



As We Gather The Eight Sunday after Pentecost July 18, 2021

We enjoy lives of liberty and freedom—freedom especially from any oppressive or tyrannic political government. Spiritually, however, we are not free, but slaves to sin and death. Spiritually, we need a deliverer, a Savior, a benevolent king. Paul reminds us of how, because of sin, being apart from God we had no hope. But he points us to Christ Jesus, who came to bring us near to the one hope of salvation by His blood. Jesus is the saving King who takes away your sin and delivers you through death. The Shepherd’s compassion is for all and is for you. The title “King” was placed above His head on the cross. Now by His victory, all earthly sovereigns cast their crowns before Him. Receive His compassionate rule today as He brings us near to Himself by His Word and Sacraments and calls you blessed.

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Please meet with an usher for prayer requests.
Ask us about Associate Memberships for Lutherans who are part-time residents.

A Gentle Reminder to turn off cell phones. Thank You.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION



As Lutheran Christians, we believe that our Lord's Body and Blood are truly present (not symbolic) in the Bread and Wine and received by all who attend. Since our Lord reminds us that thoughtless or faithless reception of the Sacrament can incur His judgment, all are encouraged to examine themselves that they may receive it worthily.
(1 Corinthians 11:27-32)

Please use the following questions and LSB p. 329 as a personal guide before partaking of this Holy Sacrament:

- *Do I renounce sin, Satan and my own flesh, and seek true forgiveness and reconciliation with God and my neighbor?**
- *Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from sin, death, and the power of the devil?**
- *Do I believe that Christ's own words, this is my body and this is my blood shed for you for the forgiveness of sins (Mt. 26:28), mean exactly what they say for us today?**
- *Do I earnestly desire to live a Godly life by the power of the Holy Spirit and in thanksgiving to Christ?**

Because attendance at Communion is also a testimony to this faith in the Triune God confessed and taught here, and to unity in belief as brothers and sisters in Christ (1 Corinthians 10:16-17), we ask that any visitors not yet instructed, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and who desire to receive the Sacrament introduce themselves to the Pastor or Elder beforehand if possible.

Please Note

An invitation for children not confirmed in the Lutheran church can come and receive a blessing at the altar.

We offer a traditional communion wafer,
Off-White Color Wafers are Gluten Free.

While communing, please point to the bread meeting your preference.
Clear Color Wine is Alcohol Free

PRELUDE

WELCOME

PREPARATION

OPENING HYMN #709 “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Ephesians 2:12–13, alt.

P Remember that you were once separated from Christ, having no hope and without God in the world.

C **But now in Christ Jesus we who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace.**

Silence for reflection.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded us to confess our sins and yet have promised Your forgiveness. We therefore confess our sins, even those we are not aware of, those we have done and all that we have failed to do. By Your divine command, grant us Your forgiveness for the sake of the blood of our crucified and risen Shepherd, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have commanded Your called ministers of Christ to absolve those who repent of their sins. Therefore, upon this, your confession, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

WORD

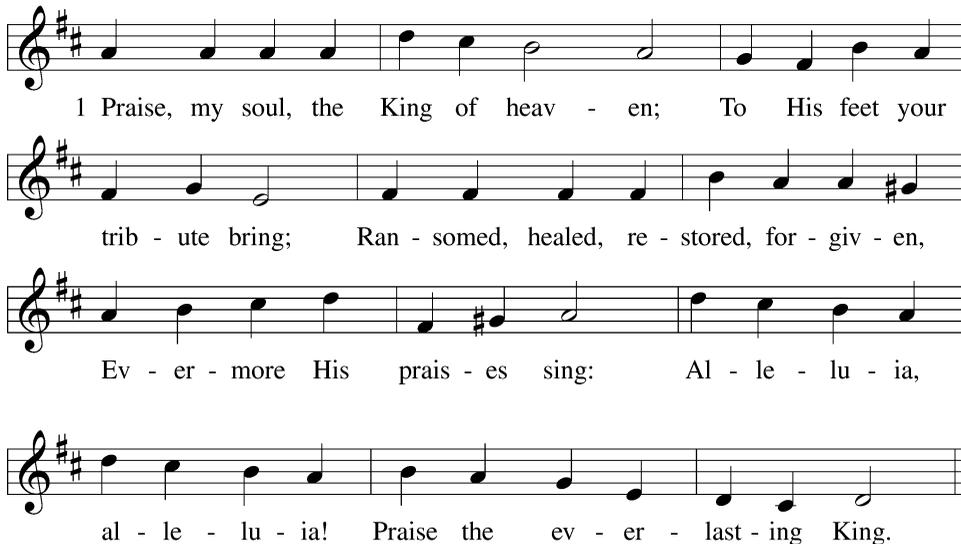
INTROIT

- P** You open your hand;
C you satisfy the desire of every living thing.
P Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
C make melody to our God on the lyre!
P He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;
C he makes grass grow on the hills.
P He gives to the beasts their food,
C and to the young ravens that cry.
P His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
C nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,
P but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
C in those who hope in his steadfast love.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
P You open your hand;
C you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

KYRIE

- C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet your
trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, for You have not abandoned Your creation but have sent Your Son to be our Shepherd and our righteousness. Give us the strength of faith to follow Him who calls us by name that we may dwell in safety as Your redeemed people now and forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, and our eternal King, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 23:1–6

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. Therefore 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. Then 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. I 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. “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. In 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.’”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 2:11–22

“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— 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. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in

his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE

P Alleluia. Man ate of the bread of the angels;

C **He sent them food in abundance. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 6:30–44

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

“The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And 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. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When 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. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” But 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?” And 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.” Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. And 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. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY #644 “The Church’s One Foundation”

SERMON “He is Our Peace” Ephesians 2:11-22

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with Your Word—Your Holy Commandments, Your Holy Scriptures, but above all, with Your Holy Word made flesh, Your only-begotten Son to be our Good Shepherd, our Savior, our Lord, and our King. Receive our praise for the gift of Your salvation and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P [*Petitions....*] Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY LSB 192

- C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free
Spirit. Amen.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE

- 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 Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who comes to us as our Good Shepherd to lead and guide us and feed us with His own precious body and blood in this Sacrament. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS “Oh, Holy, Holy Is The Lord” (Tune: “Praise God From Whom...”)

- 1** Oh, holy, holy is the Lord, The God by heav’n and earth adored.
We join the angels in their song, Their glorious praises to prolong.
- 2** How blest is He, the coming One, Lord Jesus Christ, God’s only Son,
Hosanna with galactic space, Sing we, saved only by His grace.

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WORDS OF OUR LORD

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

PAX DOMINI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

AGNUS DEI LSB 163

- C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

#711 Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us #570 Just As I Am

“Lord, Be Glorified”

**In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
In my song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my song, Lord, be glorified today.
In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In Your church, Lord,
Be glorified today.**

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- P** Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

BENEDICTION

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 “Shine On Us” Michael & Deborah Smith

Pastor:(sung) “Lord, let Your light, light of Your face, shine on us....
Let Your grace, grace from Your hand, fall on us.”

**Cong:(sung) “Lord, let Your love, love without end come over us.
Lord, let Your love, love without end come over us.
That we may be saved, that we may have life to find our way
In the darkest night. Let Your love come over us.”**

Pastor only: Let Your light shine on us.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

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Reader Today: Kathy Hammar

PRAYER LIST: Jacque Juergens, hip rep.surg.7/22; Naomi, cancer (niece of K.Hammar); Harold Holtz, cancer treatments; Marcy West (Daughter-in-Law of DeAnn & Phillip West), cancer treatments; John Jamieson, cancer, hospice; Deedee Halterman, lung cancer, sister-in-law of Maggie Halterman; Lyle Powelson, cancer, hospice; Tom Stettler, Southern Utah Veterans Home; the homebound.

BIRTHDAYS

July 23 Beth Reineking	July 24 Sandy Copeland
July 24 Kim Gohlinghorst	July 24 Serene Webb
July 26 Norene Gorder	July 27 Mai Hachler
July 29 Sheri Asay	July 30 Norris Fullmer

ANNIVERSARIES

July 18 Juls & Helen Gerads July 19 Bill McKeaque & Mary Jacobsen
July 20 Fred & Bonnie Koopman July 30 Jim & Roberta Hinson

We are preparing plans for the remodel of our Memorial Garden. If you would like to help out with the planning and be a part of our **MEMORIAL GARDEN COMMITTEE**, please let Pastor or Andrea Meckley know.

10 a.m. service available online at our Facebook page (live and recorded - @MesquiteLCC). You do not need a Facebook account to view. Go to facebook.com/MesquiteLCC/live

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

More people are needed to help with **ushering** and to **clean the church** each week. Jim Hammar coordinates ushering. Please call him at 702-346-2632. Bob Sennett coordinates cleaning schedule. Please call him at 801-414-8324 for more information.

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