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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE TODAY...

Before we begin, please:

+ **Sign in the "Fellowship Pad"**, and pass it down your pew. Both visitors and members are asked to fill in their information. You can do this before the service, or during the offering.

+ **Place ribbon bookmarks** at the page for liturgy, and one of the hymns in *Lutheran Service Book*.

+ **Place ribbon bookmarks** at the pages of the Scripture readings in the pew Bibles, if you wish to follow along.

+ **Introduce yourself** to our Pastor, if it's your first time with us; and all are encouraged to greet and get to know their fellow worshippers.

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*In Holy Communion, we joyfully receive Christ's Body & Blood for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. In participating, we publicly confess our unity in Christ's Body, and a harmony of teaching and practice. Congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod have promised to practice close communion. **Guests who desire to commune with us for the first time are asked to speak with the pastor before the service, to answer any questions you may have.** You may also wish to review Luther's "Christian Questions with Their Answers," on pp. 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book, and refer to the "Before worship" and "Before communing" prayers inside the front cover of LSB.*

If you are not in fellowship with our Synod, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Simply indicate that by folding your arms over your heart while at the communion rail.

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GOD'S WORD TODAY

Jesus Calls forth Life from death

A large funeral procession carrying the only son of a widow is confronted by another large procession, Jesus and His followers. Death and Life meet face to face at the gate of the city (Luke 7:11-17). Filled with compassion, Jesus comes into direct contact with our mortality in order to overcome it. He touches the coffin and speaks His creative words of life, "*Young man, I say to you, arise.*" Jesus does what is neither expected nor requested. For through Christ, God the Father "*is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think*" (Eph 3:14-21). Jesus bore our death in His body that we may share in His resurrection. Even as Elijah stretched himself out three times over the Zarephath woman's son (2 Kings 17:17-24), God stretched Himself out over us in the threefold application of His name in the baptismal water, breathing new and everlasting life into us. "*To Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.*"

INTROIT

Be gracious to me, ' O LORD,
for to you do I cry ' all the day.

**For you, O LORD, are good and for- ' giving,*
abounding in steadfast love to all who call up- ' on you.**

Incline your ear, O LORD, and ' answer me,*
for I am poor and ' needy.

**In the day of my trouble I call up- ' on you,*
for you ' answer me.**

I give thanks to you, O LORD my God, with ' my whole heart,*
and I will glorify your name for- ' ever.

**For great is your steadfast ' love toward me;*
you have delivered my soul from the depths ' of Sheol.**

**Glory be to the Father and ' to the Son*
and to the Holy ' Spirit;**

**as it was in the be - 'ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. ' Amen.**

Be gracious to me, ' O LORD,
for to you do I cry ' all the day.

**For you, O LORD, are good and for- ' giving,*
abounding in steadfast love to all who call up- ' on you.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

STEWARDSHIP SENTENCES FROM SYNOD

"For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named." We have a Father in heaven. He cares for us. He knows how to give us all good things. This knowledge frees us from worry and anxiety. Jesus returned to this theme again and again, and we should take Him at His Word: our Father will care for us, so we can be secure in generosity and faithful living.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY - Luke 7:11-17 (Oct. 1)

"He portrayed how it will happen in such grand terms (i.e. the shout of the archangel) in order that we should be confident and bold and not be so frightened over those who die, especially those who die in faith in and through Christ, and we should hope that Christ himself may come and take them, and us with them." LW 51:254

Quotation from Luther's Works, American Edition

(56 vols.; St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House and Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1955-1986).

**16th Sunday after
Trinity**

October 1, 2017

Order of Service

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"The Strife Is O'er, The Battle Done"

SERMON

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μ **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** p.164

Thank the Lord

μ **BENEDICTION**

μ **CLOSING HYMN** st.5-8 p.741

"Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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