



# 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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*Welcome!* Words in **bold** are said together.

## *Confession and Forgiveness*

*Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Congregation: Amen.***

*L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. (silence for reflection)*

*L: 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.***

*L: 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.***

## *Gathering Hymn [intro] – Praise and Thanksgiving #689*

1. Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.
2. God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.
3. Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us all others may know your care.
4. Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people, freely confessing your gracious hand. Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

## *Prayer of the Day*

**Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## *Scripture Readings*

Proverbs 9:1-6

p. 516

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, <sup>4</sup>"You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, <sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live and walk in the way of insight."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:9-14 p. 441

<sup>9</sup>O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

<sup>10</sup>The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

<sup>11</sup>Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

<sup>12</sup>Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?

<sup>13</sup>Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.

<sup>14</sup>Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

Ephesians 5:15-20 p. 952

<sup>15</sup> Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the most of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

The holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*\*Please stand for the Gospel reading*

John 6:51-58 p. 868

<sup>51</sup>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." <sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So 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. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Children's Message*

*Sermon*

David Ingram

*Hymn of the Day – I am the Bread of Life #485*

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger, and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

*Refrain:* And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever. *Refrain.*
3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you. *Refrain.*
4. I am the resurrection, I am the life.  
If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever. *Refrain.*

5. Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God, who have come into the world. *Refrain.*

### *Apostle's Creed*

**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.**

### *Prayers of God's People*

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: **hear our prayer.**

*Sharing the Peace – L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.*

### *Offering*

#### *Offering Hymn – Come, Let Us Eat #491*

1. Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread, come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord's body let us take together, our Lord's body let us take together.
2. Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured, come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. Jesus, blood poured let us drink together, Jesus, blood poured let us drink together.
3. In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest, in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. In the presence of our Lord we gather, in the presence of our Lord we gather.
4. Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word, rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word. Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom, Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

### *Offering Prayer*

**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. Amen.**

*Great Thanksgiving ELW p. 152*

*Holy, Holy, Holy ELW p. 108*

### *Christ's Words of Institution and Communion*

*L: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!*

### *Post Communion Prayer*

*L: 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.*

## *The Lord's Prayer*

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,

**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.**

### *Announcements*

- We hope to bring back the choir/band – talk to Margi Ungrodt (no experience needed)
- Are you called to serve? Church council still needs a VP
- Bible Study is Mondays at 10am- all are welcome 😊
- Coming up: Rally Sunday; 9-8 Back to School/Farewell Snowbirds Party & God's Work Our Hands Sunday

### *Closing Hymn – Oh, Sing to the Lord #822*

1. Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song. Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song.  
Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song. Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
2. For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders.  
For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders. Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
3. So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets. So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets.  
So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets. Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
4. Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit. Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit.  
Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit. Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.
5. For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia!  
For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God!

### *Blessing*

*L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. C: Amen.*

### *Dismissal*

*L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. C: Thanks be to God!*

### ***Special Thanks to...***

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8-18 Becky Peterson  
8-23 Bob Thoma