



St. Mary's Lutheran Church ~ Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Saturday, August 16th~ 4:00pm & Sunday, August 17th~ 9:00am
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ◊ *Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.*
- ◊ *Turn off phones or silence them.*
- ◊ *Also know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! This is Christ's table and His invitation. You do not need to be a Lutheran, or a member of our church to participate. Also, if you wish to come up for only a blessing, please tell us when you approach, and we will bless you! If you are unable to come up for communion, tell the usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat, and someone will bring it to you.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand in body or spirit.

GATHERING SONG

Hymn #461 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,

**you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✝ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF THE DAY (see insert)

PLEASE BE SEATED

WORD (see insert)

FIRST READING: GENESIS 50:15-21

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

ELW Pg. 101 "This is the Feast"

PSALM 103:1-13 (*read responsively*)

SECOND READING: ROMANS 14:1-12

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew the 18th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PLEASE BE SEATED

SERMON MESSAGE

Please stand in body or spirit.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn #812 "Faith of Our Fathers"

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Receive our prayers, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

PLEASE BE SEATED

MEAL

MUSICAL OFFERING

"Canon of Praise", "Kanon" by Johann Pachelbel, arr. Hal Hopson

All within me bless the Lord, all within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, All within me, bless his holy name.

O hear, you righteous, know that the Lord is good. With truth with hope, he crowns with hope and truth.

God the Lord is gracious, his mercy is the same forever. As a father loves his children so the Lord loves his own.

Those who love the Lord shall claim his ever-present help. Bless the Lord, O my soul, All within me, bless his holy name.

OFFERING *Please stand in body or spirit*

Hymn #655 "Son of God, Eternal Savior" vs. 1,2

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE It is indeed right ...join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (HOLY, HOLY, HOLY)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

***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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

PLEASE BE SEATED

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG



DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Please stand in body or spirit.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✝ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

DISMISSAL

Hymn #515 "Break Now the Bread of Life"

We are God's people.
Followers of Jesus Christ.
Gifted by the Spirit.

Go Pray. Go Love. Go Serve. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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SUPPLY PASTOR: REV. DAVID REBEY, BREAKING THE
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ASSISTING MINISTERS: TIM SOMERS
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CHERYL HAYES

SPECIAL MUSIC: PATRICIA MASON, BETH KERSCHER,
LAURA MIESBAUER; DEB BLACK, ACCOMPANIST

*The centerpiece altar arrangement is in celebration of
our 50th wedding anniversary by Dan & Kathy
Neururer. The two side arrangements are given in
recognition of my baptism on August 17th by
Dick Sjoerdsma.*