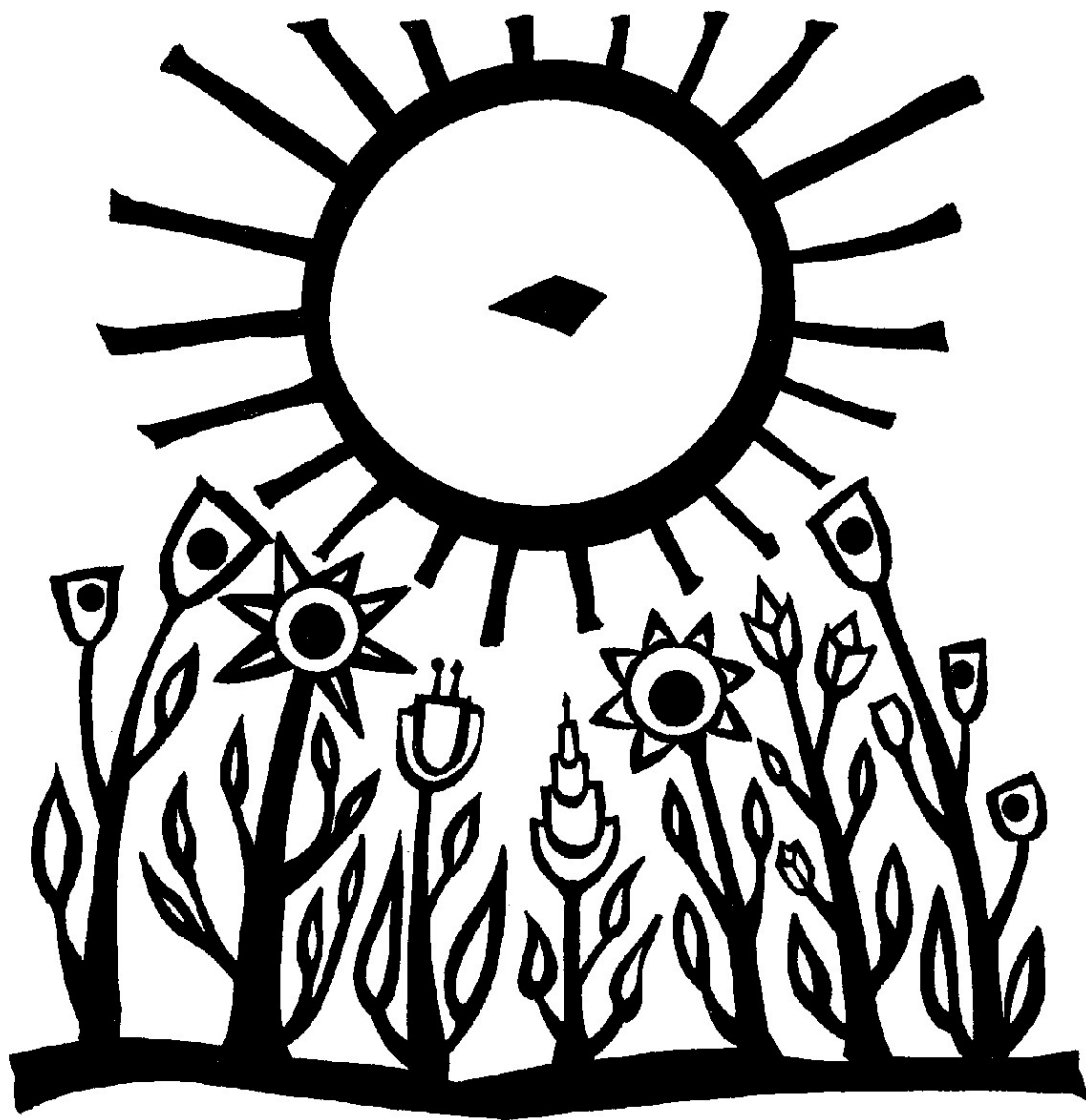


Welcome to
Luther Memorial Church
of the Erie Lutheran Parish



18 AUGUST 2024
The Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
10:30 am

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

LUTHER MEMORIAL ACADEMY

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JAN MACINNES

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WELCOME!

THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE!

TOGETHER WE WILL REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!

+ Everything you need to follow along in worship is included in this bulletin. You are invited to stand and sit—as you are able—as indicated herein.

+ If you have need to **children's** bulletins, coloring pages, crayons, or other supplies they are available on the Welcome Table. You can proceed out the door next to the pulpit and find the Welcome Table near the door.

- Children are always welcome in worship and together we make a joyful noise! However, if you have need, a staffed nursery is available down the stairs across from the Welcome Table.

+ An all-gender and accessible **restroom** is available out the door next to the pulpit, up the ramp, and to the right. Follow signs for “Handicap Bathroom.” Other restrooms are available down the hallway next to Faith Chapel across from the parlor.

+ You do not need to turn off or disconnect here! However, please be mindful of those worshipping around you and turn your phones and devices to silent. Feel free to take pictures of our beautiful sanctuary or post about the sermon. However, we ask that you ask permission before taking any people pictures.

+ We welcome all to worship and to the Table trusting that it is the Holy Spirit that draws us all together. If you would like information about joining the congregation or receiving the Sacraments of the Church, be sure to talk to Pastor Jay after worship (you can usually find him next to the pulpit after the service).

18 AUGUST 2024

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Holy Communion • ELW – Setting One • 10:30

GATHERING – “The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.”

PRELUDE – “Ciacona in E Minor”

Dietrich Buxtehude

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P** Please pray with me. Jesus, you spread out your arms to welcome the world. And then you tell us to feed them.
- C** But we struggle with your command.
We find the seed of doubt growing in our hearts:
What is our compassion among so much pain?
What is our small kindness in a system of injustice?
What is one act of reconciliation in a divided society?
How can so little food feed so many hungry mouths?
- P** We have simply forgotten: when you ask us to feed the world, you always provide the bread.
- C** Even when we have tasted
the bread you multiply;
even when we gather your leftovers,
we still find ourselves between your wondrous power
and our sinful reality.
- P** So we ask for your forgiveness.
- C** When you call for our faith,
forgive our unbelief.
As you prepare our heavenly dwelling,
forgive our earthly worries.
When you offer us armfuls of food that satisfies,
forgive our appetite for unhealthy fare.
When your gospel challenges us,
forgive our irritable complaints.
- P** People of God, Jesus knows you are hungry for forgiveness. So Jesus has set our table with bread from heaven; and a feast to heal the soul. You are forgiven. God leavens you with eternal goodness. + Jesus gives you forgiveness enough to share. And the Holy Spirit fills your life with the flavor of transformation. You are forgiven.
- C** God, give us this bread always. Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 689

Praise and Thanksgiving

1 Praise and thanks - giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -

liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will

or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
 Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version
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GREETING

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

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -

lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Living Bread, you are the answer to our hunger. You are as simple and near to us as a loaf of bread on the kitchen counter; you are as vast and transcendent as manna scattered on the ground. Invite us deeper into your mystery. Let us taste the life you offer. Transform our hunger into action, our eating into praise.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

WORD – “God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.”

READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

¹Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her animals; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her female servants; she calls from the highest places in the town, ⁴“You who are simple, turn in here!” To those without sense she says, ⁵“Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Lay aside immaturity and live, and walk in the way of insight.”

L The Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14 (Read responsively.)

⁹Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

¹⁰**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**

¹¹Come, children, and listen to me;
I will teach you reverence for the Lord.

¹²**Who among you takes pleasure in life
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**

¹³Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from lying words.

¹⁴**Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.**

Please stand as you are able to greet the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

P The Holy Gospel according to John.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, ⁵¹“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Judeans then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son-of-Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day, ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those 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 the ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

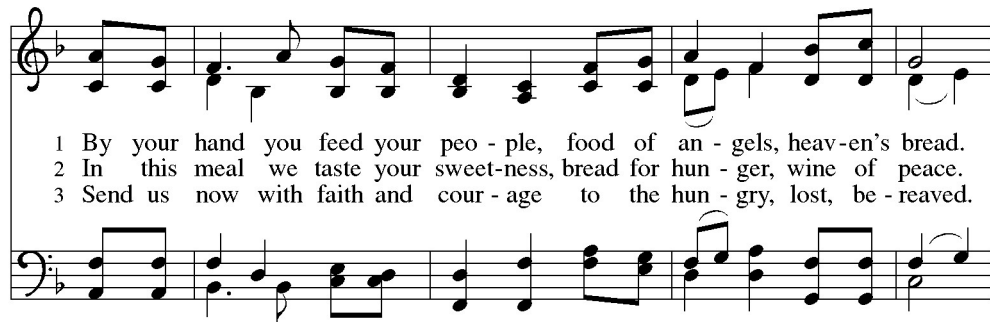
Pastor Lundwall

Please stand as you are able to proclaim the Word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY

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By Your Hand You Feed Your People

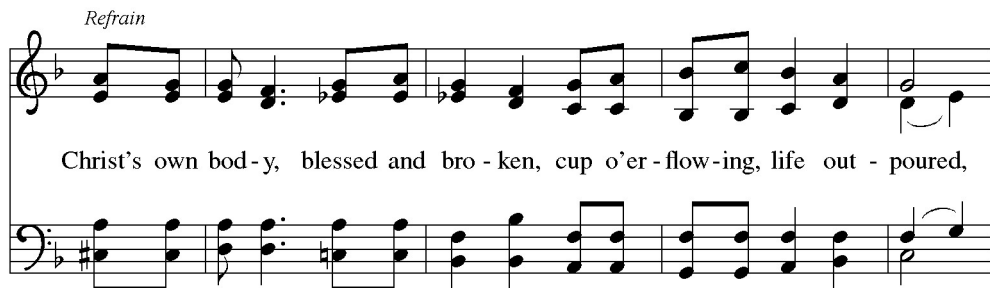


1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.

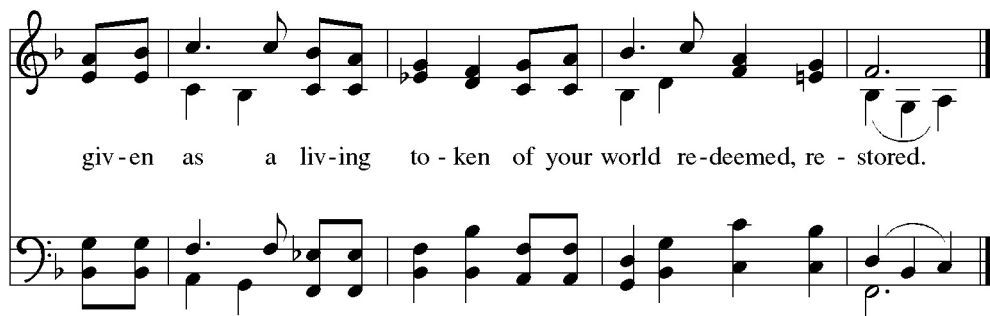


For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

Refrain



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952
Music: CAMROSE, Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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APOSTLES' CREED

A Siblings in Christ, let us confess the faith into which we are baptized.

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

You may kneel, sit, or stand as is your custom.

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 Wisdom has built her house. May the church be a house of wisdom for all who enter. May we continue to grow and stretch in ways we never thought possible. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Wisdom has mixed her wine. May the harvest seasons be plentiful this year. We pray for orchards, vineyards, farms, and all of creation. Protect and conserve the earth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Wisdom has employed her laborers. Be with all who seek adequate employment. Guide our economic and governmental leaders to support the people of our world with fair wages and safe working conditions. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Wisdom has invited her guests. Make your presence known to all who feel lost, abandoned, or hurting at this time. Direct your spirit of care to all who seek healing and comfort. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Wisdom has set her table. May this congregation be a welcome table to all who seek the refuge of God. Break down walls and barriers that prevent us from offering a seat at this table to anyone who comes. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Wisdom has shown her path of insight. May we journey on her paths, looking toward a bright future while remembering from where we have come. We give our thanks for those who have gone before us, especially Nancy Shaner and Mark Lechner. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A 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 is with you.
C And also with you.

Please be seated.

MEAL – “God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.”



THE OFFERING IS RECEIVED

An offering is received for the ministry of the church. Our offering at Luther Memorial supports our ministry locally, as well as that of the Northwestern Pennsylvania Synod and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. You may make your checks payable to Luther Memorial Church. Additionally, you may visit <https://bit.ly/LMCDonate> or scan the QR Code and scroll to the bottom of the page to give electronically.

HANDBELL VOLUNTARY – "Now the Heavens Start to Whisper" *Suo Gân*

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERTORY

Thank You, Lord

ACS 1092

A musical score for two voices and handbells. The top staff is for voice 1, the middle for voice 2, and the bottom for handbells. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: 1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, 2 Been so good, been so good, been so Lord, good, I just want to thank you, Lord. Lord. I just want to thank you, Lord. Lord.

1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you,
2 Been so good, been so good, been so
Lord, good, I just want to thank you, Lord.
I just want to thank you, Lord.

Text: Traditional
Music: THANK YOU, LORD, Traditional

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray:
C God of the Feast,
you turn our conflict into peace
and pour out your prosperous abundance upon us.
Take what we offer here,
gifts of our prosperity for your use,
and strengthen us for your mission in the world.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOG

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

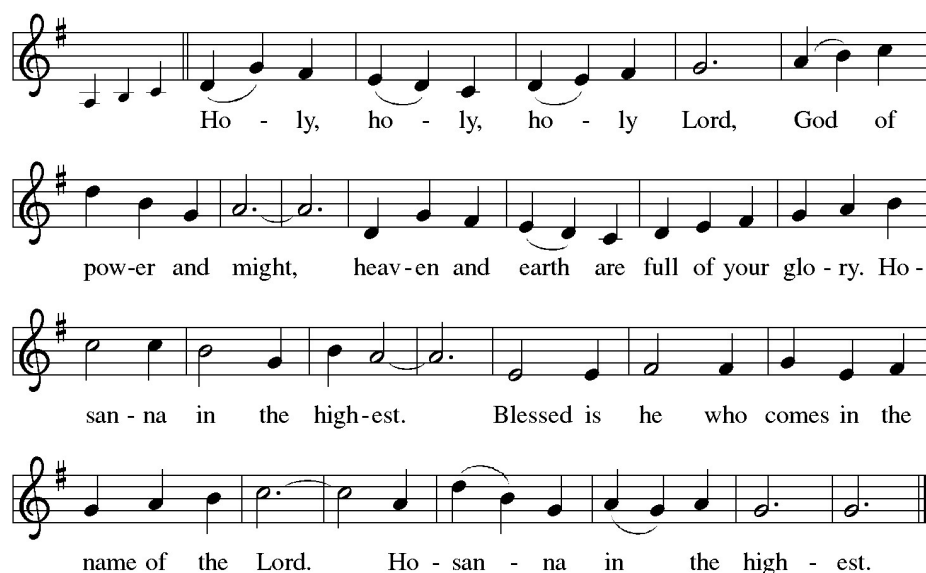
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

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 who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opens to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P God of all, mighty and merciful, the fullness of creation is your crowning glory. We thank you and praise you for you have satisfied the hunger of your people in every age: from the beginning you drew up food from the earth and humankind from the soil, filling our nostrils full of your Breath. You ate the fatted calf with Abraham and Sarah, and answered their deep longing for a child; you sustained your chosen people with manna as you led them toward the promised land; you sent prophets to answer the cry for bread and for justice; and in the fullness of time, you sent your own Son, Jesus Christ, the Bread of Heaven;

*Who, in the night in which he was handed over,
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.*

- ☐ Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory to share with us the great and promised feast.
- ☐ Pour out upon us + the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and stir in us a hunger for justice and thirst for compassion. Open wide your hand and satisfy our deep desire—feed us with the Bread that is you. All honor and glory to you, almighty God, now and forever.
- ☑ **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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

☑ **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,

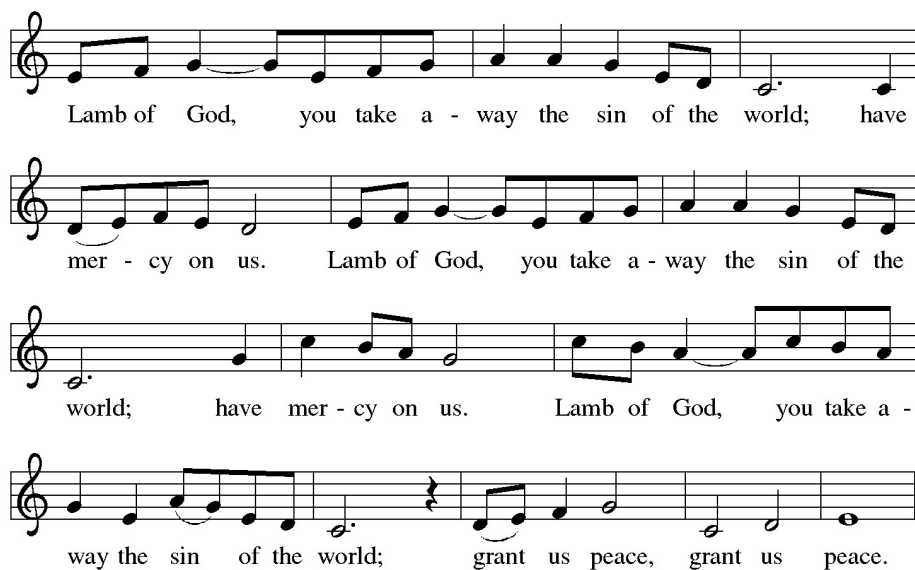
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEI



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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- ☐ Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!
- ☐ Those communing at home: take and eat, the body and blood of Christ given and shed for you.

The congregation is seated.

THE COMMUNION

*This is Christ's Table and all Christians are welcome to the feast!
We believe that this is the Body and Blood of Christ for you.*

Please come forward from both sides by the center aisle.

Take a small empty cup from the trays at the head of the center aisle.

White grape juice is in pre-filled cups for those who cannot have alcoholized wine.

*Baked bread is being used. For those who so desire, gluten-free wafers are available;
please let the pastor know.*

Receive the bread in your open palm, then hold your cup steady for the assisting minister to fill.

As you return by the side aisles, please place your empty cup in the tray.

*All are invited to the Meal. If you would like to participate but not to receive the bread and wine,
please cross your arms in front of you for a blessing from the pastor.*

HYMNS DURING THE COMMUNION

ELW 477

I Received the Living God

Refrain



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



Refrain

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

Text: Anonymous
Music: LIVING GOD, Anonymous

We Come to the Hungry Feast

1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,
 To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
 from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay
 not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943
 Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever
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TABLE BLESSING

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, keep you in all goodness and health, and bring you to everlasting life.

C Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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 – “God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS


Please stand as you are able.

BLESSING


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

C Amen.


When in Our Music God Is Glorified



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -
 2 How oft, in mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -
 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night when ut - most
 5 Let ev - 'ry in - stru - ment be tuned for praise; let all re -



ra - tion leaves no room for pride, it is as
 men - sion in the world of sound, as wor - ship
 love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, borne wit - ness
 e - vil strove a - gainst the light? Then let us
 joice who have a voice to raise; and may God



though the whole cre - a - tion cried:
 moved us to a more pro - found
 to the truth in ev - 'ry tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!
 sing, for whom he won the fight:
 give us faith to sing al - ways:

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

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

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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. You are the Body of Christ

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE – "Postlude (*Sortie*)"

Cesar Franck

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— SERVING TODAY —

PRESIDING MINISTER – Pastor Karen Lundwall

ACOLYTE – Jessica Copfer

ASSISTING MINISTER – Chloe Meucci

COMMUNION ASSISTANT – Vance Meucci

LECTOR – Karen Braendel

ALTAR GUILD – Jessica Copfer, Mary Daniels

USHERS – Diane & Bob Banks, Linda Graffius

VIDEO STREAMING – Beth Keller



Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Nancy E. Shaner by her daughter, Sally McAfee.

Front altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mark Lechner by Patricia Boyd.

Many youth will be off to college soon. Please contact Norma in the church office and share their mailing and/or email address with us so we can keep in touch. Thank you.

Today's Events

Greeting cards can be found in the information rack located near the parlor area. A large variety of cards that will fit every occasion are available. Youth are offering these cards for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Proceeds will benefit our youth.

Where Is Pastor Jay?

Pastor Jay is on vacation until August 26. In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the church office. Pastor Gail Zackrisson will be our guest preacher and presider on Sunday, August 25.

Worship Matters

Our Hymn of the Day is by Susan R Briehl and based on two texts, one from Wisdom 16:10-21, 26, which, recalling the gift of manna in the wilderness, proclaims that God's word, not the work of human hands, nourishes the faithful, and the other from a sermon on the sacrament of communion by St. Augustine, who says, "The mystery that you are lies there on the table; it is your own mystery that you receive...Be what you see, and receive what you are." The hymn was prepared as a post-communion sending hymn for a conference the third week of August in 2000 at Camrose Lutheran College in Camrose, Alberta, Canada, at which Briehl was the presider and preacher. It was first published as part of the communion setting *Beneath the Tree of Life*.

Worship

Blessing of the Backpacks for our school bound students and teachers will be offered during worship services on Sunday, September 1. We would like to send you off with lots of prayer and many blessings. Bring your backpack and get a tag. The tag will remind you that God is with you throughout the day and school year.

Our prelude begins at 10:25 each week and flows into the 10:30am worship time. We hope that this will draw us together and into our time of worship. Please remember to be mindful of those around you and those worshipping at home by keeping conversations and visiting to the lobbies once the prelude has begun. Thank you.

A reminder that our livestream runs from the beginning of the prelude through the end of the postlude. To maintain a worshipful space for those joining from home, please remember to leave the chancel area (the area around the altar) clear until after the postlude.

Adult Faith Formation

The 2024-2025 Schedule of Adult Faith Formation options is available on the Welcome Table outside of both the chapel and sanctuary. Inside you will find the schedule of topics for: Adult Forum, Bible Study, Bible after Dark, and Book Group. Check it out! Any questions, contact Pastor Jay.

Christian Education

Sunday School for Pre-K-Grade 5 will gather the second Sunday of each month beginning September 8.

Confirmation orientation for youth in grades 6-12 and their families will be held Sunday, September 8 from 11:30am-12:30pm in the library. A light breakfast will be provided. Classes for 10th grade youth will begin September 15 and continue each Sunday through October 20.

Second Sunday Salons Adult Forum will gather the second Sunday of each month to discuss various topics beginning October 13 from 9:15-10:30am in the parlor.

Brown Bag Bible will gather each Wednesday in the parlor beginning September 11 at 12:00 noon for Bible Study and discussion. You are invited to bring lunch for yourself. Our first topic: *How Did THAT Get in My Bible?!*

B.A.D. (Bible After Dark) gathers at the Brewerie the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm. Join together with Lutherans from around Erie as we discuss the book **Context** by Josh Scott. Copies of the book may be purchased from the church office for \$12. Feel free to purchase an adult beverage as we chat.

Book Group, Paging Through with Pastor Jay, will meet the second Monday of odd months at 6:00pm in the parlor. Our first gathering will be Monday, September 9 beginning with the book, *The Other Side of the Wall*.

Opportunities for Fellowship

Come and join us for an escape from reality. Your cares will be left behind after a morning of laughter and conversation with the Magic Fingers Grace Group. Join us August 27 for knitting and crocheting. We gather the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 10:00am– 12:00 noon. Please contact Norma, in the church office, or Jan MacInnes if you are in need of more yarn or have any questions.

Have fun with the OWLS at **Game Day** on Wednesday, September 18 in our parlor from 11:00am-1:30pm. Visit, laugh and enjoy the time playing some favorite games. Please RSVP to Jan MacInnes or the church office by Monday, September 9.

Great Deals

Indoor Yard Sale will be held Saturday, September 14 from 8:00am – 12:00pm in our fellowship hall. Items for the sale may be dropped off through Friday, September 13. Books, TV's or large electronic items and soft furniture will not be accepted. Pop in and catch the great deals! Proceeds will benefit Christian Education and LYO.

Luther Memorial Academy

Mark your calendars for our first annual **Block Party!** We will gather on Saturday, September 7 on the greenspace to celebrate all LMA has to offer! Activities and games for all ages. Raffle and food and drink available! Come on out and support this gem of a school in the Gem City!

Community Support

Ponchos are being collected for distribution to the homeless on Friday, August 23. Donations of ponchos or monetary assistance may be given to Sarah Prylinski, Clinical Program Manager with Hamot Health Foundation. Donations may also be left in the church office.

Items to Note

In case of a pastoral emergency while Pastor Jay is on vacation through August 25 please contact our church office at 454-0106, ext. 221 during weekday business hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm to speak with Norma or her cell at 814-450-7162. Thank you.

– PRAYER LIST –

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:			
Our Members:			
Lois Fobes	Dave Parsh	Marilyn Rositer	Cathy Beck & Jim
Diane & Bob Giannelli	Winnie Lyons	Ron King	Virginia Long
Matt, Jessica Kinzig & family			
Friends and Family:			
Kate Collins & family	Lily	Marlo	Amy Roschy
Jessica Bulos Grubb	Sherry Johnson	Heather Keaster	Curtis Krick
Nikki & Ayden Moyer & family	Stephanie Voland	Barbara Beatty	Jonah Allgeier
Jean Coburn	Tony B.	Betty M.	Betty Peters
Connie Haibach & family	Katja Mestrom	Bernadette Mulder	Steve Sensor
Jamal Lemmons	Jim Roberts	Cherly Runstedler	Jerry
Andy Zimmerman	Norma Lynch	Susan Brooks	Lynn Swanson
Kevin D.	Jenn Eddy	Jim Berger	
Our Military Service Men & Women:			
Lt. Col. Matt Anderson	Michael Stickner	Andrew Watson	Alli Brown
Ben Dixon	Mark Collins		

CALENDAR

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20	3:00pm	School Board
	6:00pm	Council/Staff Picnic

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21 8:00am Teacher Meeting

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 5:30pm LMA Parent Orientation

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024
THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Worship services at 8:15 in Faith Chapel and 10:30am in the main church.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024		
ASSISTING IN WORSHIP		
Assisting Minister	8:15am	Mark Howell
	10:30am	Julie Ditz
Communion Assistant	10:30am	
Lector	10:30am	
Altar Guild	8:15am	Donna Sedelmyer
	10:30am	Sharon Burke
Greeter	8:15am	Vicky Blasco
	10:30am	<i>(1 needed)</i>
Video Streaming	10:30am	John Bartlett
Counters	10:30am	Jean McMillin, Liz Stroup
Ushers <i>(4 needed)</i>	10:30am	

Readings and Commemorations This Week

August 19 – Psalm 36; Genesis 43:1-15; Acts 6:1-7

August 20 – Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, 1153 – Sirach 39:1-10; Psalm 139:1-9; John 15:7-11 -- *Bernard, a Cistercian monk, was a man of great spirituality who wrote mystical works and criticized those whom he thought took an overly intellectual approach to the faith. He became an abbot, and wrote several hymns that are still beloved today.*

August 21 – Psalm 36; Genesis 45:1-15; Acts 7:9-16

August 22 – Psalm 34:15-22; Joshua 22:1-9; I Thessalonians 5:1-11

August 23 – Psalm 34:15-22; Joshua 22:10-20; Romans 13:11-14

August 24 – BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE – Exodus 19:1-6; Psalm 12; I Corinthians 12:27-31a; John 1:43-51 -- *Mentioned as one of Jesus' disciples in Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Bartholomew's name is replaced in John's gospel by Nathanael, leading many to believe that the two are different names for the same person. Little is known about his work, though some traditions place him later in India or Armenia.*