

# Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

## August 8, 2021

### Holy Communion



#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.** Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. *Short silence for reflection.*

God, our provider, 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.**

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.**

#### OPENING HYMN – (LBW356)

#### O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of  
 2 Your truth un - changed has ev - er stood; you plead with  
 3 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to  
 4 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our  
 5 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -  
 all to call on you; to those who seek you, you are  
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -  
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you  
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.  
 good; to those who find you, life is new.  
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.  
 turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.  
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

## Greeting

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

## Kyrie

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy. — **A** For the peace from a - bove, and for

our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy. —

\* **A** For the peace of the whole world, for the

well - be - ing of the Church of God, — and for the un - i - ty of

all, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy. —

A For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and

praise, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, com-fort and de-fend us, gra - cious


Lord. A - men

◦ A single assisting minister may chant the melody line alone.

**HYMN OF PRAISE – next page**




A Glo-ry to God in the



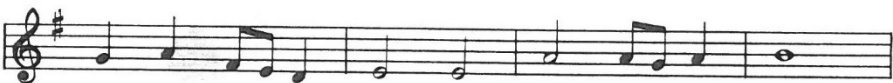
high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.




Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al - might - y God and




Fa - ther: We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we




praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther;



re - ceive our prayer. \_\_\_\_\_ For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
 A - men, a - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And al - so with you.

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.**

## READINGS

### **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. *The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God*

### **Psalm 34:1-8 (Read responsively by whole verse)**

<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!**

### **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.

*The Word of the Lord / Thanks be to God*

## Gospel Gradual

C B<sup>b</sup> C E<sup>b</sup> F C B<sup>b</sup> C

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Cm Gm/B<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> C B<sup>b</sup> C

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia,

## The Gospel according to John, the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter (6:35, 41-51)

Glo - ry 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." *The Gospel of the Lord*

16. After the reading the minister may say: "The Gospel o

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Rev. Rick Neu

HYMN OF THE DAY (LBW #224)

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness



1 Soul, a - dorn your-self with glad-ness, leave the gloom-y haunts of sad-ness,  
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.  
3 Now in faith I hum-bly pon - der o - ver this sur-pass-ing won-der  
4 Je - sus, source of last-ing plea-sure, tru - est friend, and dear-est trea-sure,



come in - to the day-light's splen-dor, there with joy your prais-es ren - der.  
There he stands al-read - y knock-ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un-lock - ing,  
that the bread of life is bound-less though the souls it feeds are count-less;  
peace be-yond all un - der - stand-ing, joy in - to all life ex-pand-ing:



Bless the one whose grace un-bound-ed this a - maz-ing ban-quet found-ed;  
o - pen wide the fast-closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im - mor - tal:  
with the choic-est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.  
hum-bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



he, though heav'n-ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.  
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with-in my heart for - ev - er."  
Oh, most glo-rious con - so-la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.  
wor - thi - ly let me re-ceive you, and, so fa-vored, nev - er leave you.

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978  
Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.\*  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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 Intercession

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*

For the church of Christ in all its diverse forms. For mission developers, new mission starts, and all communities of faith exploring new models of ministry for the sake of the gospel. For congregations facing difficult decisions about their future.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the health and well-being of creation. For shade trees that provide refuge from the hot summer sun. For lakes, rivers, and oceans contaminated by pollution and all who lack clean water. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those called to positions of authority in our legal system, we pray. For judges, lawyers, law clerks, and court employees who ensure the fair administration of justice. For corrections officers and prison chaplains, that they would deal mercifully with those who are incarcerated. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who cry out to you in their affliction. For exiles, refugees, and others who face long and difficult journeys, uncertain about the future. For all who mourn the death of a loved one. For all who are sick (*especially*). God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this assembly gathered around your table, we pray. For those among us who bake bread and prepare the vessels for our communion celebration. For those who bring the food from this table to those who are homebound or hospitalized.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

For those who have been raised to eternal life, we give thanks. With all the saints we praise you for the bread of life that keeps us in your love forever. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**


We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **PEACE OF THE LORD**

The Peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

### **OFFERTORY – Reception of tithes and offerings**

Offertory Hymn:



Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, and  
give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## Offering Prayer

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.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Musical score for "Offering Prayer" and "The Great Thanksgiving". The score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system includes the lyrics "The Lord be with you." and "And also with you." The second system includes the lyrics "Lift up your hearts." and "We lift them to the Lord." The score is written for voice and piano. The piano part includes a bass line and a right-hand accompaniment. The page number 14 is visible at the bottom of the first system.

**G**  
The Lord be with you.

**E<sup>b</sup> F G**  
And also with you.

**G**  
Lift up your hearts.

**E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> F G**  
We lift them to the Lord.

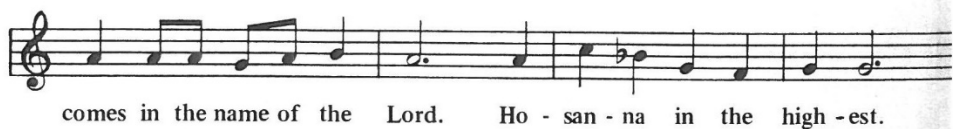
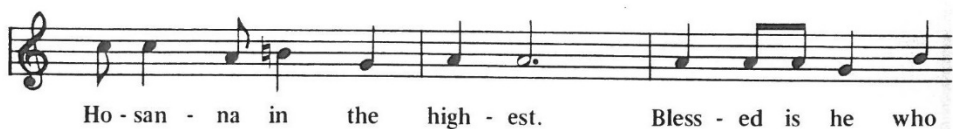
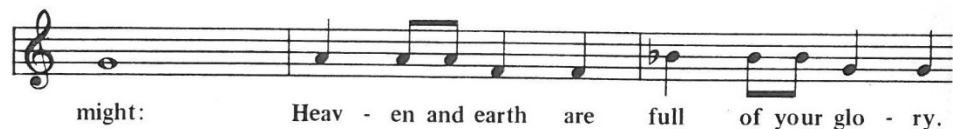
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Musical score for "The Great Thanksgiving". The score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system includes the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The second system includes the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The score is written for voice and piano. The piano part includes a bass line and a right-hand accompaniment.

**G B<sup>b</sup> G**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**E<sup>b</sup> A<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> F G**  
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened the way to everlasting life. And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



31. *The minister may say:*

**P** Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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 for the 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. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes.

**G** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

**P** Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

**G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

**G** Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

**P** Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



Through him, with him, in him, \_\_\_\_\_ in the



u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spir - it, \_\_\_\_\_ all



hon - or and glo - ry is yours, \_\_\_\_\_ al - might - y



Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_ A - men

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

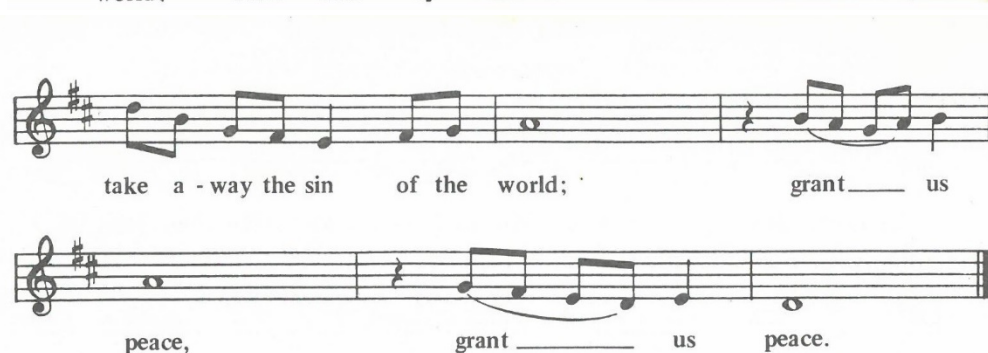
## THE FRACTION

Invitation to Communion (verbal instructions to be given by Pastor)

## AGNUS DEI



♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant \_\_\_\_ us  
peace, grant \_\_\_\_\_ us peace.

*Stand*

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

## THE DISTRIBUTION

## Prayer after Communion

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.**

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



A Thank the Lord, thank the Lord, thank the Lord and  
sing his praise. **C** Thank the Lord and sing his praise;  
tell ev-'ry-one what he has done. Let all who seek the  
Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name. He re-calls his  
prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

## Blessing

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

**Closing Hymn – NEXT PAGE (WOV #776)**

# 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 by day and by night,  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r,  
thou, and thou on - ly, 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.

Text: Irish 8th–10th cent.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.  
Music: SLANE, Irish tune

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace, Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS