

***WELCOME TO WORSHIP***

***ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUG 8, 2021***

***Holy Spirit Lutheran Church  
And Day School  
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# ***ORDER OF WORSHIP***

## ***WELCOME, WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS***

### **+ GATHERING +**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP AND CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**  
*(Please stand as you are able)*

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen.**

**P:** Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** 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.**

**P:** 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.

**Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN:

ELW 542

## O Living Bread from Heaven



- 1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
- 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
- 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
- 4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.  
 and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;  
 And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.  
 my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!  
 for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,  
 My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,  
 and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!  
 the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.  
 and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.  
 where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

**\*GREETING**

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

**C:** And also with you.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray.

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.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(Vs 1-2)



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
 Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*(Please be seated)*

## + THE WORD +

### ***FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8***

<sup>4</sup>[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."<sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."<sup>6</sup> 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.<sup>7</sup> 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."<sup>8</sup> 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.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### ***PSALM 34:1-8***

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**<sup>2</sup>I will glory in the LORD;**

**let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  
let us exalt God's name together.

**<sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**<sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD  
and delivers them.

**<sup>8</sup>Taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

## RESPONSIVE SONG:

## ELW 677

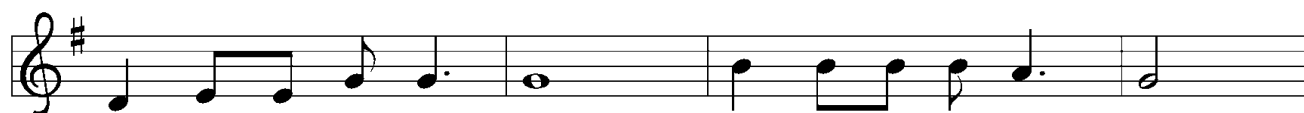
## This Little Light of Mine



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



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let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

**SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:25-5:2**

<sup>25</sup>So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which

you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. <sup>5:1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand, as you are able)*

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**\*THE HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 6:35, 41-51**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to John the sixth chapter.

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

<sup>35</sup>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. <sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” <sup>42</sup>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?’” <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>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. <sup>45</sup>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. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <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.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(please be seated*





*(please stand, as you are able)*

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

**ELW 793 (vs 1-4)**

**Be Thou My Vision**



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,  
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,  
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.  
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLES 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 THE PEOPLE**

*(response after: God in your mercy,)*

**C: hear our prayer.**

**\*PEACE**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

*Let us greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, 'Peace be with you'.*

*Please be seated as we finish singing*

## “LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH”

*Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.  
 Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
 With God as our Father, siblings all are we  
 Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.  
 Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now  
 With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow,  
 To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
 Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.*

## + GATHERING AROUND GOD’S TABLE+

### OFFERING:

**A:** We worship through our tithes and offering. Now let us joyfully respond to God’s goodness, through our personal giving.

*Place your offering in the plate as you enter or exit.*

*It is only through your giving that the ministry and mission of Holy Spirit continues. Many people give electronically and we thank all growing disciples in advance for their generous giving. Offerings can also be dropped in the mailbox or mailed in.*



**\*OFFERTORY****WOV 730 (vs 1 only)****My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness**

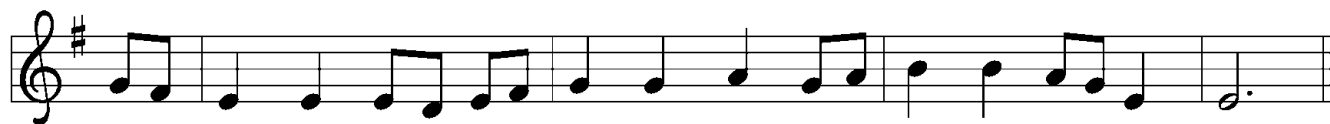
1 My soul pro-claims your great-ness, Lord; I sing my Sav - ior's praise!  
 2 To all who live in ho - ly fear your mer - cy ev - er flows.  
 3 To Is - ra - el, your ser - vant blest, your help is ev - er sure;



You looked up - on my low - li - ness, and I am full of grace.  
 With might - y arm you dash the proud, their schem - ing hearts ex - pose.  
 the prom - ise to our par - ents made their chil - dren will se - cure.



Now ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry age this bless - ing shall pro - claim—  
 The ruth - less you have cast a - side, the low - ly throned in - stead;  
 Sing glo - ry to the Ho - ly One, give hon - or to the Word,



great won - ders you have done for me, and ho - ly is your name.  
 the hun - gry filled with all good things, the rich sent off un - fed.  
 and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all a - dored.

Text: *With One Voice*, 1995, based on the Magnificat

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

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**OFFERING PRAYER**

**A:** 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 through your word.

**Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us say the prayer our Lord taught us.

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD**

**P:** Holy God, our Maker, our Healer, our Teacher,  
your magnificent creation springs forth from your Word.  
All that has life and breath praises your name.  
For your Word that sustains the earth, we thank you, O God.  
**We thank you, O God.**

**P:** You sent us Jesus, your Word, to renew the world.  
He healed the sick, fed the hungry,  
preached your mercy, and called us to faith.  
For your Word in our Lord Christ, we praise you, O God.  
**We praise you, O God.**

**P:** Nourish us with the Spirit of your Word,  
that we may grow in grace, bearing the fruits of redemption,  
and sharing your strength and beauty with all the world.  
For your Word in our lives, we entreat you, O God.  
**We entreat you, O God.**

**P:** Accept our thanksgiving and receive our prayer,  
for the sake of your living Word, Jesus our Savior.  
**Amen.**

**+ SENDING +**

**\*BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

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



## \*SENDING HYMN

## ELW 439

## Soon and Very Soon



1 Soon and ver - y soon  
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 3 No more dy - in' there,  
 4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon

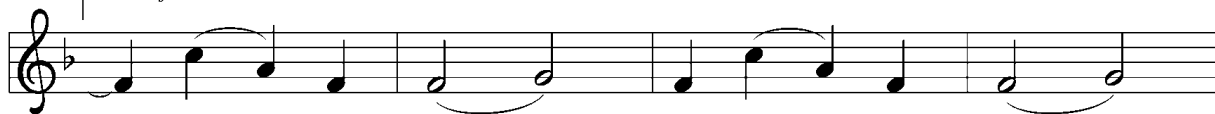


soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

*Coda after stanza 4*



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch

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**\*DISMISSAL**

**A:** Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

July's Income: \$9,880

Average Attendance: 38

Bulletin Covers are dedicated to the Glory of God in celebration of this congregation by Sonya Baxter.

***MINISTERS – ALL BAPTIZED PEOPLE OF GOD***

**Scheduled to serve this week 8/8**

**Scheduled to serve next week 8/15**

*Meghan G. - Leader*

*Greg C. – Assisting Minister*

*Tony H. – Psalm Reader*

*Alan S./Alan D. – Ushers*

*Christensen/Joshi – Counters*

*Volunteer – Altar*

*Meghan G. – Assisting Minister*

*Taylor J. – Psalm Reader*

*The Colahans - Ushers*

*The Colahans - Counters*

*Kathy D.- Altar*

\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS\*\*\*\*\*

**Healing:**

*Joe Monte*

*Frank Taddie*

*Lisa McDonough*

*Hugh Mullarkey*

*Jean Brown*

*Cassie Leon*

*John Hoyt*

*Gary Kline*

*Irene Muir*

*Mary Ellis*

*David Edwards*

*Jane Croghan*

*Jackie Dewitt*

*Linda Baker*

*Dennis Matarese*

*Bob McKeighan*

*Betty Oddi*

*Bea Henriques*

*Phil Atwood*

*Caroline Dougan (prayer of comfort)*

*Madel Scheible*

*Albert Brogan*

*(If you would like to add someone to the prayer list for Aug, please call the office.)*



**Also please remember in your prayers homebound members: Betty Oddi, Ruth Dell'Orefice, Olga Burna, Jane Croghan, and Debra Ulmer. Men & women in our armed forces, firefighters, police officers and emergency services personnel.**

**\*\*\*\*\*WEEKLY CALENDAR\*\*\*\*\***

<b>Wed, Aug 11</b>	<b>7:30pm – AA (Hall)</b>
<b>Thu, Aug 12</b>	<b>7:00pm – AA (Hall)</b>
<b>Fri, Aug 13</b>	<b>7:30pm – AA (Mtg Rm)</b>
<b>Sat, Aug 14</b>	<b>10:00am –AA (Hall)</b>
	<b>11:00am – DA (Mtg Rm)</b>
<b>Sun, Aug 15</b>	<b>10:15am – Worship (Hall)</b>

**Note: Office closed till noon Mon-Thu.**

## **Announcements and Upcoming Events**

**ALTAR HELP NEEDED** – Summer sign-up sheet for June-August is on the table. Can you cover one or two weeks during the summer? **Need volunteers for Aug 22 and 29.** Any help is greatly appreciated.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING ON WEB PAGE** – This summer, if you can't make it to church due to travel or other commitments, we encourage you to give electronically. Holy Spirit relies on the consistent financial support of the congregation. Our website has an easy donate button. Summertime can be a drain to churches as folks are away and the needs of the church slip one's mind. Help us to keep our ministry thriving with your financial offering.


**BLESSING OF TEACHERS AND BACKPACKS** – Sunday, Aug 29<sup>th</sup>.

**COUNCIL RETREAT** – Sunday, Aug 29<sup>th</sup>.

**CHURCH PICNIC** – Sunday, Sep 12<sup>th</sup> after church.

**VENDOR FAIR** – Saturday, Sep 25<sup>th</sup>, 10am-3pm.



- **Masks are optional but strongly recommended for those individuals who are not fully vaccinated.**
- **Attendance is being taken as you enter. If you are a non-member/visitor please give us your contact info.**
- **Please maintain 6 feet of social distancing.**
- **Hand sanitizer is provided.**
- **No shaking of hands during the Sharing of the Peace.** 
- **Please call the office to add someone to the prayer list.**
- **Please call the office to sponsor bulletin covers.**



## ***OUR STAFF***

### ***Holy Spirit Lutheran Church***

*Pastor-Rachel Scheible*

*Director of Music – Samuel Stevenson*

*Office Secretary – Jeanne Warner*

### ***Holy Spirit Day School***

*Pre-K Teacher – Nancy Harris*

*Teaching Assistant – Colleen Hall*

*Pre-School & MMO Teacher – Shelly Avila*

*Teaching Assistant – Sarah Murray*

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## **GOSPEL MESSAGE**

### **The Greatest Bread**

Jesus uses the image of bread to demonstrate that, even compared to all the great things God has done before, God's greatest miracle is in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus, the bread of life, is a greater miracle than the manna God sent in the desert (Exod. 16:14), greater than the bread the angel brought to restore Elijah (1 Kings 19:4-8), greater even than the loaves Jesus had just multiplied to feed a crowd of more than five thousand people (John 6:1-14)! In Jesus, God gives bread for the journey—not only for this life, but also into eternal life.

We're so familiar with this image that it loses some of its original power. But the claim Jesus is making here is a radical one—and a dangerous one. To Jesus' original audience, his claim to be the bread from heaven, the Son of God, must have sounded like outrageous blasphemy. "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know?" they say. "How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" (John 6:42). Who does this guy think he is?

Jesus' message is both outrageous and outrageously comforting: anyone who eats this bread will live forever. The Son of God meets us in this life and gives us real and certain hope for eternal life. Normal bread is amazing in its own right; manna is miraculous. But Jesus Christ is the true bread and the greatest miracle of all. "Taste and see that the LORD is good" (Ps. 34:8).