

# 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday, August 2nd 5:00 PM

Sunday, August 3rd 9:00 AM



## OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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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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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Prelude, Welcome, Announcements & Call to Worship

### GATHERING

#### Gathering Song: “Build a Longer Table”

ACS 1062

*please stand as you are able*



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,  
2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;  
3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.  
4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.  
where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.  
Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.  
Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,  
For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,  
When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,  
So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.  
Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.  
Christ tears down our fenc - es; all are wel - come here.  
None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: NOËL NOUVELET, French carol

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## **Confession and Forgiveness**

**L** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**L** Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

**L** Merciful God,

**C** **You free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us,  
break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life.  
Amen.**

**L** You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

**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

ELW Service of the Word

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste e - le - i - son: Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: Lord, have mer - cy.

## Canticle of Praise: "Glory to God"

ACS #911

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,

glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Peace be to you, peace be to me,

peace be to all, peace to all the earth.

Text: Marcus Veenstra; tr. composite  
Music: GLORIA A DIOS, Marcus Veenstra; arr. Greg Scheer, b. 1966  
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## Prayer of the Day

**C** Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

*you may be seated*

## WORD

### First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. <sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind. <sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

R Word of God, word of life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 49:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

<sup>2</sup> **you of high degree and low,  
rich and poor together.**

<sup>3</sup> My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

<sup>4</sup> **I will incline my ear to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in evil days,

when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,  
<sup>6</sup> **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess,  
and boast of their great riches?**  
<sup>7</sup> One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;  
<sup>8</sup> **for the ransom of a life is so great  
that there would never be enough to pay it,**  
<sup>9</sup> in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.  
<sup>10</sup> **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish  
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**  
<sup>11</sup> Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation  
to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.  
<sup>12</sup> **Even though honored, they cannot live forever;  
they are like the beasts that perish.**

## **Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

R Word of God, word of life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*please stand as you are able*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -  
lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 12th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

## Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’” <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’” <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’” <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward 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: "Lead Me, Guide Me"

ELW #768

*please stand as you are able*

*Refrain*

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;

for if you lead me, I can - not stray.

Lord, let me walk each day with thee.

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r  
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,  
3 I am lost if you take your hand from me,

to help me o - ver my weak - est hour.

be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.

I am blind with - out . . . thy light to see.

Help me through the dark - ness thy face to see.

I am put - ting all . . . my trust in thee.

Lord, just al - ways let me thy ser - vant be.

*Refrain*

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Text: Doris Akers, 1922–1995

Music: Doris Akers

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LEAD ME, GUIDE ME  
Irregular

## **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** God of grace,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**L** Trusting in your loving kindness,  
we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## **Peace**

**L** The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*you may be seated*

# MEAL

## The Offering



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## Offering Song: “Goodness Is Stronger than Evil”

ELW #721



Good - ness is stron - ger than e - vil; love is stron - ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



ours, vic - t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

Text: From *An African Prayer Book*, Desmond Tutu, b. 1931

Music: GOODNESS IS STRONGER, John L. Bell, b. 1949

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## Offering Prayer

*please stand as you are able*

### C Creator God,

**in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.**

**Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**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** The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

## Communion Song: "Lamb of God"

ELW 195

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948  
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## Communion Song: "Break Now the Bread of Life"

ELW 515

1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you  
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you  
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly  
broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page  
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,  
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live  
I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.  
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!  
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841–1913, alt.  
Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826–1888

# Communion Song: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

ELW 471

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The score is divided into three main sections: a three-part setting of the first verse, a three-part setting of the second verse, and a refrain. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line and a more active treble line with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing  
sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

## **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**

**C** Mothering God,  
you gathered us to your table  
and we drank deeply of your grace.  
Send us out by your Spirit  
to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love  
in Jesus' name.  
Amen.

## **SENDING**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord's face smile upon you  
and be gracious to you;  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and give you peace.  
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Sending Song: "We Know That Christ is Raised"

ELW #449

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.  
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

Em - braced by death, he broke its fear - ful hold,  
Re - born, we share with him an Eas - ter life,  
The Spir - it's fis - sion shakes the church of God.  
as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.  
as liv - ing mem - bers of our Sav - ior Christ.  
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing:

Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: John B. Geyer, b. 1932

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

Text © John B. Geyer.

## Dismissal

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.