen. Darum nimm dein Kreuz und folge Jesus durch die Landschaft und Wiesen, in der Wüste, an den Autobahnen und Dorfstraßen. Du gehörst jetzt zu Gott, gesandt, um für Christus vor der ganzen Welt zu zeugen.

Song - See This Wonder in the Making (Tune: LBW #474, please remain seated)

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| 3. Far more tender than a mother | 4. Here we bring a child of nature |
| Far more caring than a father | Home we take a newborn creature |
| God into your arms we place her | Now God's precious son or daughter |
| With your love and peace embrace her. | Born again by Word and water. |

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Sharing The Gifts Of God (Please remain seated as the offerings are received)

Prayers Of The People Of God (Please stand)

Pastor: The Lord God calls us to turn to Him and live. So now let us turn to God in prayer, looking not only to our own interests but also to the interests of others. — Silent prayer - God of encouragement, Your steadfast love sustains the Church throughout the world. Strengthen the Church wherever two or three are gathered in Your name. Preserve us from arrogance, which might cause us to despise our neighbors. Help the Church to be in full accord and of one mind. Preserve us from grumbling. Bless the work of missionaries and church leaders. Enable all Christian congregations to give such

witness to Christ that at His name every knee shall bow and every tongue confess His lordship. Hear us, O Lord,

People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Pastor: God of justice, guide all who govern throughout the world, that their ways reflect Your way of justice for the poor and mercy for all. Watch over our military personnel in harm's way, and make Your comforting presence known to their families. Protect people in war-torn nations. Preserve us from acts of terrorism. Reconcile us with our enemies. Hear us, O Lord,

People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Pastor: God of encouragement, Your mercy and steadfast love have endured throughout the ages in all circumstances. Let Your love sustain and encourage those who are facing health troubles. Bless those who are in danger, those who are feeling lonely or depressed, and those who feel separated from You. Help them to see that even in the midst of suffering, You are there with steadfast love. Hear us, O Lord,

People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Pastor: God of renewal, You transform our hearts and our spirits and You teach us to look not only to ourselves but also to the needs of others. Bless the labor of all who set their hands to useful tasks—farmers and business owners, construction workers and accountants, homemakers and retail workers, factory workers and executives. Calm the hearts of the unemployed and underemployed. Grant that our land will produce an abundant harvest of goods and services that will bless many. Guide our stewardship of the gifts You entrust to us. Hear us, O Lord,

People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Pastor: God of joy, Your Son, Jesus Christ, humbled Himself and gave His own life for us and for the whole world. Guide us to love and serve You humbly, so that many will see it and be drawn to You and turn and live. Hear us, O Lord,

People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Pastor: God of life, You conquer death and despair. We give You thanks for those who have gone before us and now abide in Your tender arms. We thank You for their life and witness, and how Your grace was shown through them. Hear us, O Lord,
People: **and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.**

Additional prayers:

Pastor: Hear us, O Lord,

People: and remember Your mercy and steadfast love.

Pastor: Make us to know Your ways, O Lord; teach us Your paths. Lead us in Your truth and teach us, for You are the God of our salvation; for You we wait all the day long in the name of the One whose name is exalted above every name, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer (Prayed together. Please remain standing)

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And may God, the Father, the (+) Son and the Holy Spirit Bless each of you.
People: **Amen**

Dismissal (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn – Go My Children With My Blessing (ELW #543, please remain standing)



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free."

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Announcements

Recessional

Serving The Lord With Gladness

Pastor:	Ricky Adams
Organist:	Janet Reese
Coffee Hour:	Steins
Counters:	Vicki McGowan and Rick Kenney
Usher:	Vicki McGowan
Lay Reader:	Rick Kenney

Activities This Week:

Sunday – October 1	9:30am	Service of the Word and Sacrament of Baptism
Tuesday – October 3	9:30-12:30am 4:15-5:45	Stage Door (PH) Kids Music Class(LL)
Wednesday – October 4	4:15-5:45 6pm	Kids Music Class(LL) Stage Door (PH)
Thursday – October 5	All Day	Paramount Studios All Parking Lots Kitchen and Luther Lounge Peace Hall
Saturday – October 7	8:30-9:30am 9:30a-12:30pm 11:00 – 1:00	Pilates (PH) Stage Door (PH) SF Chinese Academy(LL)
Sunday – October 8	9:30 a.m.	Service of the Word and Sacrament

Announcements For October 1, 2017

Information About Peace Lutheran Church - If you desire to know more about Peace Lutheran Church such as teachings; affiliations, membership or other questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Adams.

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Flowers – Flowers this week are given to the glory of God by Dorlane Krausse in honor of the baptism of her infant granddaughter, Heidi Dora Stein.

Refreshments - Immediately following the service, the Stein Family welcomes you to join Heidi's celebration upstairs in Peace Hall for coffee, cake and conversations.

Heidi Dora Stein – Through the sacrament of Baptism we welcome Heidi Dora Stein into the family of God. She is the infant daughter of Dahlia and Sebastian Stein and little sister to Adrian Stein.

Puerto Rico Relief - Support relief and mercy efforts for hurricane victims in Puerto Rico: As federal agencies rush to establish emergency airlift and disaster relief infrastructure for hurricane-ravaged Puerto Rico, LCMS World Relief and Human Care, through its LCMS Disaster Response team, is preparing to bring urgent relief to Puerto Ricans whose lives have been shaken by this most recent disaster. The utter devastation of Hurricane Maria calls to mind the caring Christians who give so graciously, ensuring Christ's mercy comes swiftly to those affected by catastrophe. The kindness being shown across the Synod has brought relief to so many, and now the people of Puerto Rico can experience that mercy, kindness and compassion. If you would like to donate toward Puerto Rican relief, here are some alternatives our denomination offers:

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Weekly Devotional Helps

October 1 - October 7, 2017

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Prayer For The Sick

By your power, great God, our Lord Jesus healed the sick and gave new hope to the hopeless. Though we cannot command or possess your power, we pray for those who want to be healed. Mend their wounds, soothe fevered brows, and make broken people whole again. Help us to welcome every healing as a sign that, though death is against us, you are for us, and have promised renewed and risen life in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings Through The Week

Monday – October 2

Psalm 28
Judges 14:1-20
Philippians 1:3-14

Tuesday – October 3

Psalm 28
Judges 16:1-22
Philippians 1:15-20

Wednesday – October 4

Psalm 28
Judges 16:23-31
Matthew 9:2-8

Thursday – October 5

Psalm 80:7-15
Jeremiah 2:14-22
Colossians 2:16-23

Friday – October 6

Psalm 80:7-15
Jeremiah 2:23-37
Philippians 2:14-18; 3:1-4a

Saturday – October 7

Psalm 80:7-15
Jeremiah 6:1-10
John 7:40-52

Scripture Readings For Next Sunday

Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:7-15
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

Commemorations

October 4 - Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church, died 1226: Born into the family of a wealthy merchant, Francis gave up his inheritance to serve poor people. He formed the Order of Friars Minor (called Franciscans), who took on poverty and the task of preaching "using words if necessary." Francis had a spirit of gratitude for all of God's creation.

October 6 - William Tyndale, translator, martyr, died 1536: Tyndale was ordained a priest in England, and wished to translate the Bible into English. He was opposed in this by King Henry VIII, causing him to flee to Germany. He completed the New Testament in 1525, but before he could finish the Old Testament, he was tried for heresy and burned at the stake.

October 7 - Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, pastor in North America, died 1787: Divided Lutherans in America asked leaders in Europe to send someone who could take charge and unite their work. Muhlenberg was sent, and was effective in organizing the American Lutherans.

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