

11th Sunday after Pentecost
August 8, 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. 658 "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

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: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:4-8

[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. Here ends the first lesson. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-8

I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

C: I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt God's name together.

C: I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

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C: I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them.

C: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

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

Please stand in honor of the reading of the gospel. The Holy Gospel is taken from **John 6:35, 41-51**

C: Glory to you O Lord.

Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall 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 the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors 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. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day No. 542 "O Living Bread from Heaven"

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 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.*

Prayers of the Church

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

Mission Moment

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray..

C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer 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

C: 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.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION HYMNS: No. 465 "As the Grains of Wheat"; 474 "Bread of Life from Heaven" vs. 1,2,5

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

GOD'S PEOPLE SENT FORTH

Benediction

Sending Hymn No. 793 "Be Thou My Vision"

Dismissal

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

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 loving memory of Karl Arthur Henriksen by Paul & Kristy Henriksen and family.

✠ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Val Carmondy, Janice Harkema, John Dubbelde as they deal with health issues; Mike & Jennifer Thode's daughter, Maddie Joyce, who is hospitalized.

Noisy Offering for "Lutheran Disaster Relief" The total amount collected for Lutheran Disaster Relief to this date is \$52.13. Thank you for your support for Lutheran Disaster Relief.

This Week's Schedule – Aug 8, 2021

Today 9:30am Worship/Holy Communion at Church and live streamed

Wednesday 8:00pm Council meeting

Thursday 9:30am Quilting; 4-5:00pm Second Harvest

Sunday 9:30am Worship at Church and live streamed; 12:00 Noon Family Day at Shetek Camp

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

Pastor Rev. Joyce Tollefson Capp **Sound** Jason Weber _____

Reader & Communion Assistant Tami Stevens

Family Day at Shetek Lutheran Bible Camp

Sunday, August 15th at Noon

The day will consist of a Meal: Adults \$9.50; Ages 4-10 \$6.50; Ages 0-3 Free; Family Games/Activities: Animal environmental activity & craft; and Swimming (Lifeguard on duty)

Today is the last day to sign up. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

FLCW Trip to Sioux Falls Wednesday, August 18

9:00am Coffee at Church; Tour Heritage Park at Augustana

Noon: Lunch

Afternoon: Tour St. Joseph's Cathedral

Call the church office if you are interested in attending – 825-5837.

Join Us for the Lauren Daigle Concert

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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.

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



***“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” -
Ephesians 2:10***

Together we are the church. There are many people with many gifts and there are people who are looking for a friendly phone call or visitor. We are looking at building a team of people who will with open ears, accept people as they are and bring the caring presence of Christ to others. If you would like to know more about this ministry and how you can serve one another contact Pastor Joyce.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples if you have love for one another.”

John 13:34-35

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