



The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 8, 2021, 8:45 am

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

Gathering

Prelude

Cantabile

César Franck (1822-1890)

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

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



life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
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.
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.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

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

Verse 4 is located on the next page.



1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the



rock of our sal - va - tion. Let us come be-fore God's pres-ence with thanks-



giv - ing and raise a loud shout to God with psalms.



2 For the Lord is a great God, and a great rul-er o'er all



gods. It is God who holds the cav - erns of the



earth, and the heights of the moun - tains al - so.



3 It is God who rules the seas, whose hands have mold - ed the



dry land. Come, let us bow down and bend the knee,



and kneel be - fore the Lord our mak - er.



4 For this great one is our God, who choos-es a peo - ple and
tends them, and whose hand will guide them like sheep.
Oh, that to - day you would hear-ken to God's voice.

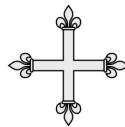
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Music: Jack Noble White
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Prayer of the Day

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.



Word

First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the LORD is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

[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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

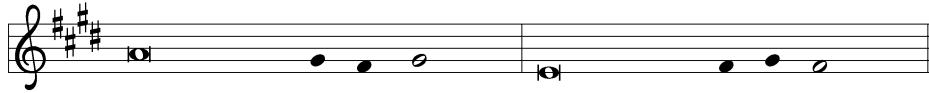
Psalm

Psalm 34:1-8

*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: Bruce Bengston



¹I will bless the LORD¹ at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be ¹ in my mouth.

²**I will glory ¹ in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear ¹ and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness ¹ of the LORD;
let us exalt God's ¹ name together.

⁴**I sought the LORD, who ¹ answered me**
and delivered me from ¹ all my terrors. R

⁵Look upon the LORD¹ and be radiant,
and let not your faces ¹ be ashamed.

⁶**I called in my affliction, and ¹ the LORD heard me**
and saved me from ¹ all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹ fear the LORD
and de- ¹ livers them.

⁸**Taste and see that the ¹ LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref- ¹ uge in God! R

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:25--5:2

Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. 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. 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. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, 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 Acclamation



Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever.
(John 6:51)

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

John 6:35, 41-51

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.

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.

Praise to you, O Christ.


Sermon

Pastor Miller


Leader or All




1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
 3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you
 flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .
 I . . . am the life. . . If you be -
 you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .



lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 eat . . . of this bread, you shall . . . live for -
 drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his
 lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you
 Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
 ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
 die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
 come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .

Refrain
 All



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,




and I will raise you up on the last day."



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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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:

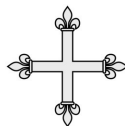
We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 saintlukegive.us or on the Give Plus app.
You may also mail your checks to:

Saint Luke Lutheran Church
9100 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Music at the offering

Panis angelicus
fit panis hominum;
Dat panis coelicus
figuris terminum:
O res mirabilis!
Manducat Dominum
pauper, servus et humilis.

*Bread of the angel host
sent down from God above;
Body of Christ our Lord in token of his love:
O gift most wonderful! Christ as our sacra-
ment: Humble, lowly, all share his sacred
feast.*

Panis angelicus
Text: St Thomas Aquinas (1226-74)
Music: César Franck

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 nosotros 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

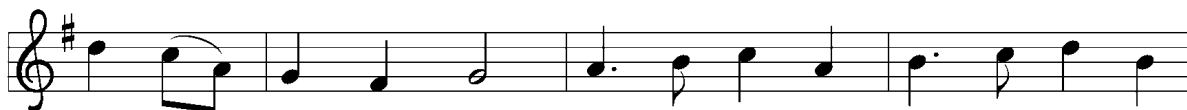
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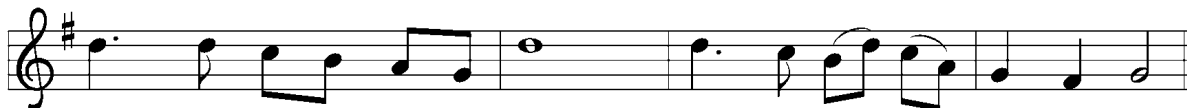
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might-y arm, shield me with your might-y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

Dismissal

Go in peace.
Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

CWM Rhondda, arr. Walter Pelz (b.1926)



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at Saint Luke Lutheran

August 8, 2021

08 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

15 MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

AUG

8:45 am	Worship, <i>streaming online</i>
10:15 am	Up for Discussion, <i>via Zoom</i>
3:00 pm	San Lucas Gospel Meditation, <i>via Zoom</i>

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.

Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.

Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, died 1253

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

A contemporary of Francis of Assisi, Clare and a growing number of companions established a women's Franciscan community, called the Order of Poor Ladies, or Poor Clares. She inspired other women to pursue spiritual goals.

Florence Nightingale, died 1910; Clara Maass, died 1901; renewers of society

Friday, August 13, 2021

Nightingale was born in England, and horrified her wealthy family by deciding to become a nurse. She led a group of nurses in ministering in the midst of the Crimean War, and worked for hospital reform. Maass, a native of New Jersey, was also a war nurse, and volunteered as a subject for research on yellow fever. She died of the disease.

Maximilian Kolbe, died 1941; Kaj Munk, died 1944; martyrs

Saturday, August 14, 2021

Father Kolbe was a Franciscan priest arrested by the Nazis and confined in Auschwitz. Kolbe gave generously of his meager resources, and finally volunteered to be starved to death in place of another man. A Danish Lutheran pastor and playwright, Munk strongly denounced the Nazis who occupied Denmark in the Second World War. His sermons and articles helped to show the anti-Christian nature of the movement.

Music Notes

Both the prelude and the anthem during the offering was written by the famous composer and organist César Franck, who though was born in present day Belgium, spent most of his working life in Paris. He was the organist at St Clotilde and wrote numerous pieces for the organ. The Cantabile in B Major is a piece in the form of a song and is in three parts. The question-answer form features a trumpet stop contrasting with the singing flutes and principals of the organ. The melody is heard first in the soprano line and later in the tenor. After a restless transition in the dominant key, the melody is heard in canon form.

Music during the Offering: One of his most enduring vocal pieces is the communion motet Panis Angelicus. The text comes from the last two stanzas of the hymn Sacris solemniis, composed by St. Thomas Aquinas for the Matins of Corpus Christi. Franck's setting for Tenor solo, organ (harmonium), harp and cello was incorporated it into his Messe à trois voix, Op. 12 and was published in 1872. The piece has been made into numerous arrangements including this one for treble voice and keyboard.

The postlude is a simple setting of the hymn "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer." It features a ritornello (refrain) played on the Great Principal Stops which alternates with the melody played in the tenor range on the Swell reed stops. A renowned composer, choral director, organist and educator, Dr. Walter Pelz regularly performs recitals, dedications, and hymn festivals and appears as a clinician for organ and choral workshops throughout the United States. He has composed several hundred compositions including verses and offertories, anthems, solos, cantatas, hymns, choral symphonies, and organ works.

