



As We Gather The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Aug. 1, 2021

Bread, in one form or another, is a diet staple in most every culture. Though today we can be overwhelmed at the grocery store with countless types and styles, even in its simplest form, bread continues to sustain stomachs in a variety of ways. Bread, or the simplest form of manna, is what the Lord would use to sustain His people in the wilderness, and the image of bread is what He would use to help people understand the greater gift He came to give in His own Son. Yet, more than sustaining a diet for this body and life, Jesus, the bread of life, has come to serve us salvation, sustain our souls, and feed us with His forgiveness.

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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 Adagio Cantabile - Beethoven

WELCOME

PREPARATION

BLESSED JESUS, LIVING BREAD



1 Bless-ed Je - sus, liv - ing bread, By Your self our
2 To the house of bread You came, There re - ceived Your
3 Not by this world's bread a - lone Can our life be -
4 We are in that crowd You fed With Your blest, a -



souls are fed: Give us all the eyes to see
sav - ing name; From that low - ly man - ger bed
come full - grown, But by ev - 'ry word that goes
bun - dant bread. Moved by ev - 'ry hu - man care,



All that You were sent to be.
All the dy - ing world is fed.
From the mouth of God— one grows.
Bless the bread we eat and share.

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INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Exodus 16:12; John 6:26–27

P “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread.

C Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’”

P Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

C Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life,

P which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set His seal.”

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

John 6:33, 35; 1 John 1:9

- P** Jesus is the bread of life, come down from heaven to give life to the world.
- C** **Lord, we hunger for Your presence.**
- P** If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- C** **Lord, we hunger for Your forgiveness.**
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father,
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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.**
- P** In the wilderness of this world we forget Your presence.
- C** **We grumble and complain about Your provision.**
- P** We focus too often on our wants and needs of this world.
- C** **We fail to rejoice in the daily giving of Your grace and mercy.**
- P** 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.
- C** **Lord, we hunger for You. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. “For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. . . . Jesus said, ‘I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst.’” As a called and ordained servant of Christ, the bread of life, 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** **Lord, You fill us with forgiveness. Amen.**

WORD

INTROIT

- P** With upright heart he shepherded them
- C** **and guided them with his skillful hand.**
- P** He commanded the skies above
- C** **and opened the doors of heaven,**
- P** and he rained down on them manna to eat
- C** **and gave them the grain of heaven.**

- P** Man ate of the bread of the angels;
C he sent them food in abundance.
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** With upright heart he shepherded them
C and guided them with his skillful hand.

KYRIE

- P** O Lord, whose Word is like fire and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces,
C have mercy on us.
- P** O Christ, who is the founder and perfecter of our faith,
C have mercy on us.
- P** O Lord, who kindles a fire of love among all the peoples of the earth,
C have mercy on us, and grant us Your peace. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE LSB 790

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!**

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.
Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 16:2–15

The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread

to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. And the LORD said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’” In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 4:1–16

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager 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 that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. Therefore it says, “When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.” (In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave

the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

VERSE John 6:35b

G Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

P I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst.

G Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 6:22–35

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

G Glory to You, O Lord.

On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking 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, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing 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, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from

heaven to eat.” Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who 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 shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY #918 “ Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer”

SERMON “First Things First” John 6:22-35

THE APOSTLE’S 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.

Ever-present Lord, in this world, a place of sin and wilderness, You give us what we need to sustain our bodies and lives. Greater than anything, You sent Your Son from heaven to be the bread of life that we never hunger for grace and forgiveness. We humbly ask You to be with us, sustain us, lead us, and guide us through this land all our days. 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 Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

- 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 proper that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who fed Your children in the wilderness with manna from heaven and feed us today with bread from heaven, the Living Bread, Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 LSB 178

Holy, holy, holy Lord. Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

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 198

- C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Wonderful, Merciful Savior – Rodgers & Wyse – soloist: Christine Constien
#712 Seek Ye First #770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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 John 6:26–27a; Numbers 6:24–26

- P** Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.
- C** Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you.”
- 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 # 643 “ Sent Forth By God’s Blessing”

**Altar flowers today are given by Jim & Roberta Hinson
In honor of their 55th anniversary, July 30th.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS POSTLUDE

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Reader Today: Jim Hinson

NOTE: Worship on August 8 will be at 8:30 a.m.

PRAYER LIST: Ernie Duncker, hospital; Scott Asay, surgery 8/5; Jacque Juergens, surg. recovery; Naomi, cancer (niece of K.Hammar); 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

Aug. 1 Barbara Reed	Aug. 5 Alice Caldwell	Aug. 9 Ryan Bruehl
Aug. 10 Barry Collins	Aug. 12 Genese Olson	Aug. 15 John Lembke
Aug. 18 Hap Stuart	Aug. 21 Madge Larson	Aug. 23 Judy Kramer
Aug. 24 Shelley Rasmussen	Aug. 25 Gaylord Mickelsen	Aug. 27 Patti Jones
Aug. 27 Steve Webb	Aug. 29 Bill Goble	

ANNIVERSARIES

Aug. 1 Nicholas & Beverley Medina	Aug. 2 David & Nancy Martin
Aug. 16 Roger & Jan Crouch	Aug. 16 Jeff & Andrea Meckley
Aug. 20 Bill & Karen Warner	Aug. 23 Fritz & Barbara Reed
Aug. 31 Michael & Ann Scott	

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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