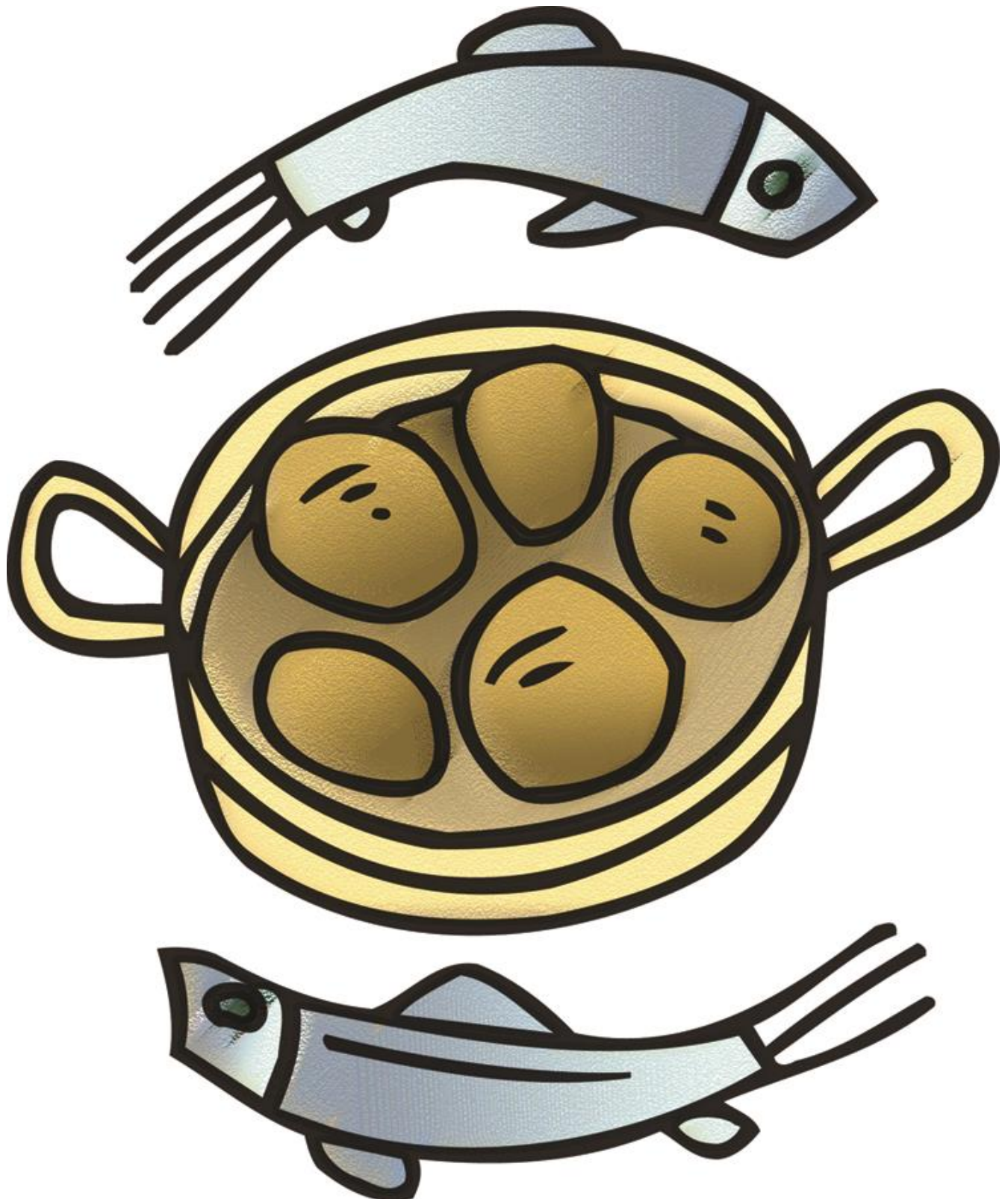


SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2020
9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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INTRODUCTION

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

PRELUDE

+ Gathering +

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

GATHERING HYMN

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



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.
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Child, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

+ Word +

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

A reading from Isaiah.

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts,

come to the waters;

and you that have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,

and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,

and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;

listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples,

a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know,

and nations that do not know you shall run to you,

because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,

for he has glorified you.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Dearest Jesus, at your word, we have come again to hear you.

Let our thoughts and hearts be stirred, and in growing faith be near you.

As the promises here given, draw us ever t'ward your heaven.

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard about the beheading of John the Baptist, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON & DISCUSSION

Pastor Allison Bengfort

HYMN OF THE DAY

We, Who Live By Sound and Symbol

1. We, who live by sound and symbol, we, who learn from sight and word,
Find these married in the person of the one we call our Lord.
Taking bread to be his body, taking wine to be his blood,
He let thought take flesh in action, He let faith take root in food.
2. Not just once with special people, not just hidden deep in time,
But, wherever Christ is followed, earthly fare becomes sublime.
Though to sound this seems a mystery, though to sense it seems absurd,
Yet in faith, which seems like folly, we meet Jesus Christ our Lord.
3. God, our Maker, send your Spirit to pervade the bread we break.
Let it bring the life we long for and the love which we forsake.
Bind us closer to each other, both forgiving and forgiv'n;
Give us grace in this and all things to discern the hand of heaven.

Text by John L. Bell and Graham Maule.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response:

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

or

Lord, we praise you,
Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

+ **Meal** +

OFFERTORY MUSIC

The offertory time is an opportunity to receive the gift of music and to reflect on how we might practice gratitude and generosity toward one another. With gratitude, we find solace during this time by seeing goodness in the face of despair, hope in the midst of anxiety, and joy in the midst of fear. One aspect of practicing gratitude and generosity is stewarding the financial resources in our care. If you would like to make a gift to the ministry of the church, you may visit stjohnswilmette.org/give to donate online. You may also write a check made out to St. John's Lutheran Church and mail it to 1235 Wilmette Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. St. John's is deeply grateful for the generosity of our members and supporters, which allows us to be generous to others through our ministry.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father/Mother/Parent in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

Amen.

+ Sending +

CHARGE

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

BLESSING

In the name of Creator, † the Christ, and the Holy Spirit,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR

IN OUR PRAYERS

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| † Cam Wise, for physical and emotional health. | † Lani Miller |
| † Ken Kastman, healing from broken ribs after a fall. | † Doug Peters, managing cancer and recovering from surgery |
| † Janet Rassenfoss and Alan Swanson, on the birth of their first grandchild, Molly Francis Wilka, on 7/6/20. | † The family and friends of Jean Olan, cousin of Bill Kaspar, who died 6/11/20 |
| † The family and friends of Bob Anderson who died 6/8/20 | † Linda Bengfort, mother of Pastor Allison, ongoing back pain. |
| † The family and friends of Matt Dossa, nephew of Jim Dossa, who died 6/7/20 | † Greyson Nester |
| † Pastor Mike Flowered and family as they mourn the death of Mike's mother, who died on June 12 | † Margaret (Maggie) Oxland |
| † Chad Johnson, recovering from a bike accident on 5/30/20 | † Marty Anderson |
| † The family and friends of Helene Tadros, Olga Domchenko's sister, who died 4/6/20, and especially for William Sciarrino, Helene's caretaker | † Linda Basnik, wife of Chad Johnson, in need of healing |
| † Natalie Domchenko & Hilaire Sainson, sister of Olga Domchenko and sister's husband, in need of healing | † Ellie Basnik, mother-in-law of Chad Johnson, cancer diagnosis |
| † Sylvia Cushing, cousin of Olga Domchenko, in need of healing | † Ross Johnson, brother of Chad Johnson |
| † Doris Regan, mother of Jan Wendel & Sharon Regan, recovering from cancer surgery | † The family of Paul Escamilla, friend of Elias & Stephanie Abudayeh |
| † Janet Witt, cancer diagnosis | † Sydney Johnson, her work |
| † Michael Rager, brother of Christi Wise, in need of healing | † Mark Voosen |
| † Virginia Milnikel, broken arm | † Margaux Tauszig, granddaughter of Wolf Peddinghaus |
| † Bob Oakes, recovering from hospitalization | † Ed Price, friend of Sarah Rink |
| | † Jodi Kretzman, friend of Peter Knobel |
| | † Jessica Sandoval, friend of the Radde family |
| | † Fred Rudolphi, friend of Bill Kaspar, in need of healing |
| | † Steve Aschbacher, friend of Bill Kaspar, in need of healing |
| | † the officers of the Rogers Park police district |

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SERVING TODAY

<i>Preaching & Presiding Minister:</i>	The Rev. Allison Bengfort
<i>Music Director & Pianist</i>	Dr. Robert McConnell
<i>Cantor:</i>	Hannah McConnell
<i>Minister of the Word:</i>	Bill Kaspar
<i>Virtual Usher:</i>	Luke Rasmussen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IL Poor People's Campaign Meeting

The next state-wide meeting of the IL Poor People's Campaign will be Wednesday, August 5th at 8:00-9:00 pm. If you participated in the June 20th event (or even if you didn't!) and would like to learn more or get connected with the campaign, please join us! [Register here](#) to receive the link to the Zoom meeting.

Beach Cleanup

Go Green Wilmette is sponsoring another beach cleanup at Gillson Beach on Saturday, August 8th at 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Look for their table at the south end of the park to check in. Bring a mask, reusable gloves (not single-use plastic gloves), and a bucket or container to collect micro-plastic pieces that wash up during every storm. Don't forget to take pictures and send them to churchoffice@stjohnswilmette.com!

Poor People's Campaign Local Cluster Meeting

This call will be an opportunity for people to get oriented to the Poor People's Campaign and meet others in our local area who care about ending injustice across the country. This meeting of the North Cook/Lake County Cluster will be Monday, August 10th at 7-8:15 pm. Watch next week's e-Newsletter for the Zoom link.

A **Coloring Sheet** (for adults and children) and a **Children's Bulletin** have been emailed to you. Feel free to color during the service or throughout the week. Please take a picture of your work and email it to churchoffice@stjohnswilmette.com to be included in next week's "Art Gallery."

Anti-Racism Resources

Mylene Pollock's company, SmallGood, has created a list of anti-racism resources including books, podcasts, films, articles, and groups to follow on social media. "From light content to more thorough, there something for everyone, including kids," Mylene says. Check it out [here](#).

Face Mask Challenge

Join the 75,000 Face Mask Challenge! COVID-19 is threatening vulnerable communities, and Lutheran World Relief urgently needs cloth face masks to send to them. The cloth mask you sew in your living room will provide love and protection to a neighbor in need halfway around the world. How many will you make to help stop the spread? Click [here](#) for more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

9:30 AM

Online Worship with Children's Message

TUESDAY

7:00-8:30 PM

Executive Committee Meeting

THURSDAY

12:00-1:00 PM

Men's Group Online

SATURDAY

5:00 PM

Candlelight Service Online

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

9:30 AM

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