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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

10:30 AM Service of Communion

Luther Place Memorial Church

GATHERING

Prelude: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Chris Rice

We welcome you to worship today! We are a church that uses social media.
You are invited to interact on this live video through the comment section.
We will offer communion today and ask that you prepare bread and wine/juice.

Noticing

***Confession:**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

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

Silence...

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.

P: Beloved people of God:

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

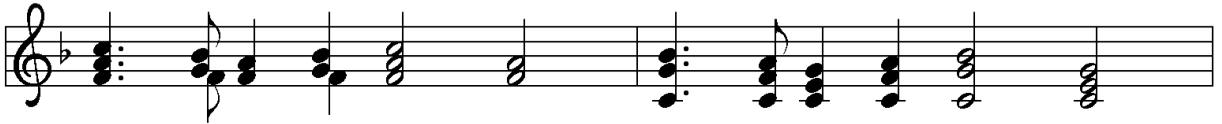
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, † the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:

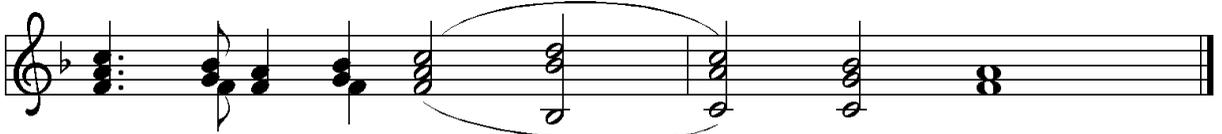
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
 1, 3 *Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.*
 2 *Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.*



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
 Chris - te e - le - i - son.
Lord, . . . have mer - cy.
Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

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.

Prayer of the Day

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING**Jeremiah 23:1-6**

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ²Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life

C: Thanks be to God.**Psalm 23**¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no
evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.****Gospel Acclamation: ELW 869 We Have Seen the Lord**

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark

C: Glory to you, O Lord

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told Jesus all that they had done and taught. ³¹Jesus said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As Jesus went ashore, they saw a great crowd and had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and Jesus began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized Jesus, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard Jesus was. ⁵⁶And wherever They went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged Jesus that they might touch even the fringe of Jesus’ cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Noticing

Sermon

The Rev. Karen Brau

Hymn of the Day: 23rd Psalm by Bobby McFerrin

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Prayers of the People

Let us offer our prayers to God, responding to each petition with an echo from Ephesians, **“Grant us your peace.”**

O God our shepherd, the church calls out for your care. Form bishops and pastors into courageous shepherds who guide the flocks of the baptized. Where the pandemic recedes, renew the worship and revive the ministries of your churches. Where throughout the world the pandemic rages, uphold your people with the strength of your word. Show mercy to the church, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

The lands and waters call out for renewal. Provide green pastures and still waters for livestock, and protect gardens, farms, and ranches from disaster. Where flood or drought threatens, save your creation with your loving might. Show mercy to the earth, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

All the needy cry to you. Restore all who are oppressed or imprisoned. Visit Haiti, Cuba, and all nations in distress. Guide the leaders of nations to walk in the pathways of justice. Break down the walls that divide people of different nation, color, language, or ethnicity. Show mercy to the nations, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

Embrace all who are lonely or abandoned. Protect teenage runaways, and house any who are experiencing homelessness. Grant acceptance to quarreling family members. Bless all governmental and church agencies of care with sufficient resources for their tasks. Show mercy to all in want, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

We pray for the safety of the athletes at the Olympics. Cultivate among them a spirit of friendly camaraderie, and protect the residences of Tokyo from COVID contagion. Show mercy to this worldwide pursuit, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

Those who are sick stand in need of your care. Visit all who have COVID-19, and accompany those who are standing in the shadow of death. Be a strong rod to those who are weak, and with your staff keep evil distant from all your children. Hear our pleas for those we name here before you. . . Show mercy to all who suffer, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

We thank you for all the faithful of every time and place, especially those we name here before you. . . . We pray that at the end, we all will dwell in your house forever. Show mercy to us all, O God: **Grant us your peace.**

P: Into your hands, today and forever, we commit all for whom we pray, trusting in the grace made known to us in Jesus Christ, who is our peace.

C: Amen

Exchange of Peace

Announcements

Please subscribe to our eNews at lutherplace.org/calendar-news or [click here](#) to view our full list of announcements.

Offering

You can donate by texting the dollar amount to +12028166673 or clicking [this link](#). We are inviting you to give financially, out of your heart and love for God. Our giving is a spiritual practice as part of our faith and discipleship.

Mission of the Moment: Movement Support

Offering Prayer

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us:
like a mother receives her child,
with arms open wide.

Nourish us anew in your tender care,
and empower us in faithful service
to tend to others with this same love,
through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.

Amen.

MEAL

***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...

Sanctus: ELW 525



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

Thanksgiving at the Table

In the night in of the betrayal,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to the disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, Jesus 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.

****Maori version of The Lord's Prayer in honor of indigenous people:***

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope
and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trial too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.
Amen.**

****Agnus Dei: Spoken***

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

Communion:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Prayer after Communion

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face,

and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed.

Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

***Table Blessing**

P: The Creator of all keep you all the days of your life.

The hand of God protect you;

the holy angels accompany you;

and the blessing of God, who creates, redeems and heals †

be with you now and forever..

C: Amen.

SENDING

Dismissal

Beloved, go in peace.

Work for justice,

encounter God in all you see,

and know you are LOVED!

C: Thanks be to God!

Sending Song: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Jack Schrader

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