

## **Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Gospel Reading Luke 17: 5-10**

**Adapted from First Nations Version: An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament 2021**

**Reader: The Lord be with you.**

**All: And also with you.**

**Reader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke**

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**After Creator Sets Free Jesus speaks to the ones who walked the road with him, one of his message bearers pleads with him, “Wisdomkeeper, help our weak faith.”**

**Creator Sets Free Jesus responds, “If you had faith as small as a mustard seed, you could say to the mulberry tree, “Come out by the roots and be planted in the sea!” and the mulberry tree would do what you say!”**

**Creator Sets Free Jesus went on to say, “Would an Elder who sent a young hunter out to hunt for a deer, when the hunter returned, would the Elder say “Sit down while I skin the deet and cook the meal for you!”? No! The Elder would say, “Now skin the deer, then clean up, and cook for me! Then when I am finished, you can eat.”**

**Creator Sets Free Jesus went on to say, “The hunter is only doing what is expected and deserves no special thanks. In the same way, when you have done everything the Great Spirit expects of you, serve the Great Spirit as you would serve an Elder and do not be honoured for doing only what you should do!**

**The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**