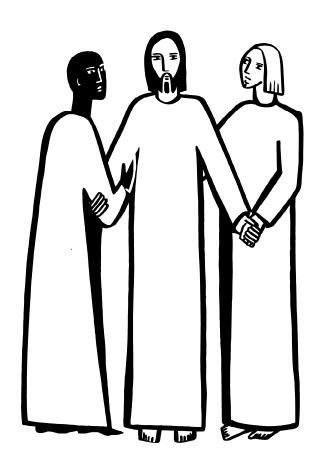
14th Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday August 24th 5:00 PM Sunday, August 25th 9:00 AM



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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During the **Offering**, the ushers will pass the offering plates. In addition to placing gifts in the plates, this QR code can be used if you would like to give electronically through **Tithe.ly**







We have an open table for **Holy Communion** with two options to receive communion:

1) Come forward, at the direction of the ushers, to receive communion by **Intinction**. You will receive a wafer (gluten free available) and then dip it either in the wine (red) or grape juice (white).

Children and others not wishing to receive communion may come forward with their hands folded to receive a blessing. Otherwise, come forward with you palms open to receive a wafer.

2) Stay in your pew and use the **self-contained communion cups** (wafer on the top and grape juice on the bottom). These are located in the rear of the sanctuary as you walk in.

There are portions of the worship service when the **assembly is invited to stand**. Feel free to sit anytime during worship.

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Prelude

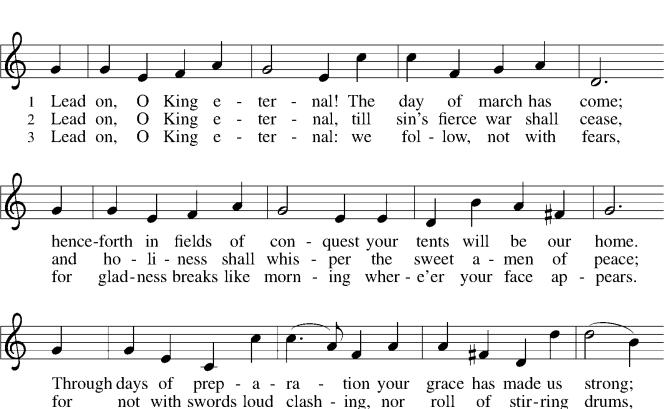
Welcome, Announcements & Call to Worship

GATHERING

Gathering Song: "Lead On, O King Eternal!"

ELW #805

please stand as you are able





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and now, O King lift bat - tle e ter - nal, our song. we deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n-ly king - dom comes. the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, 0 God might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917

Your

Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

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lift - ed

Confession and Forgiveness

L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C Amen.

L Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection

L God, our provider,

C Help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

L Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

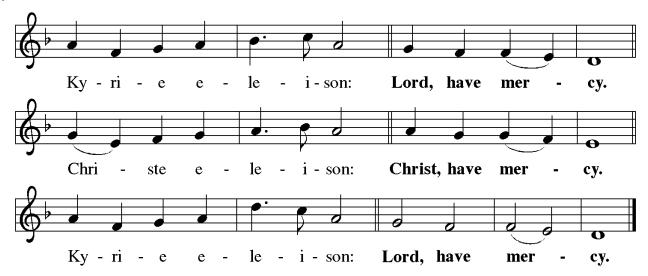
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C Amen.

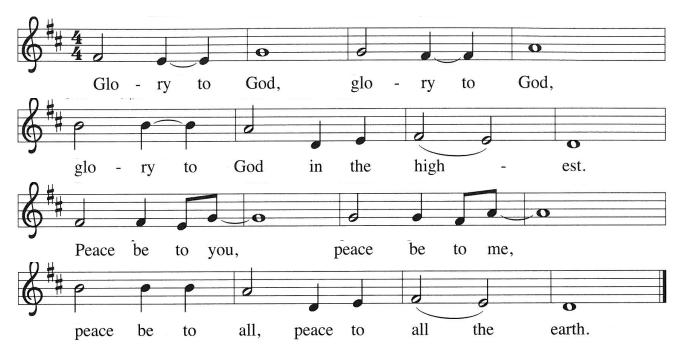
Greeting

- L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

Kyrie



Canticle of Praise: "Glory to God"



Text: Marcus Veenstra; tr. composite
Music: GLORIA A DIOS, Marcus Veenstra; arr. Greg Scheer, b. 1966
Text and music © Marcus Veenstra, admin. Augsburg Fortress

Prayer of the Day

C Holy God,
your word feeds your people with life that is eternal.
Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth,
that, renouncing what is false and evil,
we may live in you,
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

you may be seated

WORD

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴"Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

R Word of God, word of life. C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:15-22

Congregation reads the bold verses

¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.

- ¹⁷The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.
- ¹⁸The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed.
- ¹⁹Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the LORD delivers them from every one.
- ²⁰God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.
- ²¹Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- ²²O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Second Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

R Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.



Gospel: John 6:56-69

P The Holy Gospel according to John the 6th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ⁵⁶"Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

you may be seated

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Rev. Jon Strasman, Pastor

Hymn of the Day: "Blessed Assurance"

ELW #638

please stand as you are able



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830-1908

Apostles' Creed

C 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 People

- L Merciful God,
- C Receive our prayer.
- L We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.
- C Amen. you may be seated

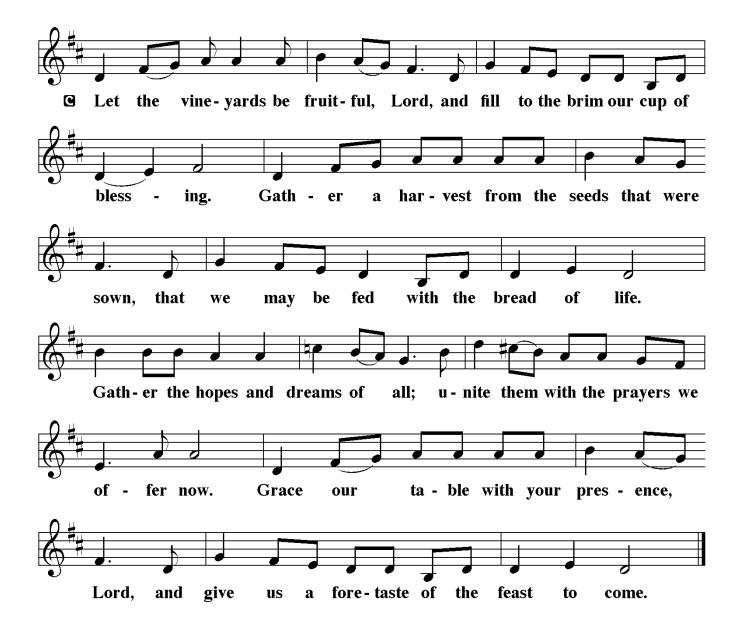
MEAL

The Offering



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Offering Song: "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"



Offering Prayer

please stand as you are able

P Let us pray:

C Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
Amen.

Words of Institution

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.

The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

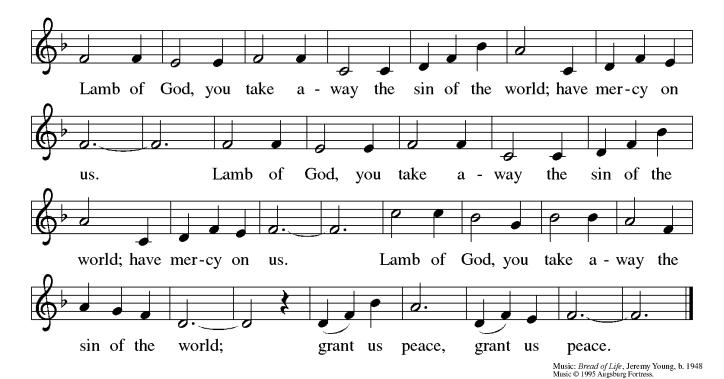
Amen.

Communion

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

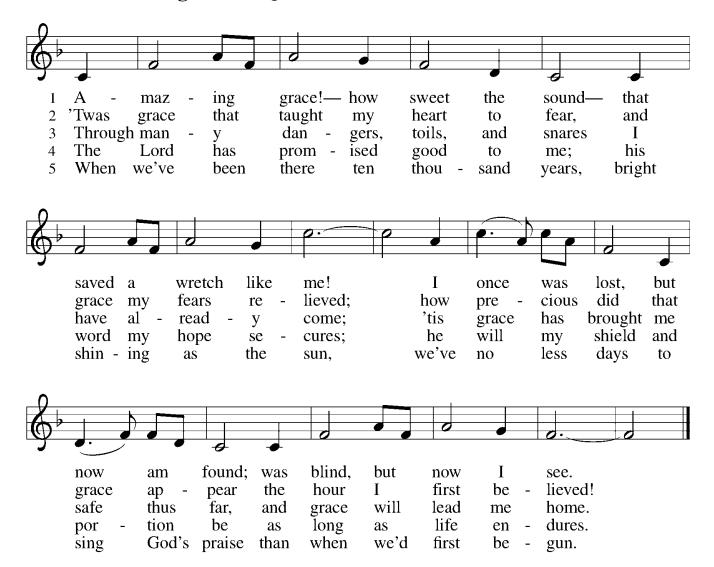
Communion Song: "Lamb of God"

you may be seated



Communion Song: "Amazing Grace"

ELW #779



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4; anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Table Blessing

please stand as you are able

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you always in God's grace.

C Amen

Prayer after Communion

P Let us pray:

C Jesus,

Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.
Amen.

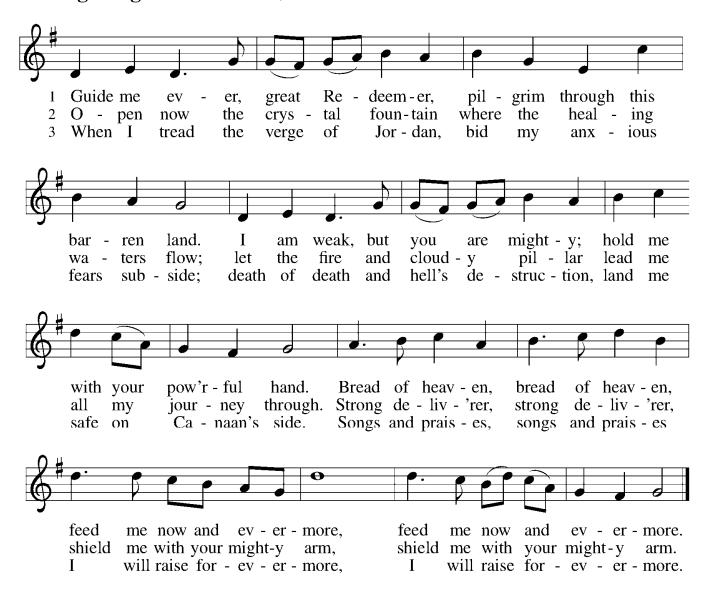
SENDING

Blessing

- P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.
- C Amen.

Sending Song: "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

ELW #618



Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt. Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Dismissal

- P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.