



St. Mary's Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Saturday, August 22nd at 4:00pm & Sunday, August 23rd at 9:00am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

A chime will sound before the prelude as an indicator that service is about to begin. Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. Turn off phones or silence them. And, please know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! Christ is present and you are welcome! Young children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. We offer gluten-free and regular wafers, grape juice and wine options. If you are unable to come forward, please remain seated and tell the ushers you'd like communion in your seat and it will be brought to you. The ushers will direct all during communion.



Saturday

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

(refer to the booklet)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (see yellow insert)

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 138 (read responsively)

SECOND READING: ROMANS 12:1-8

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew the 16th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON

MEAL

Please stand in body or spirit

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Please be seated

COMMUNION

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. Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

HOLDEN CONTINUES (continue to use the booklet)

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Sunday

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please stand in body or spirit.

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

*we confess to you all our sins.*

*Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.*

*In your mercy, call us back to you.*

*Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.*

*Restore us to dwell in your peace.*

*In Christ's name we pray, Amen.*

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG** Hymn #655 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

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**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.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20**

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew the 16th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## SERMON

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**HYMN OF THE DAY** Hymn #652 "Built on a Rock" vs. 1, 3, 5

## 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

Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please be seated

## MEAL

## OFFERING

## MUSICAL OFFERING

"How Great Thou Art" - Patricia Mason, soloist; Deb Black, accompanist

Please stand in body or spirit

**OFFERING** Hymn #712 "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" vs. 1

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. **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'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
san-na in the high-est, 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

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### COMMUNION

#### COMMUNION SONG



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.

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMN Hymn #592 "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

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

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#### BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

#### SENDING SONG Hymn #596 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

#### DISMISSAL

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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