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Matthew 16:13-20

**12th Sunday after
Pentecost**

**Contemporary Worship
9:30 and 11:00 am
August 27, 2017**



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Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church! Please sign the red Worship Witness booklet to record your attendance with us this day, and indicate how many are communing. Then pass the booklet to the worshipers beside you in your row. If you are a guest, name tags are available for you to wear--we would be delighted to greet you by name. Hearing assistance devices are available at the Gathering Space desk.

about today's service

In Isaiah the people are bid to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world, but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

P: Pastor

L: Lector

C: Congregation

✝ Gathering ✝

We gather together to praise God and receive His love.

Song of Praise: "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

Verse (2X)

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.

So shall I be saved from my enemies. I will call upon the Lord.

Chorus

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock

And may the God of my salvation be exalted!

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock
And may the God of my salvation be exalted!

Verse

Chorus

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Welcome and Announcements

(Stand)

Song: "Firm Foundation"

Chorus (2X)

Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.
Jesus, You're my firm foundation, I put my hope in Your holy Word,
I put my hope in Your holy Word.

Verse 1

I have a living hope (I have a living hope), I have a future (I have a future),
God has a plan for me (God has a plan for me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus

Verse 2

Your Word is faithful (Your word is faithful),
Mighty with power (Mighty with power),
God will deliver me (God will deliver me), of this I'm sure, of this I'm sure.

Chorus (2X)

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Confessional Prayer

P: (Pastoral Prayer) ... trusting in your power to make all things new, we
confess our sin to you and our neighbor.

**C: Lord God, in the light of your glory we see the evil we have done, the
suffering we have caused, the good we have refused, and the truth we
have denied. Heal us of our sin, wash us in your mercy, and feed us with
your grace, so that we may follow your way and tell the good news of the
gospel. Amen.**

P: God loves you and forgives you all your sins. Hear this word of forgiveness, in
the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

Song: "Lead Me To The Rock"

Verse 1

When my heart is overwhelmed, hear my cry, give heed to my prayer,
And my eyes are dim with tears, O Father, make them clear,
From the ends of all the earth, when my heart is fainting,
Let me know that You have heard, lead me into safety.

Chorus

Lead me to the Rock, the Rock that's higher,
Lead me to the Rock, that's higher than I.
Lead me to the Rock, the Rock that's higher, higher than I.

Verse 2

You, O Lord have been for me a refuge from my enemies,
Let me live within Your strength, in the shelter of Your wings,
From the ends of all the earth, when my heart is fainting,
Let me know that You have heard, lead me into safety.

Chorus 2X

Tag 2X: Higher than I.

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Greeting

P: The steadfast love of God, the life of Jesus Christ, and the growth of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray. O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Sit)

✝ Word ✝

We listen to the story of God's mighty acts for the sake of His people.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Kelly Falck, Director of Faith Formation

Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.

¹Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. ³For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: I give you thanks, O LORD, with all my heart; I will sing your praises before the gods.

C: I bow before your holy Temple as I worship. I will give thanks to your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness, because your promises are backed by all the honor of your name.

L: When I pray, you answer me; you encourage me by giving me the strength I need.

C: Every king in all the earth will give you thanks, O LORD, for all of them will hear your words.

L: Yes, they will sing about the LORD's ways, for the glory of the LORD is very great.

C: Though the LORD is great, he cares for the humble, but he keeps his distance from the proud.

L: Though I am surrounded by troubles, you will preserve me against the anger of my enemies. You will clench your fist against my angry enemies! Your power will save me.

C: The LORD will work out his plans for my life—for your faithful love, O LORD, endures forever. Don't abandon me, for you made me

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation: **"Allelu" (2X)**

Allelu! Allelu!

Ev-'rybody sing: Allelu!

For the Lord has risen, it is true.

Ev'rybody sing: Allelu!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.

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P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Sit)

Sermon: "Rock"

Pastor John H. Brock

(Stand)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 Church

Following each petition are the words: "Lord, in your mercy,"

Please respond with: "hear our prayer."

✠ Meal ✠

When we celebrate communion we remember that Jesus died for us and we experience His love and forgiveness. As we eat the bread and wine Christ is present with us.

Sharing of the Peace

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

C: **And also with you.**

(Sit)

Offering:

Optional methods of giving: text an amount to 717-963-2281 (be sure to use a "\$"); use the Giving Station in the Gathering Space to donate by credit card.

Special Music: "Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land"

Chorus (2X)

Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
A weary land, a weary land;
Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
A shelter in the time of storm.

Verse 1

No one can do like Jesus,
Not a mumbling word he said;
He went walking down to Lazarus' grave,
And he raised him from the dead.

Chorus

Verse 2

When Jesus was on earth
The flesh was very weak;
He took a towel and girded himself,
And he washed his disciples' feet.

Chorus

Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
A weary land, a weary land;
Jesus is a rock in a weary land,
A shelter in the time of storm.

Verse 3

Yonder come my Savior,
Him whom I love so well;
He has the palm of vic—to—ry
And the keys of death and hell.

Chorus (2X)

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(Stand)

Offering Prayer

P: Gracious God,

C: Receive these gifts we bring that you first gave to us. Let our offering proclaim the news of your redeeming love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: Christ is here.

C: The Spirit is with us.

P: With joy, we lift up our hearts.

C: And give thanks to the Lord of Life.

P: Almighty God, we praise you, for you are the source of all goodness. When we sinned and turned away, you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ, to be for us the way, the truth and the life. He shared our human nature, and by his death on the cross, he brought us your forgiveness. You raised him from death, forever destroying its sting. In him you make us a holy people by pouring upon us your Spirit of life and power. Through this meal, join us together with one another in the bond of your Son's love.

C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

P: *In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

P: This is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

C: Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

(Sit)

Sharing our Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians are welcome to celebrate the real presence of Jesus Christ in our Lord's Supper. Please come forward by the middle aisle, receive the bread, dip it into the wine, and return by the side aisles. Communion may be received in bread only, if desired. Non-communing children and adults are invited to come forward for a blessing. As a gesture of hospitality we use dealcoholized wine (less than .5% alcohol). In addition, we offer gluten-free wafers available upon request--please ask the pastor at the time of communion.

(Stand)

Post-Communion Blessing and Prayer

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray. We thank you Jesus for giving us not only this bread and cup, but your very self. Filled again by your grace and love, may we hunger for your justice, and may we thirst for your peace.

C: Amen.

✝ Sending ✝

*We have heard the Word of God, offered our gifts, and been fed at the table.
Now we are sent out, strengthened by the Holy Spirit to be God's people in the world.*

Blessing

P: May the God who breathed life into creation be your delight. May the love of Christ Jesus ✝ give you hope. And may the Holy Spirit, your advocate and supporter, set your hearts afire to serve.

C: **Amen.**

Song: "Rock of My Salvation"

Verse 1

Though storms of strife assail me without warning,
And though they try to steal my joy away
I will find rest in knowing you have saved me, precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Verse 2

Though times I stumble and fall short of your standard
I'll rest assured there is love enough for me,
For I find strength in knowing you have saved me, precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Chorus

Oh my Jesus, Rock of my salvation
Who bore the weight of Calvary's wood and shame
And cleansed my sin in the crimson flow of mercy,
Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

Instrumental

Verse 2

Chorus (2X)

Tag 2X: Precious Jesus, Rock of my salvation.

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Dismissal

P: Go out into the world and labor to bring forth new life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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worship notes

Attendance at our services last week was 640. Copies of last week's sermons are available on the tables in Fellowship Hall, in the narthex, the tract rack in the Gathering Space, and on our website. Our web address is: www.trinitycamphill.org.

The flowers in the Nave and Fellowship Hall, the communion elements for all services, and the sanctuary lamp candle, the symbol of God's abiding presence, are presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mamie and Carl Winfield and Grace and Harry Lape by Barbara and Carl Winfield; Lester and Alma Geist and Kenneth and Martha Seaman-Latshaw by Bonnie and Tom Seaman; and our father/grandfather Neil Dell by Sharon and Jennifer.

leaders

Presiding Minister: The Rev. Dr. Jack M. Horner

Preacher: The Rev. John H. Brock

Storyteller: Kelly Falck

Lector: (9:30) Tom Hoffert; (11:00) Karen Yeager

Greeters: (9:30) Steve Kauffman (head greeter); (11:00) Steve Kauffman (head greeter), Lois Morgan, Ed and Sherry Much

Communion Assistants: (9:30) Jack and Martha Nagle, Tom Hoffert, Marianne Brock, Pam Hess, Rick Wilson, Tom Stank; (11:00) Linda Horner, Jessica Warren, Karen Yeager, Marianne Brock, Pam Hess, Rick Wilson Tom Stank

Offering Assistants: (11:00) Jacob Libby, Andrew Bolcavage, Joshua and Jacob Albert

Ushers: (9:30) Mark Doeing, Wayne Wilkie; (11:00) Tim and Judy Trissler

Altar Care: (9:30) Pat Eby; (11:00) Susan and John Artevich

Flower Delivery: Linda Thompson, Rita Townsend

Sound Technician: (9:30) Reed Bertram; (11:00) Daryl Ackerman

Video Presentation: (9:30) Max Hahn; (11:00) Jane Killian

Slide Show Production: Barb Henderson

Visual Announcements: Jane Killian

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