

August 4, 2024

Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

We are glad you are here!
*It is always good to be together, hearing the Word proclaimed
and sharing in the Lord's Supper.*
Thank you for choosing to worship at Trinity Lutheran Topeka.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 8

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

HYMN SING ALONG

GATHERING

Please stand as you are able.

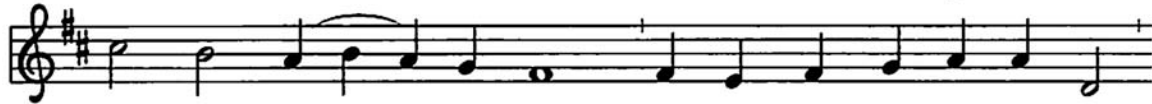
GATHERING HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his
3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread
4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um-phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty victim from the sky,
hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
you have conquered in the fight,
you have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
you have opened paradise,
and your saints in you shall rise.
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy,
this alone can sin destroy!
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
newborn souls in you to be.
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

GREETING

P 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

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
 hun-gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam-i-ly; for
 wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

¹ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. ² Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 78:23-29

Spoken responsively

²³So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,
²⁴**raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.**
²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.
²⁶**The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,**
²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,
²⁸**letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round about the dwellings.**
²⁹So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.42

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:24-35

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were beside the sea, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?"

²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.

Come from wil-der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less - ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

P Let us confess our faith with the words of the 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.

THE PRAYERS

A Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring a gentle breeze. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Compassionate God, help government leaders of this world unite for peace and justice. Humble all who hold authority, that power is directed toward a more just society. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Bread of life from heaven, you feed us. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed and comforted and healed, especially Peggy Buchholz, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Dea Polzin, and Martha Nemeth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A O Wisdom of truth, help us to understand your will for the church. Be with congregations experiencing transition, redevelopment, and the exciting yet frightening path of newness. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Life-giving God, we offer our prayers for Janeen Horton and Shelley Andrews as they celebrate their birthdays, and for Rick & Janice Greenlee and Bob & Janeen Horton as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries, Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of your saints now departed. Bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

P We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.

C **Amen.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with God's peace.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

Please stand as you are able.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD

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, Lamb of God.

Refrain

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en,

we eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

- | | | | |
|---|---------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| 1 | Break now the bread | of Christ's sac - ri - fice; | giv - ing |
| 2 | Seek not the food | that will pass a - way; | set your |
| 3 | Love as the one | who, in love for you, | gave him - |
| 4 | Dwell in the one | who now dwells in you; | make your |
| 5 | Drink of this cup | and de - clare his death; | eat this |

thanks, hun - gry ones,	gath - er round.	Eat, all of you, and be
hearts on the food	that en - dures.	Come, learn the true and the
self for the life	of the world.	Come to the one who is
home in the life - giv - ing	Word.	Know on - ly Christ, Ho - ly
bread and be - lieve	Eas - ter morn;	trust his re - turn and, with

sat - is - fied;	in Christ's pres - ence	the loaves will a - bound.
liv - ing way,	that the full - ness	of life may be yours.
food for you,	that your hun - ger	and thirst be no more.
One of God,	and be - lieve in the	truth you have heard.
ev - 'ry breath,	praise the one	in whom you are re - born.

Refrain

Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

SENDING PRAYER FOR COMMUNION KITS

P Gracious God, loving all your family with a parent's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist us in this ministry on which we are sent forth. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this sacrament, that through the body and blood of your Son we all may know the comfort of your abiding presence.

C 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 HYMN

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

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See page 16.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments downstairs in Fellowship Hall immediately after worship.

POSTLUDE

1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es

feed me now and ev - er - more, ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield me with your might - y arm, might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY

Today, Aug. 4	Doorstep Food Collection	
.....	Hymn Sing Along.....	10:15 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship
.....	Congregational Life meeting.....	Noon
Tues., Aug., 6	Quilters	9:00 AM
Sunday, Aug. 11.....	Adult Sunday School.....	9:30 AM
.....	Worship with Holy Communion	10:30 AM
.....	Coffee Hour	after worship
.....	PFLAG meeting	2:00 PM

Council Members, there will be an extra council meeting on Tuesday, August 20, at 6:00 pm.

Hymn Sing Along = Food for Our Soul
Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors



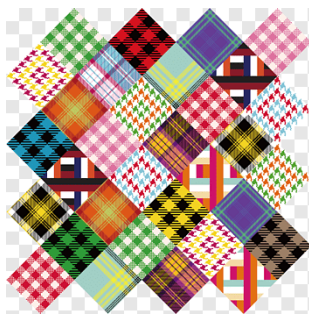
Today is our food collection day for Doorstep. If you forgot to bring food for donation, you may drop it off at the office during the week.

Please remember our neighbors in need when you do your grocery shopping.



Worship Assistants								
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts
Aug. 4	Brayden Winsor	Marcy Carlson, Dean McGinnis	Laurie Jackson	LaVell Winsor	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Janice Greenlee
Aug. 11	Cindy McGinnis	Howard Reece, Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Loni Reece	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones	Steve Luoma
Aug. 18	Parker Jackson	Bob Horton, Dean McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Duane Pomeroy	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones	Marilyn Heckman
Aug. 25		Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Laurie Jackson	Shelley Andrews	Jane Lewis & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Diane Bottorff

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS						
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/Commun-
July 7	\$3,405.00	\$25.00	\$3,430.00	-\$2,211.54	\$1,218.46	30/28
July 14	\$511.00	\$1,630.00	\$2,141.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$70.54	34/32
July 21	\$1,460.00	\$0.00	\$1,460.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$751.54	30/26
July 28	\$1,426.00	\$40.00	\$1,466.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$745.54	36/28
		June 2024	\$6,554.00	-\$11,192.05	-\$4,638.05	
		Jan. - June	\$56,724.82	-\$62,478.39	-\$5,753.57	



Our quilting group is asking for donations so they can purchase more batting. Each bolt of batting can cost around \$100.

If you would like to help, you can put a check or cash in the offering plate, with a note to designate it for the quilters.



From the CSS newsletter:

We extend our prayers to include members of our Companion Synod Team travelling for a visitation with our Synod partner, the Kotte District of Papua New Guinea. Rev. Gary Teske, Rev. Aimée Appell, Rev. Daniel Lilienkamp, and Ms. Joyce Benedict depart August 11th. During their trip four synods will meet in consultation and then with their respective companion synods.

Rev. Teske writes, "We will be spending in excess of 25 hours airborne, not counting

the time in transit through airports, and that is just one way! We have not been together since 2019, mainly due to the Pandemic. During our visit, we have new leadership to meet and develop relationships with as well as some old friends to catch up with. We will be sharing our faith and worshipping together to affirm one another's faith and ministry. Language will be an issue in some situations as not everyone in PNG speaks English and we will need to listen carefully in order to gain understanding, not just of what is being said but the context of the differences in our cultures."

The team will be gathering examples and expressions of their companion's faith that



can enrich us in the Central States Synod. Acknowledging that we have resources, money

being one of them, that they do not possess the team will also look at concrete ways that we can assist them in their ministry without fostering dependency.

You may remember that we took up a collection in April to support this trip to Papua New Guinea. If you would like to give more, you may do so online at www.css-elca.org/give. (Select Companion Synod - Papua New Guinea from the drop down list.)





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10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

Together in Community

Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Living with Christ's Love

As Lutherans, we believe that we are justified by faith alone through the grace of God (*Ephesians 2:1-9*). As our namesake Martin Luther made clear, we are both sinners and saints as we live our lives of faith. Together as Christians, we are called to allow God into our lives everyday and to do our best to live according to Christ's love. We do this through being a community of faithful that welcomes all people to join us in prayer, service, study, and worship as we journey together in learning how to live out the Great Commandment.

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