

**Proper 17C Psalm 75:1–2, 6, 9; antiphon: v. 7**

**P** It is God who executes judgment, putting down one and lifting up another.

**C** We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds.

**P** At the set time that I appoint I will judge with equity.

**C** For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up.

**P** But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

**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.

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**CATECHISM**

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.” (John 20:22–23)

**LEARN BY HEART***Isaiah 58:5*

Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD?

**COLLECT**

O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Deut 30:15-20; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-

**INVOCATION**

**INTROIT** (front page)

**MEDITATION:** *Portals of Prayer* and Catechism

**LEARN BY HEART:** Bible Verse (front page)

**DAILY READINGS:**

SU:	8/31	1 Kings 16:29—17:24	2 Corinthians 9:1–15
M:	9/1	1 Kings 18:1–19	Ephesians 1:1–23
T:	9/2	1 Kings 18:20–40	Ephesians 2:1–22
W:	9/3	1 Kings 19:1–21 (1 Kings 20:1—22:53)	Ephesians 3:1–21
TH:	9/4	2 Kings 2:1–18	Ephesians 4:1–24
F:	9/5	2 Kings 2:19–25; 4:1–7	Ephesians 4:25—5:14
SA:	9/6	2 Kings 4:8–22, 32–37	Ephesians 5:15–33

**HYMN OF THE MONTH:** LSB #861 Christ Be My Leader

**APOSTLES’ CREED****IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

- for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and peace
- **Birthdays this upcoming week:** Sandra Oliver; John Bryton Koch; Kristin Rugroden; Michaela Fresia
- **Baptism Birthdays this upcoming week:** Joan, Mason, Clinton, Carol, Hattie

**COLLECT** (front page); **LORD’S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**P** The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

**C** Amen