

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 2020

+PREPARATION+

WELCOME

AS WE GATHER

We face so many arguments about food these days. Go organic. Go gluten free. Go low carb. Go vegan. Go GMO free. Our culture is deeply concerned about what sort of food we put in our bodies, because the old saying “you are what you eat” is fairly accurate. While what sort of food we put into our bodies is an important concern, Jesus compels us to make another kind of food an even higher priority than the food we chew and digest. Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Jesus feeds five thousand people, thereby revealing that He is the Word of God Incarnate, the food that feeds more than our stomachs. Jesus feeds our souls. This was foreseen by the prophet Isaiah who wrote, “Come, everyone who thirsts . . . incline your ear, and come to Me; hear, that your soul may live.” The food we put into our bodies is important. Even more important is to gather in church for food that feeds the soul!

OPENING HYMN LSB 710 “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

L: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

L: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth**

L: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

L: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

L: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: Amen.

+WORD+

INTROIT *Psalm 105:39–43; antiphon: Psalm 105:1*

L: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name;
make known His deeds among the peoples!

**C: He spread a cloud for a covering,
and fire to give light by night.**

L: They asked, and He brought quail,
and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.

**C: He opened the rock, and water gushed out;
it flowed through the desert like a river.**

L: For He remembered His holy promise,
and Abraham, His servant.

**C: So He brought His people out with joy,
His chosen ones with singing.**

**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.**

L: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name;
make known His deeds among the peoples!

GLORIA PATRI (sung)

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.**

KYRIE (sung)

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have
mercy upon us.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (sung)

C: Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good-will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav`nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray:

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sung) Amen.

FIRST READING *Isaiah 55:1-5*

L: This is the word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

THE EPISTLE *Romans 9:1-5*

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God

VERSE (sung)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 14:13-21*

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fourteenth chapter,

C(sung) Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

After the reading:

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (sung) Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY LSB 547 “ The Lamb”

SERMON

OFFERING– Due to the current situation, if you bring an offering please leave it in the basket in the fellowship hall. If you are able and would like, you may choose to mail your offerings to the church.

OFFERTORY (sung)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- L: Relying on Your mercy, which tirelessly seeks the lost and the least and transforms the lives of sinners, we bring our prayers before You, our merciful and almighty Lord.
- L: You give the gift of adopting us into the family of the faithful of this and every generation. Enable the Church in this and every place to be a blessing to the communities in which we live. Empower pastors to preach the Word with power, teachers to teach the Word with wisdom, and all believers to serve our neighbors in love. Bless The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod that walking together our voices give a clear, spirited, and compassionate witness to the gifts of God in Christ to this hungry world. We give thanks for adopting us as Your sons and daughters as we cry,
- C: O Lord, hear our prayer.**
- L: You give abundant promises to calm us in the midst of anxiety and trouble. Guide all who govern to do so with reverence, impartiality, and compassion. Watch over our military personnel in harm's way, and make Your comforting presence known to their families. Protect innocent people in war-torn nations. Preserve us from acts of terrorism. Reconcile us with our enemies. We give thanks for Your hope-sustaining promises as we cry
- C: O Lord, hear our prayer.**
- L: You give the gift of Your presence when our faith wanes and our hope is nearly lost. Comfort all who are experiencing anxiety, all who are sick, all who are dying, and all who are mourning, [*including . . .*].

Help them to see that even in the midst of suffering, You are there, and You will never leave nor forsake those in trouble. We give thanks for Your glorious presence among us as we cry,

C: O Lord, hear our prayer.

L: You give the food that sustains both our bodies and souls. Bless the labor of all who set their hands to useful tasks. Calm the hearts of the unemployed and underemployed. Grant that our land will produce an abundant harvest of goods and services that will bless many. Guide our stewardship of the gifts You entrust to us. We give thanks for Your gracious provision as we cry,

C: O Lord, hear our prayer.

L: You give the invitation to bring everything to You in prayer. We entrust these prayers to You, relying on the promise and trusting in Your gracious and merciful disposition toward us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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,

(sung) **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER RESPONSE “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

Hear our pray’r, O Lord;

Hear our pray’r, O Lord;

Incline Thine ear to us and grant us Thy peace.

SALUTATION and BENEDECTION

L: The Lord be with you.

C: (sung) **And with thy spirit.**

L: Bless we the Lord:

C: (sung) **Thanks be to God.**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and +give you peace.

C: (sung) **Amen, amen, amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN LSB 917 “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

SILENT PRAYER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, August 4, 2020 – Communion Service with Pastor Black.

Birthdays for August

Patrick Wilson – August 5

Kevin Ellison – August 8

Susie Matyniak – August 9

Tristan Antoine - August 24

Brian O'Dell - August 8

Marie Mathes – August 9

Joyce Sprague - August 18

Casey Carney – August 28

Anniversaries for August

None this month

New address for the Burgess family

6905 Cheddar Valley Drive,
Brighton, Michigan 48116

Just a reminder:

The Altar Guild has greeting cards for sale in the fellowship hall.

Cost is \$6.00 a box or a single card for \$.25

Monthly financial information for June, 2020

Collections - \$5,108.00

Expenses - \$1,378.36

Difference - \$3,729.64