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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 18, 2021

Anchored in Scripture; Sharing Life in Christ

Welcome to worship! A special welcome to any visitors worshipping here this morning. So that we connect and keep in touch with our visitors, we have "connect cards". Please ask an Usher for assistance. May God bless all of us as we hear God's word read, proclaimed, and offered in Holy Communion! May we offer our own praise and thanksgiving to God with honest and joyful hearts, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord!

Welcome to the Lord's Table: As Lutheran Christians we believe in the real presence of Jesus offered in Holy Communion (The Eucharist). We invite all baptized Christians who confess their sin before God, affirm Jesus' presence in this meal, and rejoice in God's forgiveness offered to us to receive Holy Communion. If you do not usually commune or are awaiting instruction in the meaning of this sacrament, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing.

If you have food, water, or drinks, please leave them in the foyer on the table provided.

The Peace of the Lord be with you!



W ---- WORSHIP

I ---- INSTRUCTION

S ---- SERVICE

E ---- EVANGELISM/ECCLESIA

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Our rope has four strands, that when twisted together make us stronger in sharing our life together in Christ. The four strands of our sharing life together are: Worship, Instruction, Service, and Evangelism (W.I.S.E.).

Order of Service

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (1 John 1:6-10;Proverbs 28:13; Psalm 55:22)

Please stand if you are able.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Processional Hymn:

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.
Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

- 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.

Hymn of Praise:



Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; that you may hear our petitions. In all things, help us to ask for what will please you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the Lord. ²Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord. ³Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord. ⁵"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for 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 dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'"

After the reading the congregation responds as follows.

L: The Word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

- ¹The Lord | is my shepherd;* I shall not | be in want.
- ²He makes me lie down | in green pastures* and leads me be- | side still waters.
- ³He re- | vives my soul* and guides me along right pathways | for his 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 spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;*

you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

⁶Surely your 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

¹¹Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands — 12 remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated 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 himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²²In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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



Gospel: Mark 6:30-44

³⁰The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place 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 desolate place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. ³⁵And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. ³⁶Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. ⁴¹And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴²And they all ate and were satisfied. ⁴³And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. 44And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

After the Gospel reading, the Pastor says;

P: The Gospel of the Lord

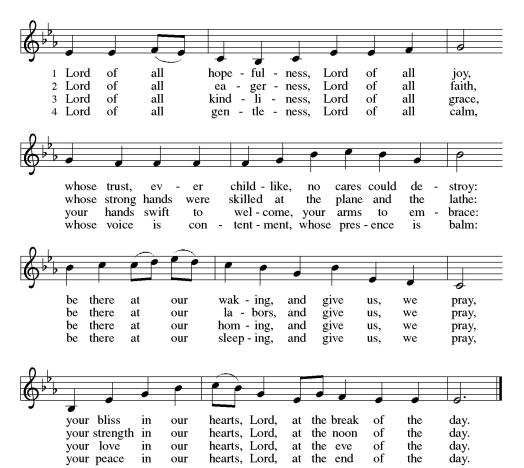
C:



SERMON Hymn of the Day:

Pastor Mark Metze

Lord of All Hopefulness



Text: Jan Struther, 1901–1953 Music: SLANE, Irish traditional Text © Oxford University Press 1931.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, (Genesis 1:1; John 1:1-3) 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. (John 1:14)

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again. (Luke 24:6-7)

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. (Mark 16:19)

(Ephesians 2:20-22)

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Galatians 6:2; 1Timothy 2:1)

The Assisting Minister leads the prayers and the congregation responds.

A: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE (2nd Corinthians 5:18; Ephesians 4:32)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

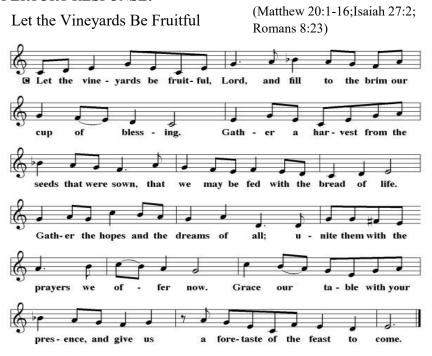
The ministers and congregation greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERING

Anthem

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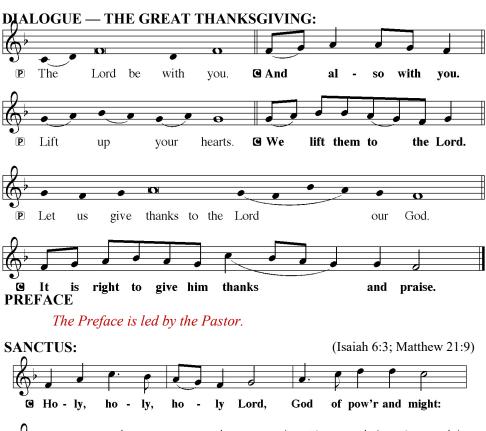
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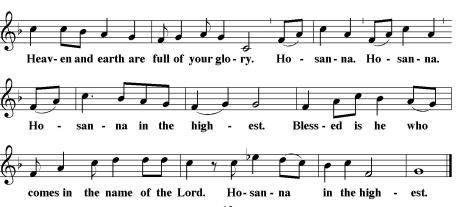


OFFERTORY PRAYER: (Proverbs 3:9; Romans 15:26-27; 2nd Corinthians 9:6-7) *The Assisting Minister leads the prayer and the congregation responds.*

A: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.





PRAYER

The Pastor begins with "Blessed are you..."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS:

(Matthew 15:27; Galatians 2:20)

- P: We do not presume to come to this Your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Your manifold and great mercies.
- C: We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table. But You are the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, to abide in the body and blood of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His body, and our souls washed through His most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Mark 14: 22-24; Luke 22:18-20)

The Pastor begins with "In the night..."

LORD'S PRAYER:

(Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:24)

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.

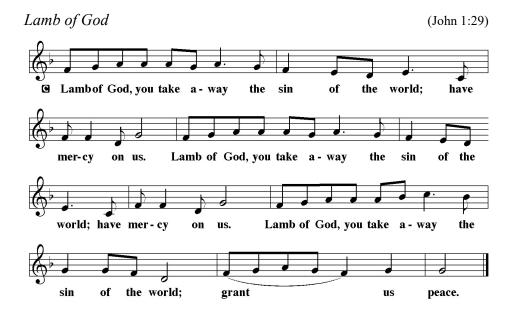
HOLY COMMUNION:

All baptized Christians are welcome to come forward for communion. Others may come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms to identify that you wish to be blessed.

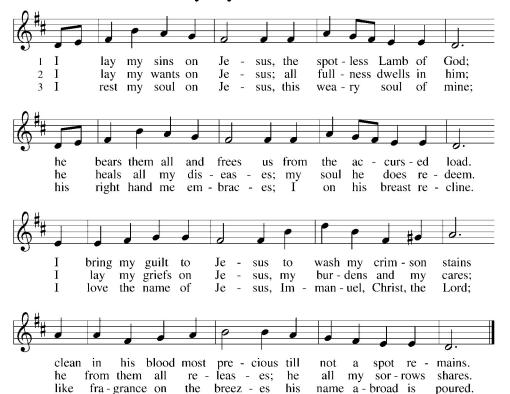
DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION:

As directed by the Ushers.

Hymns during Distribution:



I Lay My Sins on Jesus



Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

Music: MUNICH, Neu-vermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693

O Living Bread from Heaven



Text: Johann Rist, 1606–1667: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

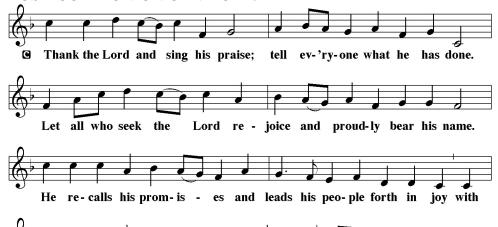
POST-COMMUNION BLESSING:

Please stand if you are able

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER:

shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu -

A: Let us pray.

The Assisting Minister leads the prayer and the congregation responds

C: Amen

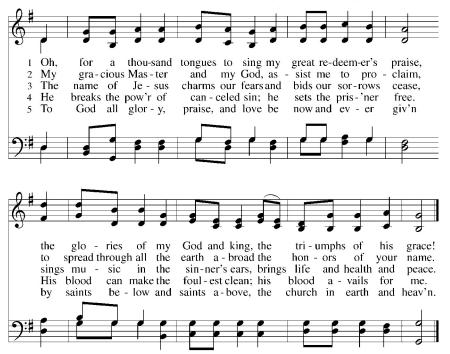
BLESSING: (Numbers 6:22-27)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn:

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



Text: Charles Wesley. 1707–1788, alt. Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser. 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

SENDING:

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship

Ushers: Kathy Ogle

Pat Ogle

Acolyte/Crucifer: Amanda Vehslage

Brendan Vehslage

Asst. Minister: Rick Smith **Lector:** Suzy Lutz

Comm. Asst: Debbie Robinson

Suzanne Smith

Comm. Clean-up: Gloria Barnes

Suzy Lutz

Nursery:

ANNAPOLIS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Pastor: The Reverend Mark A. Metze Music Director: Emma Baker Youth Director: JaNeise Sturdivant

Weekly Contribution for the week of July 11, 2021 \$9,229.00

Prayer List

Health & Healing: Juliet Reece Angichiodo, Lee Coogle, Connie Crupi, Ron Hamm, Tom Jett, Gary Morey, JaNeise Sturdivant and Frank Williamson.

<u>Homebound</u>: Carolyn Buddemeier, Jean Clarke, Henrietta Conlin, Alice Johnson, Betty Strohl, Eleanor Heckendorn and David Zeyher.

Military Deployed & Their Families: Brandi Hamm deployed to Kuwait for seven months

NALC Atlantic Mission Region Congregation of the Week: St. Paul Lutheran Church Seven Valleys, PA

Youth Sponsored Children: Joseph and Muluken

Ministry Opportunities

- Ushers are still needed for services. Please contact Suzanne Smith at 410-212-6713 or sc smith@mac.com to volunteer.
- The nursery is in need of volunteers to help watch our youngest children. We need teens and adults. If you are interested please contact Karen Schrader at sparky9144@verizon.net or 410-562-9516. Background checks must be done prior to serving in the Nursery. You may signup on the church website under Ministry Opportunities

Adult Forum

The Adult forum discussion and presentations will be held next on Sunday July 11th after worship service. The topic is sermon symposium.

Book Club

The book club will reconvene in September of this year. Please plan to join us.

Men's Bible Study

Join the men's Wednesday morning Bible study at 8:00 A.M. at the IHOP in Edgewater. There is also a Thursday Bible study in Crofton at Grumps Cafe at 7:00 A.M.

Youth Group

Youth group in July will be held on the second and fourth Sundays.

Avodah

There will be Vespers Worship services from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. followed by Fellowship and a service project. The dates are as follows: July 16- Orphan Grain Train, and July 23- NALC Flood buckets

Red Cross Blood Drive on site August 11, 2021

As a community outreach, the Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive on our property on Wednesday, August 11 from 12:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.. Please register at red-crossblood.org and follow the link for times at our location.

MOPS

If you're a mother of a preschooler, you've got your hands full... We know how you feel, and we're here to help! There is nothing little about a mother's impact. Moms know this, so they pour themselves into mothering. But who pours themselves into moms? We do. If you are a mom or know someone who:

- is pregnant or has a newborn through
 kindergartner
- desires to make new friends
- wants to share the challenges and joys of motherhood
- is looking for spiritual growth through trusted resources
- wants to learn more about raising your children in a Christian home
- enjoys giving back to the community

...please join us!

MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, a program designed to nurture mothers with newborns through kindergarten as well as pregnant moms. The women are of many ages and backgrounds, but share the same desire- to be the best mothers they can be.

You can join us right here in the gym on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:30-11:30 beginning September 18th! Check us out on social media or chat with me (Becca Metze) after worship • I'll be the mama in the back juggling the active toddler and newborn!

Contact me: mops.alchurch@gmail.com // 803-260-7597

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Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

I CORINTHIANS 13:4-7, ESV