WELCOME TO WORSHIP

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JUL 18, 2021

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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.

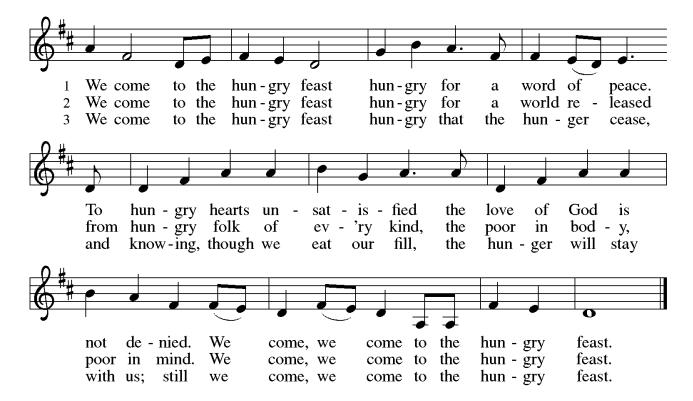
Amen.

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 479

We Come to the Hungry Feast



Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

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*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.

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

(Please be seated)

+ THE WORD +

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore 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. ³Then 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. ⁴I 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.

David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In 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."

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

¹The LORD is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

²The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

³You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴Though 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.

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

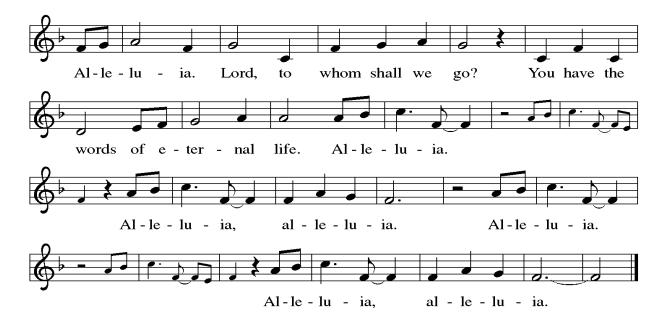
¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14For 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. ¹⁵He 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, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as you are able)

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-34, 53-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the sixth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He 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. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As 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.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And 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.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(please be seated)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Rev. Rachel Scheible

(please stand, as you are able)



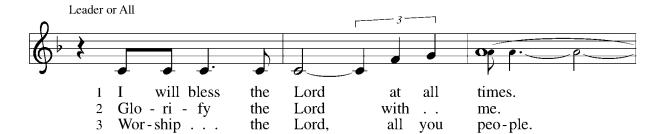
*HYMN OF THE DAY

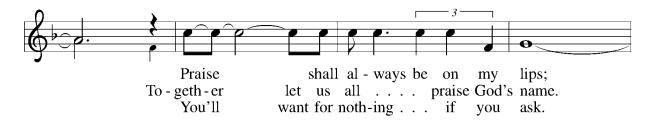
ELW 493

Taste and See













Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

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*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: Hear us, O God,)
C: Your mercy is great.

*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.

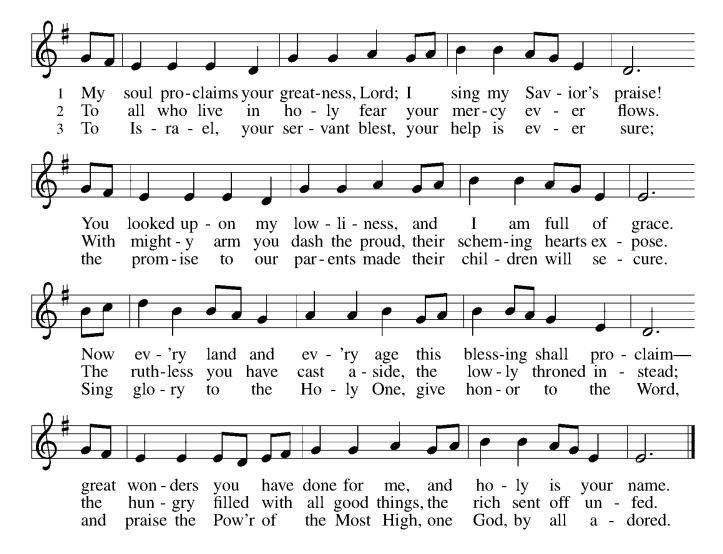
It is only through your giving that the ministry and mission of Holy Spirit continues. Many people give electronically and we thank all growing disciples in advance for their generous giving. Offerings can also be dropped in the mailbox or mailed in.



*OFFERTORY

WOV 730 (vs 1 only)

My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness



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 in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- **P:** Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- **P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give thanks and praise.
- **P:** It is indeed right......we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of pow'r and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, in the highest.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

In Holy Communion, the church shares the forgiving and renewing presence of the Lord Jesus in bread and wine. We invite all to receive this sacrament. The worship leaders will distribute the individually prepared communion as you remain seated. Gluten-free wafers available on request.

(Please be seated)

Music Voluntary

*P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. Amen.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Let us pray:

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.

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 Bind Us Together ELW 748

Refrain:

Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with cords that Cannot be broken. Bind us together Lord Bind us together, Lord, bind us together in Love

There is only on God. There is only one King There is only one Body; that is why we can sing:

Refrain

You are the family of God. You are the promise divine You are God's chosen desire, you are the glorious new wine.

Refrain

*DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God.

June's Income: \$10,505 Average Attendance: 36

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 7/18	Scheduled to serve next week 7/25
Alan S. – Assisting Minister	Mike G. – Assisting Minister
Mackay G. – Psalm Reader	Maddie G. – Psalm Reader
The Colahans – Ushers	The Klines - Ushers
The Colahans – Counters	Downey/Deemer - Counters
Nancy H./Carol D – Altar	Nancy H./Carol D - Altar

Sun, Jul 18	6:00pm – VBS
Mon, Jul 19	6:00pm $ VBS$
Tue, Jul 20	6:00pm $-$ VBS
Wed, Jul 21	6:00pm - VBS
Thu, Jul 22	6:00pm - VBS
Fri, Jul 23	7:30pm – AA (Mtg Rm)
Sat, Jul 24	11:00am – Memorial Service (Hall)
	11:00am – DA (Mtg Rm)
Sun, Jul 25	10:15am – Worship (Hall)

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

Healing:

Joe MonteJane CroghanFrank TaddieJackie DewittLisa McDonoughLinda Baker

Hugh MullarkeyDennis MatareseJean BrownBob McKeighan

Cassie Leon Betty Oddi

John Hoyt Bea Henriques
Gary Kline Phil Atwood

Irene Muir Caroline Dougan (prayer of comfort)

Mary Ellis

(If you would like to add someone to the prayer list for July, 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.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held on Sunday, July 18 – Thursday, July 22, 6-8pm. Our theme this year is "Discovery on Adventure Island". Please sign up how you can help (crafts, decoration, clean-up, recreation, etc.).

<u>ALTAR HELP NEEDED</u> – Summer sign-up sheet for June-August is on the table. Can you cover one or two weeks during the summer? Any help is greatly appreciated.

<u>ELECTRONIC GIVING ON WEB PAGE</u> – 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.

Supply Collection 2021 Suggested List Collection Ends August 1, 2021

It's time for the Backpack School Supply Collection. We hope to again be able to supply stuffed backpacks to students in the Chester and Upper Darby Communities. Last year we filled just over 300 backpacks. Over the past two years this has become an Interfaith effort with several faith communities joining what was started with the Lutheran Churches in Delaware County. Here are 3 ways you can support the collection this year.

One way to make a contribution this year is to use the links below to an Amazon Wishlist – School Supplies. Place an order and it will be shipped directly to the crew that will assembly the backpacks.

You can also make a monetary contribution. Checks can be mailed to School Supplies c/o Jody Troyan, 1201 Swarthmore Ave., Folsom, PA 19033. Checks should be made payable to Grace Lutheran Church – Broomall. Dave Ehret is again serving as Treasurer of this effort. As in past years you can do the shopping and drop off the supplies at your congregation. See the suggested list of supplies below:

Links to Wishlist:

https://tinyurl.com/DelcoSchoolSupplies

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Plastic Pencil Box

Pocket Tissue Packs

Composition Books

Crayons (24 count box)

Washable Markers (8 count box)

Glue (8-ounce bottle)

Glue Sticks

Large Pink Erasers

No. 2 Pencils

Pocket Folders

Safety Scissors

Pencil Sharpener

Ruler

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Plastic Pencil Box

Pocket Folders

Scotch Tape

Scissors

Highlighters

No. 2 Pencils

Mechanical Pencils

Colored Pencils

Pencil Sharpener

Index Cards (ruled & unruled)

Pens

Ruler

3 Ring Binders

Binder Dividers

Loose Leaf Paper

Post It Notes

1 Subject Notebooks

3 or 5 Subject Spiral Notebooks



Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Summer Fun VBS

Sunday July 18th-Thursday July 22nd

6:00-8:00pm

Cost is \$10

Children ages 3-12 welcome to attend For more information holyspiritsecane.org



- 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 nonmember/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

At Rest among Strangers

The world can be a dangerous place, and we all long for someone, some leader, who will watch over us and protect us from all harm. The prophet Jeremiah issues strong cautions to those who abuse the trust placed in them to care for God's people, and the psalmist sings the praises of the Lord who guards and guides us through life's trials.

But the letter to the Ephesians suggests that lasting safety comes through the healing and reconciling work of Christ, which allows us to share a meal with those we are inclined to regard as enemies, because Christ has "broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us." So, in Christ, aliens become citizens and strangers become members of the household of God.

Living into this reality requires all of us to be diligent in our practices with and policies toward all kinds of "strangers and aliens" in our world and in our lives. It means making peace with those whose politics make them strange to us, and creating genuine welcome for the newcomer in our classrooms, workplaces and congregations. It means considering the needs of immigrants and refugees through the lens of Christian faith as well as national identity, and not assuming the two are the same.

The reassuring news this day is that God, unlike so many who hold power in this world, is already reconciling the world to God's own self and us to one another. We enact this new reality each time we pass the peace or come to the Lord's supper, not because we have finally achieved the peace we seek, but because in Christ God's future reign of peace has already broken into our present.