



*Let the morning bring me  
word of your unfailing love,  
for I have put my trust in you.*

PSALM 143:8

## **The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

Followers of Jesus Are Faithful Despite Rejection

July 8, 2018

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us. But we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, filled with activity pages and books; a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons with a rocking chair, children's books and toys; Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

**Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper.** Here at Brooklyn Lutheran, we practice *Close Communion*. For more information about our practice, please read the laminated card "Holy Communion" in the hymnal rack.

*Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.*

## SERVICE NOTES FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Jesus preserves our faith even in the face of persecution. When we translate our faith in the Word into faithfulness to that Word, we can expect suffering as a result. This promised suffering is most painful when it comes from those who have heard that Word with us.

## PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord Jesus, thank you for faithful messengers of the gospel. May I welcome them as I would welcome you. Amen.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Liturgist**

**Organist**

**Ushers**

Pastor Erich Westphal

Jan Budach

John Nueman

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## **THE WORD**

### **FIRST LESSON**

Ezekiel 2:1—3:4

The same message of the gospel that provokes so much opposition is the source of all our own life and joy.

He said to me, “Son of man, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.” <sup>2</sup>The Spirit entered into me as he spoke to me and brought me up to my feet. Then I heard him speaking to me.

<sup>3</sup>He said to me, “Son of man, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to disloyal nations, who have been disloyal to me. They and their fathers have rebelled against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>These children of mine are brazen-faced and hard-hearted. I am sending you to them, and you are to tell them that this is what the LORD God says. <sup>5</sup>Then, whether they listen or do not listen—for they are a rebellious house—then they will know that a prophet has been among them. <sup>6</sup>But you, son of man, do not be afraid of them, and do not be afraid of their words. Even though briars and thorns surround you and you are living with scorpions, do not be afraid of their words, and do not be intimidated by the look on their faces, for they are a rebellious house. <sup>7</sup>You are to speak my words to them whether they listen or they do not, for they are rebellious. <sup>8</sup>But you, son of man, listen to what I am telling you. Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house. Open your mouth and eat what I am giving you.”

<sup>9</sup>Then I looked, and I saw a hand stretched out toward me, and in it there was a rolled-up scroll. <sup>10</sup>He unrolled it in front of me, and there was writing on both sides. Written on it was: Laments, Groaning, and Woe.

<sup>3:1</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, eat what you have received. Eat this scroll, and then go, speak to the house of Israel.” <sup>2</sup>I opened my mouth, and he fed me the scroll.

<sup>3</sup>Then he said to me, “Son of man, feed your stomach and fill your belly with this scroll that I am giving you.” I ate, and in my mouth it was sweet like honey.

<sup>4</sup>He then said to me, “Son of man, go now to the house of Israel and speak my words to them.”

### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

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## SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 3:10—4:5

Opposition and persecution are guaranteed wherever the Word is proclaimed in its truth and purity.

<sup>10</sup>But you have faithfully followed my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfast endurance, <sup>11</sup>my persecutions, my sufferings—the kind that happened to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra, the kind of persecutions I endured—and the Lord rescued me from all of them. <sup>12</sup>Indeed, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, <sup>13</sup>while evil people and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

<sup>14</sup>As for you, continue in the things you have learned and about which you have become convinced. You know from whom you learned them <sup>15</sup>and that from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that the man of God may be complete, well equipped for every good work.

<sup>4:1</sup>I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who is going to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>Preach the word. Be ready whether it is convenient or not. Correct, rebuke, and encourage, with all patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For there will come a time when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, because they have itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in line with their own desires. <sup>4</sup>They will also turn their ears away from the truth and will turn aside to myths.

<sup>5</sup>As for you, keep a clear head in every situation. Bear hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

## DUET

*“In My Weakness”*

Words and music: Mike Harland and Cary Schmidt

## GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-6

Those who faithfully follow Jesus must deal the unfaithfulness of those who are hostile to the pure teaching and living of his Word.

Jesus left there and went to his hometown. His disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who heard him were amazed. They asked, “Where did this man learn these things? What is this wisdom that has been given to this man? How is it that miracles such as these are performed by his hands? <sup>3</sup>Isn’t this the carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and among his own relatives and in his own house.” <sup>5</sup>He could not do any miracles there except to lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. <sup>6</sup>He was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went around the villages teaching.

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## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Preach You the Word | 544*

## SERMON

*"Jesus: Hero or Humdrum?" | Mark 6:1-6  
Sermon Notes on the following page.*

## OFFERING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.*

*Please help us help you by recording your visit in the Connect With Us binder.*

## THE SACRAMENT

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

*If you want to establish communing fellowship with us, please wait to receive the Lord's Supper until you have had a chance to speak with the pastor.*

### PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*If you have established communing fellowship with us and desire to receive the Lord's Supper today, please use the following questions to help you prepare:*

- Q: Do I recognize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment?
- Q: Do I want forgiveness for my failures (according to the Ten Commandments) to carry out the responsibilities of my calling(s)?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus purchased forgiveness for me by his sinless life for me and death on the cross as the payment for all my sins?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of my sins?
- Q: Do I intend, with Christ's help, to fight temptation, do what I can to correct the wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works?

## COMMUNION HYMN

*Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide | 541*

## CLOSING HYMN

*God Has Spoken by His Prophets | 281*

## SERMON NOTES

Mark 6:1-6

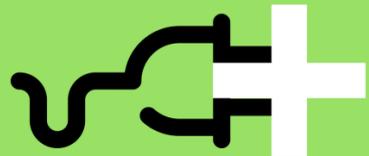
1. What is the **MAIN THING** that God teaches me in this passage?
2. What **SIN** does God lead me to confess, based on this passage?
3. What does God lead me to **GIVE THANKS** for, based on this passage?
4. What does God lead me to **PRAY** for or about, based on this passage?

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### NEXT WORSHIP SERIES:

Never before has society been so connected and yet so confused. Because of personal electronic devices and social media we are becoming increasingly oblivious to reality and relationships. The problem is not that we are plugged in. The problem may be that we are plugging into the wrong source. In Ephesians, Paul shows us the many advantages of a life in Christ: out-of-this-world wealth, community, purpose, wisdom, love ... to name a few.

PLUGGED-IN  
LIFE IN CHRIST



EPHESIANS  
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**QUARTERLY TOWN MEETING** is scheduled for next Sunday. This will be to give us a quarterly update.

**THANK YOU** to all who were able to come and help pull weeds last Monday morning. We totaled over 22 hours to get things looking better. Stay tuned for other 'spruce up' activities.

**MEN'S GROWTH GROUP** is this Monday morning. This will be your only meeting this month because Pastor Westphal will not be here on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**NEW PASTOR INSTALLATION SERVICE** will take place next Sunday, July 15 (3:30-4:30 pm) at Holy Trinity, New Hope. They will be installing Pastor Gorzalski with a pot-luck meal following the service.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** is only a month away! Be sure to save Tuesday, August 7, on your calendars. We will once again have the band and the bounce house. Invite your friends and family. This is our biggest outreach event of the year. Please consider signing-up to help at this event. There are several choices on the connection card inserted in this bulletin.

## Calendar Week

### Today

Bible Class	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Fellowship	11:00 am
Elder's Meeting	6:30 pm

### Monday

Men's Growth Group	7:00 am
Wise Penny Work Day	
Softball @ CN	6:20 pm

### Tuesday

Bible Class	3:15 pm
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### Wednesday

Lawn Mowing	6:00 pm
John Nueman, Sheli Pollard	

### Saturday

Wedding	2:00 pm
Frances and Thomas Howard	

### Sunday

Bible Class	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Town Meeting	11:00 am

## Serving in The Lord

### Usher

Today:	John Nueman
Next Sunday:	Larry Gens

### Organist

Today:	Janice Budach
Next Sunday:	Sasha Schallert

### July Money Counter

Position needs to be filled.

## Blessings from The Lord

### Attendance

Bible Class – 12
Sunday Service – 63
Tuesday Bible Class – 7

*Tithes & Offerings* \$ 2,552.50



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