4th Sunday after Pentecost

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We Enter God's Sanctuary

Opening Prayer

P: God of Grace and Lord of Love, we come into your presence today to worship You, to receive Your grace and forgiveness, to hear your holy word, and to be filled with your Spirit. O Lord, fill us with true joy in the Lord, that we may truly see your goodness and love and rejoice in you day by day. With hearts filled with joy, may we live to serve you and praise your holy name. In our Saviour's name! Amen.

Invocation:

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



Opening Hymn: 14 All People that on Earth do Dwell

1. All people that on earth do dwell,

Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice, Him serve with fear, His praise forthtell; Come ye before Him and rejoice.

 The Lord, ye know, is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.

- 3. Oh, enter, then, His gates with praise,Approach with joy His courts unto;Praise, laud, and bless His name always.For it is seemly so to do.
- 4. For why? The Lord, our God, is good; His mercy is forever sure. His truth at all times firmly stood And shall from age to age endure.
- 5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,To God whom heaven and earth adore,From men and from the angel hostBe praise and glory evermore.

Our Confession of Sins:

P: Thus says the Lord: "The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick; who can understand it? I, the Lord, search the heart, I test the mind, even to give to each man according to his ways, according to the results of his deeds." (Jer. 17:9-10)

C: "Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? And who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up His soul to falsehood, and has not sworn deceitfully." (Ps. 24:3,4)

P: O Father, we enter Your holy place to worship You. However, we are sinners. How then will You accept our worship and bless us on our way? It is only by Your grace in Christ Jesus. Therefore we pray, Cleanse us from our sins for Jesus' sake, so that with pure hearts and clean lips we can sing Your praises.

ALL: O Lord, You have searched me and known me. Even before there is a word on my tongue, behold, O Lord, You know it all. You have seen the evil that I have done and the good that I left undone. Clinging to the cross of Jesus Christ, I appeal to You for mercy. Cleanse me in Jesus' blood. Purify my mind from every evil thought, my lips from every evil word, my hands from every evil deed. Renew my heart by the working of Your Holy Spirit so that I may present my body as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to You, which is my spiritual service of worship.

P: Be of good cheer, children of God, for our Father is forever merciful! The blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanses us from all our sins, for Christ loves us and gave Himself up for us, that He might sanctify and cleanse us. We are now holy and blameless before God and our worship is pleasing to Him.

Response of Praise: Hymn 244 Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory, To the Lamb that once was slain!

God Speaks to Us

Scripture Readings: Zechariah 9:9-12

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. 10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. 11 As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. 12 Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Romans 7:14-25a

14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. 15 For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. 17 So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 21 So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand.

22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, 23 but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Response of Praise:

- P: Make a joyful noise unto God, all you lands:
- **C:** Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious.
- P: Say unto God, How awesome are Your works:
- C: Through the greatness of Your power shall Your enemies submit themselves unto You.
- P: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- C: The Lord has sent redemption unto His people. Hallelujah!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

25 At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; 26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

P: Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.



Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen. Hymn: In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh Fulness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones he came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave he rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath. Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

Summer Sermon Series: The Power of the Spirit in Your Life!

Today's text: Acts 13:52

"And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit."

The Spírít Fills You with JOY!

Hymn: 761 In You Is Gladness 1 In You is gladness Amid all sadness, Jesus, Sunshine of my heart. By You are given The gifts of heaven; You the true Redeemer are. Our souls are waking; Our bonds are breaking. Who trusts You surely Has built securely And stands forever. Alleluia! Our hearts are pining To see Your shining, Dying or living To You are cleaving Now and forever, Alleluia!

2 If He is ours, We fear no powers, Not of earth nor sin or death. He sees and blesses In worst distresses; He can change them with a breath. Wherefore the story Tell of His glory With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices In Him forever. Alleluia! We shout for gladness, Win over sadness, Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him Glad hymns forever. Alleluia!

Offerings for Christ's Church:

Sing - while offering is brought forward Hymn 441 st. 1-2 We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

Prayers of the Church:

P: The Peace of God which surpasses all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.





God Gives Himself to Us in the Lord's Supper

P: The Lord be with you.

- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. We especially praise You that You sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh and have revealed Him to the world as our only Saviour from sin. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the saints on earth, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Sanctus





The Lord's Prayer: 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.

Words of Institution:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Distribution:

P: Take and eat. This is the true body of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take and drink. This is the true blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, shed for you for the forgiveness of your sins.



P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

THANKSGIVING



Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



Closing Hymn: 313 O Lord, We Praise Thee

 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee. Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flouish: O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!

- 2. Thy holy body into death was given, Life to win for us in heaven. No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy! Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee That Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy.
- 3. May God bestow on us His grace and favor To please Him with our behavior And live as brethren here in love and union Nor repent this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy! Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us; Grant that heavenly-minded He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!

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Scripture Treasure to Remember: Nehemiah 8:10

""Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

Reception for Jesse and Mackenna after the service. We pray for the Lord's blessings upon them as they begin their life together as husband and wife. May He teach them to live together in true love and happiness.

This Week:

Your Pastor will be gone mountain climbing with Micah in the first part of the week. Then he and Julie will be in Seattle for Mackenna and Jesse's wedding on Saturday.

Next Sunday- Video Service at 10:00

Praying for our Family

We pray for God's mercy for Karlheinz who is dealing with a lot of back and hip pain. May tomorrow's X-ray reveal the source of the pain and may God grant some relief.

We also pray for Erma Kruger who has been in the hospital again for the fluid build up in her legs. Lord may you guide and direct the doctors to know how best to treat her symptoms.

We pray for Pastor Redlin, Julie's father, who appears to be in the last stages of his life. May God grant Him a peaceful departure from this life of trials and receive him into the eternal joys of heaven.

July Birthdays and Baptisms 5th

Kylie Higgins

CLC Call News

Rebecca Buck of Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, WI, has returned the call to Luther Memorial School in Fond du Lac, WI. **Kathleen Naumann** of Immanuel Lutheran School in Winter Haven, FL, has received the call to Luther Memorial School in Fond du Lac. **St. John's Lutheran Church** in Okabena, MN, has extended two part-time, one-year calls to two St. John's members: Lori Ruthenbeck and Mary Albrecht. **Pastor Aaron Ude** of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Rapid City, SD, has returned the call to St. Stephen congregation in Mt. View, CA. **Pastor Tom Naumann** of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Madison Heights, MI, has received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, WI.

Erin Franson has received the call to serve as the female Mentor at Immanuel Lutheran High School and College.

Mikkela Schmitt will be installed as teacher at Trinity Lutheran School in Watertown, SD on Sunday, July 27.

Mission Helpers in Nepal

Eight CLC Mission Helpers are currently in Nepal proclaiming the simple Gospel message to hundreds of children in Himalayan villages where Himalayan Church of the Lutheran Confession congregations and preaching stations are located. Many of these villages are only accessible by a long, difficult hike. You can read about their journeys and the children they reach and see pictures on the trip blog at: www.2025clcmhtnepal.blogspot.com.

Pastor Hein Update

Pastor Hein has been undergoing a new round of Chemo Therapy which leaves him in pain and exhausted for several days. He has received a steroid which has helped relieve the pain and give him more energy again. Also his creatinine levels have been rising again, so they are monitoring that carefully. We pray that the Lord will be with him and give him strength and joy in the Lord.

Youth Backpacking Anyone?

There was interest in a Youth Backpacking trip this summer. We are proposing July 20-23 as a possibility. If you are interested, let's talk about it after the service.