

Song of Faith

The Book of Habakkuk recounts the dialogue between the prophet and God. The prophet sets his complaint before the Lord: there is evil present in Israel. God responds with a promise to use the might of Babylon to bring these wayward and stubborn children back to the realization that God alone is their strength. Then, in chapter 3, Habakkuk responds to Israel's chastisement at the hands of the enemy. He welcomes the time of sorrow and great national tribulation. He sings, sure of the knowledge that God's hand is in all of this and that He has a plan for forgiveness and salvation.

We also live in days of sin, sorrow, and tribulation. We see around us the wars and violence that mark the land and hearts of many. We hear of drought and famine, of floods, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and pandemic disease. In all of this, we can be joyful and even sing in the steadfast assurance that we are beloved and forgiven by God. Together with the Church on earth and the Church in heaven, we sing the songs of faith and praise.

Hear my cry, O Lord; let my prayers come before You. Lift up my heart and open my mouth to praise and bless Your holy name. Amen.

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About the Cover: "Increase our faith," the disciples cried. But Jesus' response defies our human expectations of God's ways. When it comes to our life in the Lord, faith is faith, no matter how big or how small. The size of a mustard seed is more than enough. Faith, by its very nature, does not trust in itself or its own size. Our faith merely looks to, relies on, and receives Jesus, our crucified and risen Lord.

Increase our faith!

Luke 17:5



Visit God's House

*****This Week*****

Sunday	6:00pm	AA Meeting
Monday	7:00pm	Catechism Class
Tuesday	10:00am	Fitness Class
Wednesday	10:00am	Beach Dog Walk
	6:00pm	Soup Supper
	7:00pm	Bible Study
Thursday	10:00am	Fitness Class
Friday		Set-up for Craft Fair
Thursday	10:00am	Fitness Class
Saturday	9am-3:00pm	Oktoberfest



- * **Church Invitation cards** are available on Narthex Table
There are both 1/2 sheet & 1/4 sheet cards available. It will be use to invite people to the Okotoberfest
- * **Catechism Class** Mondays at 7:00pm. Topics for this week will be evil, Satan and Commandments 7-10pm.
- * **Please update your membership info.** See Vicky Prince.
- * **Sign-up to be a greeter, scripture reader and to bring flowers.**
Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the sanctuary.
- * **Interested in Choir** see Vicky Prince or Dorothy Bogumil. A guest organist to be here on Reformation Sunday, so hopefully we will have special music for this day day.
- * **Annual Potato Bake and Game Night** will be on Thursday, Oct. 17 @6:00 pm. For more details, see Ken and Ruthie Fischer.
- * **Craft and Chat** will be on Friday, Oct. 18 @ 12:00 noon.
- * **We need volunteers for Altar Guild** see Jan Vonsild.
- * **Need a Notary?** Talk to Joan Haines.

Prayer Requests



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this part is not available on the Online Edition.*



seed was in deference to the size change from the seed too full grown bush. The seed is small to start with, but it grows in size and can be rather prolific.

Our faith can sometimes be seen as very small by us and by others. There are times that God and/or Satan might test us. There are also times that the world and our own sinful self test us.

As we age, we have much history in our lives. Much of our history can be good, but there are those things that can hold us back. In another story, Jesus tells His disciples that they should have faith of a young child. I used to think that it was all about the issues of trust that a child has and also the reliance on others for all of their earthly needs. They need to be fed, clothed, shelter and shown the mores of their culture. These are very true, but I am now more inclined to believe that the faith of a child involves another aspect of life. The other aspect is being willing to forgive without reservation. A child does not have all of the hindrances of bad behaviors and sinful actions. Christ came into the world to pay the penalty of the original sin of Adam and Eve. That was the beginning. He also paid the penalty for all of our actual sins.

How do we increase our faith? Could it be through the people that are in our circle of friends? Could it be where we worship and share the Lord's Supper? Could it be when we come to God in our prayers? These are all true, but it is also when we confess our sins to God and to those that we have sin against. We can also increase our faith when we share our faith with others. May God continue to increase our faith through reading, hearing and doing. AMEN

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17th Sunday of Pentecost October 6, 2019

WELCOME to Our Savior Lutheran Church! We pray that God would bless us as we praise Him through our worship. To our guests, we extend a warm welcome and ask you to sign our guest book in the narthex. Please join us for refreshments and Bible Study following the worship service.

PRAYER BEFORE SERVICE:

We worship You, dear Father, and exalt Your holy name with all our inmost being. Please enlighten our minds in light of Your awesome character and Your tremendous work of redemption in Your Son Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. You alone are worthy to be praised! Amen.

October Bible Verse of the month:

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea” (Psalm 46:1-2)



The Mission of OSLC:

To be a congregation of friendly members who set an example for this community in the witnessing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

INCREASE YOUR FAITH

DIVINE SERVICE - Setting 3 (Pg. 184-185)

SERVICE OF THE WORD (Pg. 186)

INTROIT –

P. *I hope for your salvation, O Lord, and I do your commandments. I rejoice at our word like one who finds great spoil. Seven times a day I praise you for your just and righteous decrees. Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble. My soul keeps your testimonies; I love them exceedingly.*

C. **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P. *I hope for your salvation, O Lord, and I do your commandments.*

Sing Kyrie: (Page 186) “Lord, Have Mercy”

Sing: (Page 187-188) “Gloria in Excelsis”

SALUTATION (Page 189)

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your church, Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURES

1st Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The disciples wanted to increase their faith, so Jesus schools them again. Size of a mustard seed compared to a mulberry tree was a rather big difference. No, the mustard seed was not and is not the smallest seed on the earth and no doubt Jesus knew this as well. (A black orchid seed looks like dust to the naked eye.) Certainly, the mulberry was not the largest tree but it was somewhat common. In this story, Jesus is likely speaking of the sycamine tree which was rather common. They were very prolific in the Middle East and they did have figs much like the true mulberry tree but there was a big difference. The mulberry tree had very lush and sweet fruit. The sycamine tree had edible fruit but it was bitter. So, a person was not likely to eat a fig at one sitting. The other fun fact to know and tell was the sycamine tree was known as the casket tree. The wood was durable, inexpensive and resistant to insects and weather. The quality of the wood is similar to our current pressure treated lumber. So, does that help at all with the reading or is still a bit murky for you?

I am not the smartest person on the earth, so I needed a bit more help. Jesus is reminding the disciples that there are times in our lives when things are grim and uncomfortable. We go through life knowing that some days will be great; some days will be okay and then there are those days that we just don't want to repeat. The sycamine's fruit is nice to hold, look at and safe to eat, but it is bitter. Maybe like a recent day that you might have had?

I am wondering if Jesus reference to the mustard

NICENE CREED (Read together Page 191)

SERMON HYMN: 525

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

SERMON: “**Increase Your Faith**”

OFFERING - All Stand and Sing: (Page 192-193)

SERVICES OF THE SACRAMENT (Page 194)

Sing Sanctus: (Pg. 195) “Holy, Holy, Holy”

THE LORD’S PRAYER (Page 196)

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD (Page 197)

Sing: (Pg. 198) “Agnus Dei”

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love 900

Jesus Remember me 767

Sing: (Pg. 199-200)

THANKSGIVING (Page 200)

SALUATION and BENEDICAMUS (Page 201)

THE BENEDICTION (Page 202)

CLOSING HYMN: 549

“All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name”

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 1:1-14

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:1-10

Habakkuk 1 & 2

1 The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

2 O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you "Violence!"

and you will not save?

3 Why do you make me see iniquity,

and why do you idly look at wrong?

Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

4 So the law is paralyzed,

and justice never goes forth.

For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.

2 I will take my stand at my watch post

and station myself on the tower,

and look out to see what he will say to me,

and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

2 And the LORD answered me:

"Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so he may run who reads it

3 For still the vision awaits its appointed time;

it hastens to the end-it will not lie.

If it seems slow, wait for it;

it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴ "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

2 Timothy 1:1-14

1 Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

² To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³ I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But

I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound ^[d] words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Luke 17:1-10

17 "And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin ^[a] are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ^[b] ³ Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴ and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you

⁷ "Will any one of you who has a servant ^[c] plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? ⁸ Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, ^[d] and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? ⁹ Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; ^[e] we have only done what was our duty.'"