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Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Romans 14:1-12

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. ⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For

to this end Christ died and lived again, that He might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²²Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. ²³"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also My heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



*Joy Lutheran is here to welcome all people,
 celebrate Christ Jesus as Lord and Savior,
 nourish spiritual growth for all and
 serve human needs in every way.*

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Traditional Service 8 a.m.
Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Joy Lutheran Church. **If you are visiting us today, please fill out a white Visitor Information card in the pew.** If you have a prayer request, please use the reverse side of the Visitor Information card and hand it to an usher or put it in the offering plate.

Communion Joy Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion at each regular worship service. This is a special meal that celebrates our unity of faith in Jesus who is our Lord and Savior. In this meal, Jesus gives us His body and blood, in, with and under the bread and the wine to forgive our sins and to strengthen our faith. Confessing this oneness of faith, we invite you to share in this special meal.

Children in Worship We encourage children to participate in worship services. We have children's bulletins available for small children.

COVID 19 PANDEMIC PROTOCOLS WILL BE FOLLOWED.



CELEBRATION OF JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY
Next Sunday, September 20
One 9 a.m. Outdoor Service
 Bring your own lunch. Cupcakes will be provided.
(Rain date: September 27)

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS will not be available until further notice.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS have returned to 8 a.m.—4 p.m. (Closed Noon—1 p.m.)

SALE OF PARSONAGE ITEMS
THIS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 8 a.m.—5 p.m.
Sale will be at the parsonage *(Cambridge City Wide Garage Sale is Saturday)*

If you are available to help this Friday or Saturday, please contact Karen Long at 612-280-8127 or jimkarelong@gmail.com. We will practice social distancing and wear masks and will ask customers to do the same. If you might be available to help set up for the sale this week, please let Karen know as well.

Everything will be removed from the parsonage. We are only saving the holiday decorations. If there is something that you would like to get from the parsonage or feel something should be saved, please let someone from Leadership know or make arrangements to get the item.

THANK YOU! to those of you who are sorting and cleaning at the parsonage.

JOY VOLUNTEERS will be on the road with Home Delivered Meals next week—September 21, 22, 23 & 25. To volunteer, please contact Marlys Moline, 763-689-3884.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING Tuesday, September 22, 7 p.m.

WOMEN OF JOY voted not to hold the Harvest Festival this year.
Women of Joy meeting minutes are in the narthex.

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS for August and September are in the narthex.

OUR DAILY BREAD for September—November are in the narthex.

September 13—September 20, 2020

Today	Traditional Service Contemporary Service	8 AM 10:30 AM
Tuesday	Volunteers at Shalom	12:30—4 PM
Friday, September 18	Sale of parsonage items only—at parsonage	8 AM—5 PM
Saturday, September 19	Sale of parsonage items only—at parsonage Men's Bible Study	8 AM—5 PM 8 AM
Sunday, September 20	9 a.m. Outdoor Service for 50th Anniversary Celebration Anniversary Fellowship Time after service	
Tuesday, September 22	Leadership Team Meeting	7 PM
Sunday, September 27	Rain date for Outdoor Anniversary Celebration	

NO HARVEST FESTIVAL THIS YEAR
 (Usually held the second Friday of October)

Assisting in Worship

Service	Reader	Ushers	ELDERS Greg Thompson Rod Elmstrand Ken Wing Robert Severson Hugh Gibson
Today 8 a.m.	Pastor Lewis	Warren Kamps	
Today 10:30 a.m.	Pastor Lewis	Jason Stamm	
Next Sunday September 20 One 9 a.m. outdoor service	Pastor Lewis	Ministry opportunity	

TELEPHONE PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT: Marlys Moline, 763-689-3884.
If Marlys is unavailable, please call the church office—763-689-4355.

In our prayers we remember: Mary Avre; Emerald Cramsie; Sheri Lundeen

Keep these military personnel and their families in your prayers:
 Eric Bjorklund; Marcus Bjorklund; Pat & Tricia Cassidy; Kent & Jen Reichle