

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 18, 2021**  
**GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER**

**Prelude/Welcome/Announcements**

**Call to worship:**

P: We worship as we live in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: You are the treasured people of the Lord, **C: a people holy to the Lord our God.** P: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

P: One does not live by bread alone, **C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

**Opening Hymn: No. 654 “The Church’s One Foundation” vs. 1,2,4,5**

**Confession of Sin:**

P: God of all mercy and consolation come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may be attentive to your Word, that we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. P:  
Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in the newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **C: Amen.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**HEARING GOD’S WORD**

**First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So, I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

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### **Psalm 23**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

**C: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

**C: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

**C: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So, he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So, then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Here ends the second lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel.

The Holy Gospel is taken from **Mark 6:30-34, 53-56.**

**C: Glory to you O Lord.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day No. 676 "Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak"**

**Apostles' Creed**

**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**

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.

\* Or "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

### **Prayer of the Church**

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

### **Mission Moment**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

P: Let us pray.

**C: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

#### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING/WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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 our thanks and praise.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat, and be satisfied.

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS**

**COMMUNION HYMNS: No. 479 "We Come to the Hungry Feast"; 474 "Bread of Life from Heaven"**

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C: Amen.**

### **GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH**

#### **Benediction**

**Sending Hymn No. 789 "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" vs. 1, 2, 4**

#### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Welcome!** Great to have you here! Thank you for choosing to worship with us here today. We practice open Communion at First Lutheran. If you believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine, his body and blood shed for you, you are welcome to our table. Apple juice is available upon request.

**The Worship Radio Broadcast** today is sponsored in honor of Morgan Taubert's 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday by her family.

✠ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Val Carmondy, Janice Harkema, John Dubbelde as they deal with health issues.

#### **Noisy Offering for "Lutheran Disaster Relief"**

The total amount collected for Lutheran Disaster Relief to this date is \$27.30. Thank you for your support for Lutheran Disaster Relief.

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**Today** 9:30am Worship/ Holy Communion at Church and live streamed;  
5:00pm "Picnic at the Parsonage"

**Thursday** 9:30am Quilting

**Sunday** 9:30am Worship at Church and live streamed

**"Volunteers needed"** to help record during Worship services to stream on Facebook live. Please contact Cristy Appel @ 215.1738.

**Ministers** Members of First Lutheran Church **Organist** Paul Henriksen

**Pastor** Rev. Joyce Tollefson Capp **Reader** Dave Dulas

**Sound** Mike Straw **Communion Assistant** Chris Hollingsworth

**"PICNIC AT THE PARSONAGE"**

**843 6<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Pipestone**

**Join us TODAY at 5pm for games fellowship & food on the new deck!**

**(Food served at 6pm)**

**Water, Juice, Plates, Napkins & Silverware & Dari King BBQs provided!**

**\*\*Please bring a dish to share if you are able.**

**FAIRSTAND WORKERS NEEDED**

**We are looking for youth & adult workers to help at the church Fair stand for the**

**following dates & shifts:**

**Wednesday Aug 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 11am-2pm, 2-5pm & 5-8pm**

**Each shift will require at least one adult to be working.**

**All are welcome to serve!**

**If you have an interest in helping, please contact Tami Taubert at 507-820-3101.**

**Family Day at Shetek Lutheran Bible Camp**

**Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon**

**Meal: Adults \$9.50; Ages 4-10 \$6.50; Ages 0-3 Free**

**Swimming (Lifeguard on duty) Family Games/Activities**

**Join Us for the Lauren Daigle Concert**

**Adult Education Committee would like to invite you to join us in Sioux Falls at the**

**Denny Sanford Premier Center October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 7:30pm for the Lauren Daigle Concert.**

**Call the Church office at 825-5837 by July 25<sup>th</sup> to sign up.**

**Cost: \$29.75. One group may go early for a dinner meal if there is an interest.**

**CALLING ALL YOUTH**

**The ELCA National Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis July 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> 2022.**

**This is a great opportunity for worship, Bible Study, Servant events and making new friends and celebrate being part of the church. It is never too early to start planning. If you are interested talk with**

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**We are collecting items for School kits**

Items needed are: One box of 16 or 24 crayons; Four notebooks; One ruler with 30-centimeters & inches; One pencil sharpener; One eraser; One pair of blunt scissors; 5 unsharpened #2 pencils; 5 black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink). ***Please bring them to Church by September 1st .***

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