

The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 1, 2021, 8:45 am

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

Gathering

Prelude

O Bread of Life from Heaven

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, arr. Aaron David Miller (b.1972)

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

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.

Silence is kept 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.

Entrance Hymn ELW 475



Text: George H. Bourne, 1840-1925

Music: BRYN CALFARIA, William Owen, 1814–1893

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.**

Canticle of Praise

Verses 3 & 4 are located on the next page.





Text: Psalm 95:1-7 Music: Jack Noble White Music © 1971 Walton Music Corp. Used by permission.

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**



Word

First Reading Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

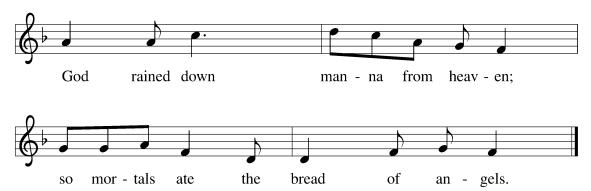
Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 74:23-29

The cantor introduces the refrain; please sing the second time. The verses are sung in alternation; verses sung by the congregation are printed in bold. Subsequent refrains are sung only once by all, at the places indicated by **R**.



Refrain: Mark Shepperd



²³So God commanded the [|] clouds above and opened the [|] doors of heaven,

²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven. R

²⁵So mortals ate the | bread of angels; God provided for them | food enough.

²⁶The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

²⁷raining down flesh upon | them like dust and flying birds like the sand | of the seas,

²⁸letting them fall in the midst | of the camp and round a- | bout the dwellings.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-16

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

²⁹So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved. **R**

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. (Matt. 4:4)

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel John 6:24-35

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

Sermon Pastor Miller

Hymn of the Day

ELW 480



Text: Latin hymn, c. 1661; tr. Hugh T. Henry, 1862–1946, sts. 1, 3; tr. Philip Schaff, 1819–1893, st. 2 Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 Intercession

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

After each portion of the prayers:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

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

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**



Thanksgiving

Offering

We invite you to give your offering online at <u>saintlukegive.us</u> or on the Give Plus app. You may also mail your checks to:

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Music at the offering
O Welt, Ich Muss Dich Lassen

Gerald Near (b.1942)

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please pray in your own preferred language. 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.

Padre Nuestro Que estas en los cielos
Santificado sea tu Nombre
Venga a nosostros tu Reino
Hagase tu voluntad asi en la tierra como en el cielo
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia
Perdona nuestras ofensas
Como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion mas libranos del mal
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la Gloria
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amen

Sending

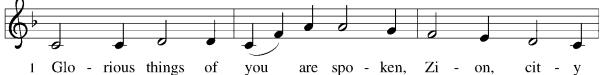
Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

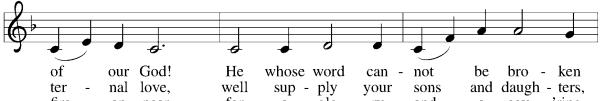
▶ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn ELW 647



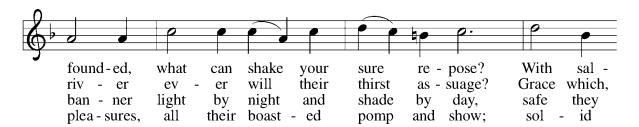
- 2 See, the streams of liv ing wa ters, spring ing from e -
- 3 Round each hab i ta tion hov 'ring, see the cloud and
- 4 Sav ior, since of Zi on's cit y I through grace a



cov - 'ring, fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a de mem - ber am, let the world ride or pit - y,



formed you for his own a - bode. On the Rock of Α ges all fear of want re - move. Who can faint, while such a show - ing that the Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their Fad - ing are will glo - ry in your name. the world's vain





walls sur-round-ed, smile va - tion's you may at all your foes. Lord, the giv - er, like the nev - er fails from age to age. feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their but Zi - on's chil-dren know. last - ing trea - sures none joys and

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt.

Music: BLAENWERN, William P. Rowlands, 1860-1937

Dismissal

Go in peace.
Worthy of the calling.
Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

Bryn Calfaria, arr. Aaron Shows (b.1989)



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at Saint Luke Lutheran

August 1, 2021

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TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:45 am Worship, streaming online10:15 am Up for Discussion, via Zoom

3:00 pm San Lucas Gospel Meditation, via Zoom

Upcoming Commemorations

Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221 Sunday, August 8, 2021

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

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AUG ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:45 am	Worship, streaming online
10:15 am	Up for Discussion, via Zoom
11:30 am	Outdoor Holy Communion, in South Parking Lot
5:00 pm	San Lucas Misa, streaming online
6:30 pm	Outdoor Holy Communion, in South Parking Lot

Music Notes

The prelude is a hymn setting on "O Bread of Life from Heaven" written by composer and organist Aaron David Miller. Dr. Miller is Music Director at House of Hope Presbyterian Church in St. Paul, MN. This hymn setting is set in the minor mode in contrast with the hymn tune which is in major. A lilting accompaniment is set in a irregular meter (7/8) in the first and third section. In the middle section, soft chords in the left hand, punctuated by the pedal (feet). The right hand plays an ornamented version of the melody.

The voluntary at the offering is a simple setting of "O Bread of Life from Heaven" by American composer Gerald Near. The melody is played in the soprano line with a gentle running eighth note accompaniment.

The postlude is a setting of the hymn "Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor." Aaron Shows is a composer, organist, and pianist originally from Montgomery, Alabama. He has played some of the finest European pipe organs in Germany, France, and Denmark, and composes often for the instrument. He is currently the organist at First United Methodist Church in Pasadena. His arrangement brilliantly weaves the hymn tune with rhythmical figuration. A softer contrasting section introduces a disguised version of the tune immediately followed by a fuller and louder accompaniment. A pedal tone and dramatic figuration leads back to the beginning material with louder combination of stops (sounds).