



**Salem Lutheran Church**  
**Nineth Weekend After Pentecost**  
**July 24/25, 2021**

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**Nineth Weekend After Pentecost**  
**Holy Communion**

**July 24/25, 2021**

**Saturday 5:00 p.m. / Sunday 9:30 a.m.**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting 10*

**⌘ GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

**PRELUDE**

*All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

Dunstan/Moore

**WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**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)*

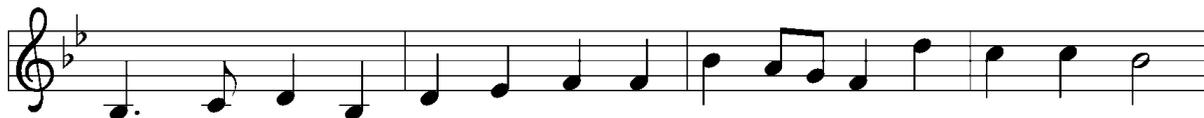
God, our provider,

**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.

**C: Amen.**

**BREAD  
OF LIFE**

*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
 3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant-ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick-en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
 let my soul, where it is plant-ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick-en, may thy word still o'er me shine  
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless-ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
 To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
 so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
 as my guid-ing star through life, as my com-fort in all strife.  
 Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

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**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

**P:** The grace and peace 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.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a  
 longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may  
 know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with  
 all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

## INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

### ⌘ RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

#### THE FIRST READING

2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 4:42-44

*Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.*

**A:** The First Reading is from the 4<sup>th</sup> Chapter of 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings ...

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

**A:** The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM 145:10-18

**A:** *Please join me in praying Psalm 145 responsively:*  
All your works shall praise you, O LORD,  
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**C: They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom  
and speak of your power,**

**A:** that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**C: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;  
your dominion endures throughout all ages.  
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words,  
and loving in all your works.**

**A:** The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**C: The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

**A:** You open wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**C: You are righteous in all your ways  
and loving in all your works.**

**A:** You are near to all who call upon you,  
to all who call upon you faithfully.

## THE SECOND READING

**Ephesians 3:14-21**

*We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.*

**A:** The Second Reading is from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter of Ephesians ...

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

**A:** The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### MESSAGE

Pastor Preston Fields

### HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW Hymn 674

#### *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*



- 1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

#### *Refrain*



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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## ⌘ RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** for *Dolly Elizabeth Iaccino* (See Insert - 5:00 pm only)

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** for *Nora Rose Foster* (See Insert - 9:30 am only)

*Baptism*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

*(A brief silence)*

**A:** We pray for the church. Bless the ministries of our neighboring Lutheran congregations and our full communion partners in the United Church of Christ, Episcopal Church, United Methodist Church, Moravian Church, Presbyterian Church, and Reformed Church in America. Empower churches throughout the world and encourage missionaries who accompany global neighbors. Kindle in us a spirit of collaboration, that all people may know your loving works. *Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**A:** We pray for creation. Send rain to lands experiencing drought and come to the aid of those enduring sweltering heat. Nurture crops grown for the nourishment of your people and conserve aquatic habitats and fish populations. *Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**A:** We pray for those who govern. Cast out arrogance, selfishness, and corruption and instruct those who lead to practice compassion and humility. Inspire them with a vision of the common good and a commitment to ensure that all who hunger are fed. *Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**A:** We pray for those bowed down by heavy burdens: those who are unemployed or underemployed, those unable to find affordable housing, and those without health insurance. Console those who grieve and hear the cries of those who call to you for healing especially **Bob, Sandy, Carol, Bonnie, Ellie, Carol, Joan, Carol, Betty** and those we say aloud or hold in our hearts. *(wait 10 seconds) Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**A:** We pray for this assembly. Deepen our resolve to use what we have to serve those in need. When we worry that we do not have enough resources for ministry, assure us of your abundance. *Hear us, O God.*

**C: Your mercy is great.**

- A:** We give thanks for those who have died. As you sustained them through all their days, so dwell in our hearts, that we may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. *Hear us, O God.*
- C:** **Your mercy is great.**
- P:** We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C:** **Amen.**

## SHARING GOD'S PEACE

### OFFERING

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### OFFERING HYMN

*ELW Hymn 689*

#### *Praise and Thanksgiving*



- 1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
- 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
- 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
- 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the  
neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work  
guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -  
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.  
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.  
joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.  
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

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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.

**C:** **Amen.**

## ⌘ GATHERING AT GOD'S TABLE

### DIALOGUE

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### 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 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.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**C:** **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.**

*Please refer to Pastor Preston's email/letter  
"Communion in Exceptional Times."*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

## COMMUNION CANTICLE



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### COMMUNION HYMN

*ELW Hymn 484*

### *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

*(Stanzas 1, 2, 3, 5)*



You sat - is - fy the hun-gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;  
2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude  
3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?  
4 The mys - t'ry of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:  
5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,



so when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joi - ce.  
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heav'n - ly food.  
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
 whom all the world can - not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

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### TABLE BLESSING

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

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- 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.  
**C:** Amen.

⌘ **GOING FORTH TO "Live Christ's Love"**

### DEPARTURE BLESSING

- P:** May God give you grace never to sell yourself short, grace to risk something big for something good, and grace to remember the world is too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but love. Almighty God, Father, Son, † and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
**C:** Amen.

*The world is too dangerous for anything but truth ...*



*and too small for anything but love.*

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,

the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—

The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,

the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.

The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now

reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.

Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing

to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

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## DISMISSAL

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

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Lead Me, Guide Me*

Akers



### *Worship Leaders . . .*

*Pastor Preston Fields*

*John Seraphine, Saturday Assisting Minister*

*Ken Reinhardt, Saturday Sound Tech*

*Susan King, Sunday Assisting Minister*

*Larry Schlawin, Sunday Sound Tech*

### *Musician . . .*

*Michael Carlson, Piano/Organ*

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