

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 8, 2021

THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION

PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

Pastor: Most food we make, purchase, and use has a shelf life. Some longer, some shorter, but at some point, we know goods expire. This is especially true with bread. When not used in a timely manner, bread dries out, hardens, and even molds. How different is the bread Jesus teaches of, the bread that is Himself. Continuing in John 6, He teaches the people what He came to provide, which is Himself from heaven. In our worship, in our reception of His Means of Grace, in our prayers and praise, and in our daily lives, let us rejoice in the Bread that lasts for our needs of faith and forgiveness that we, too, may continually ***“taste and see that the LORD is good!”*** (Psalm 34:8).

PREPARATION

(Please stand)

OPENING HYMN

“Lord Jesus, Think on Me” *LSB 610*

Lord Jesus, think on me

And purge away my sin

From worldly passions set me free

And make me pure within

**Lord Jesus, think on me
By anxious thoughts oppressed
Let me Your loving servant be
And taste Your promised rest**

**Lord Jesus, think on me
Amid the battle's strife
In all my pain and misery
O be my health and life**

**Lord Jesus, think on me
Nor let me go astray
Though darkness and perplexity
Point out your chosen way**

**Lord Jesus, think of me
That, when this life is past
I may the eternal brightness see
And share Your joy at last**

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please be seated or kneel for the confession)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 34:1-8*

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall
continually be in my mouth.

**People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the
humble hear and be glad.**

Pastor: We confess to You, Lord.

People: Our mouths have not always praised You through our words, and we have boasted in things other than You. Help us humbly hear and be glad, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together!

People: I sought the LORD, and He answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Pastor: We confess to You, Lord.

People: We have sought after other things than You and have let our fears impede our faith. Give us hearts centered on You, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

Pastor: Those who look to Him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

People: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.

Pastor: We confess to You, Lord.

People: Our thoughts, words, and actions have not been faithful, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Hear us and save us from our troubles, that we may taste and see that the Lord is good.

Pastor: The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

People: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**

(Please Stand)

✠ WORD ✠

INTROIT *Psalm 34:8–10; antiphon: Psalm 145:16*

Pastor: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him. Fear the Lord, you His saints, for those who fear Him lack nothing, The lions may grow weak and hungry. But those who see the Lord lack no good thing.

People: (spoken) **You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.**

GLORIA PATRI (sing)

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.**

KYRIE (sing)

**All: Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Gloria in Excelsis” *LSB 154*

Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

People (Sing):

**Lord God, heavenly king almighty God and Father:
We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for
your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,
Lamb of God:**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive
our prayer.**

**For You alone are the Holy One. You alone are the
Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (sing) **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (sing) **Amen**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT READING *1 Kings 19:1-8 ESV*

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.” And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *Ephesians 4:17- 5:2 ESV*

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their

minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ! assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave

himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH (sing)

People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

People: (sing) **Glory to You, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 6:35-51 ESV*

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered

them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CREED Catechism - The Fourth Petition

Pastor: We are reminded today that the Lord provides all things for His people. Our heavenly Father gives us all we need for this body and life. Luther’s Small Catechism explains what it means when we pray in the Lord’s Prayer, “Give us this day our daily bread.”

What does this mean?

People: (spoken) **God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.**

Pastor: What is meant by daily bread?

People: (spoken) **Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.**

Pastor: Realizing all we have comes from and is a gift from God, we come before Him in prayer of thanksgiving for the gifts of this earthly life and the promises assured of forgiveness and eternal life through His Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

(Please be seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Renew Me, O Eternal Light” LSB 704

**Renew me, O eternal Light,
And let my heart and soul be bright,
Illumined with the light of grace
That issues from your holy face.**

**Remove the pow’r of sin from me
And cleanse all my impurity
That I may have the strength and will
Temptations of the flesh to still**

**Create in me a new heart, Lord,
That gladly I obey your Word.
Let what your will be my desire
And with new life my soul inspire.**

**Grant that I only you may love
And seek those things which are above
Till I behold you face to face,
O Light eternal, through your grace.**

+ SERMON+

“Baked Shared, and Served... Himself”

Text: John 6:35-51 (The Gospel Reading)

Our Theme: When Jesus gives us the bread of life, he gives us himself.

Our Goal: that everyone present are strengthened in faith I Jesus as the one who is himself the very blessing of eternal life.

Sermon Outline:

When Jesus gives us the bread of life, he gives us himself.

- i. The life Jesus’ bread gives is so much better than just more life.
- ii. The life Jesus as the bread of life gives is life in Jesus himself, closeness to and intimacy with God.

(Please Stand)

OFFERTORY *LSB pages 192-193*

(Sing) **Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

(Please be seated or kneel for the prayer)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for all the people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We thank You, Lord, for our daily bread, for all we need in this body and life. Grant us hearts so moved to give as You have first given to us for the needs of others and in support of the work of Your kingdom. Through Your Means of Grace, keep us always fed with the grace and mercy of Your Son, the Living Bread from heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: As Your servant Elijah fled out of fear and was fed and nourished by You, come to us in our times of fear and anxiety that we be fed with what lasts and sustains in our times of need. Be especially with those we name before You now, *including . . .* Grant peace and healing, hope and health, according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: As Jesus continued to teach the people of His day to know and see Him as He is, grant that we continually learn of Your love through Him as our Savior. Guide children, parents, families, and individuals to rejoice in Your Word here and in homes, that all be fed with Your life-giving grace through the work of Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: As we gather together in the fellowship of the Sacrament You have set before us, grant that we faithfully receive and partake in the Living Bread that has come down from heaven with the assurance of sins forgiven, faith nourished, and Your presence affirmed. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

(Please stand)

✠ SACRAMENT

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People: (spoken) **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

People: (spoken) **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Psalm 136*

People: (spoken) **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is Your Word Incarnate and who on this day spoke Your powerful word of victory over death and the grave by His glorious resurrection, opening to us the

way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

(Please stand)

SANCTUS (Sing) LSB 195

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory**

Hosanna

Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is He

Blessed is He

Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord

Hosanna,

Hosanna

Hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord, for You feed and sustain all You have made, and give all we need for this body and life. Above all, we thank and praise You for the gift given and love revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior. By His death and resurrection, You have redeemed us and sustained us by the Living Bread from above. To You alone be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

People: (spoken) **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9–13*)

**All: 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.**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI (*Sung*) LSB 198

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of
the world have mercy upon us
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, have mercy upon us
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of
the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“Your Table I Approach” *LSB* 628

**Your table I approach
Dear Savior hear my prayer
Let not an unrepentant heart
Prove hurtful to me there**

**Lord I confess my sins
And mourn their wretched bands
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at your hands**

**Your body and Your blood
Once slain and shed for me
Are taken at Your table Lord
In blest reality**

**Search not how this takes place
This wondrous mystery
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be**

**O grant most blessed Lord
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind**

**Oh may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood
O God my peace and light**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

(Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle)

THE BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant
depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast prepared before the face
of all people, a light to lighten the
Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world with-out end. Amen**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Psalm 136:1, Psalm 34:8, adapted

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good.

People: (spoken) **His mercy endures forever.**

Pastor: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

People: (spoken) **Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him.**

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament by Your grace given in this food and drink, the bread of life

from heaven to feed us forgiveness and eternal life. Give us this and every day our daily bread, and deliver us from evil. Equip us with the gifts of the Spirit that we live our lives in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: God the Father, provider of daily bread; God the Son, Living Bread from heaven; God the Holy Spirit, through whom we are gathered and by whom our faith is fed and nourished, bless you and keep You. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

HYMN

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing” *LSB 922 vs 1-3*

**Go My children with My blessing
Never alone
Waking sleeping I am with you
You are My own
In My love's baptismal river
I have made you
Mine forever
Go My children with My blessing
You are My own**

Go My children sins forgiven
At peace and pure
Here you learned how much I love you
What I can cure
Here you heard My dear Son's story
Here you touched Him saw His glory
Go My children sins forgiven
At peace and pure

Go My children fed and nourished
Closer to Me
Grow in love and love by serving
Joyful and free
Here My Spirit's power filled you
Here His tender comfort stilled you
Go My children fed and nourished
Joyful and free

THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor
Marie Brown, Organist
Dave Hamilton, Elder & Reader
Jim Bumgarner & Frank Pignanelli, Ushers

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS DAY 2!

August 21st from 10 AM to 2PM
Church Picnic at 1pm.

**Please bring a dish to pass.
Meat & Dessert will be provided.**

Floors Waxing

August 11th

We cannot walk on them until Sunday August 15th

The office will be closed Aug. 11th – 13th

Everyone, Please

Fill out a yellow attendance card & place it in the offering plate at the back of the church.

Quilting for August

Saturday the 7th & Thursday the 19th

Attendance

Sunday August 1st 9:30 am 38

Prayer List

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

Anniversary

Frank & Laurie Pignanelli – August 12th

Birthdays

Louis Bigliardi – August 9th

Nicolas Corona – August 11th

Christine Thompson – August 12th

Lenore Davenport – August 14th

For the Shut-Ins

Ken Knick, at home

Dorothy MacTavish, at home

George Morton, at home

For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

The Reeck, Corona & Yowler Family, Gladys Hill called to eternal home.

Dave Brown, back pain issues

Bill Morrison, recovering from surgery

Karen Morrison, vertigo, allergic reaction to medicine

Barbara Parise, Frank's Sister, Cancer is back and undergoing more treatment

Shirley Griffin, upcoming surgery, treatment & recovery