

Luther Memorial Church

## **Holy Communion**

PENTECOST 12 SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 | 10:30 AM

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

Welcome!

#### PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

#### **HYMNAL**

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

#### **RESOURCES**

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

#### **CHILDCARE**

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed today.

#### **LEARN MORE**

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www.
   luthermem.org or Facebook

**PRELUDE** Priere à Notre Dame from Suite Gothique | Leon Boëllmann

#### **GATHERING**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. 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. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.#673 PROCESSIONAL HYMN God, Whose Almighty Word

#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### **GLORIA**



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord of all: in the crucified arms of your Son, you embrace the whole creation. By his example, empower us to embrace the world with his selfless compassion, that your gracious and loving rule may enfold the whole earth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

#### WORD

Please sit.

#### FIRST READING Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant — these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 67

The antiphon is sung first by the choir and then by all.





Psalm Tone



May God be merciful to | us and bless us;

may the light of God's face | shine upon us.

## Let your way be known | upon earth,

your saving health a- | mong all nations.

Let the peoples praise | you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

## Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the na- | tions on earth.

Let the peoples praise | you, O God;

let all the | peoples praise you.

## The earth has brought | forth its increase;

God, our own | God, has blessed us.

May God | give us blessing,

and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe. (Antiphon sung by all)

#### SECOND READING Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but

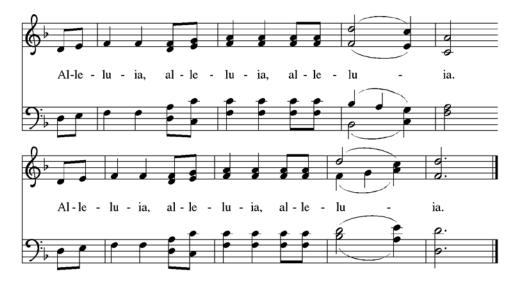
have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

The word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Choir: Jesus preached the good news of the kingdom and cured every sickness among the people.

#### GOSPEL Matthew 15:10-28

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their

masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

**SERMON** 

Please stand.

**#587 HYMN OF THE DAY** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Stanza 1 sung by choir, stanzas 2-4 sung by all

#### **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

... Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.

MEAL

Please sit. **OFFERING** 

**MUSIC AT THE OFFERING** Let all the People Praise You, O God | Andreas Hammerschmidt (*The text is a paraphrase of Psalm 67, vs. 4–7*)

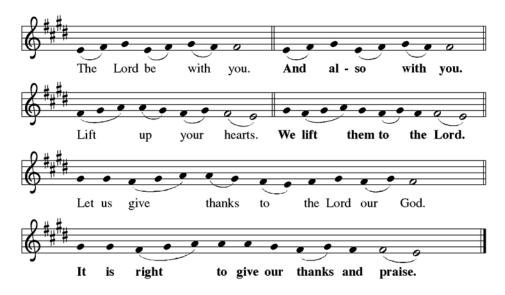
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#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

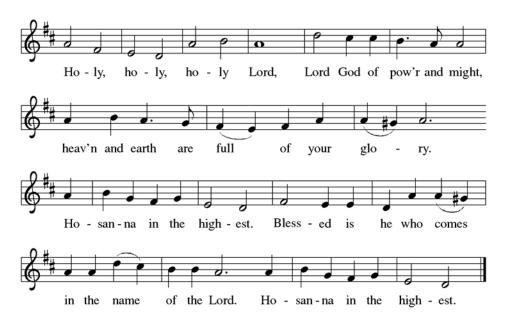
Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



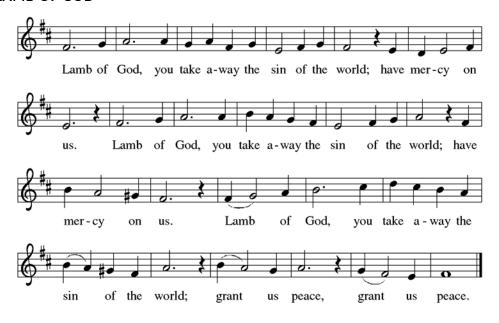
## LORD'S PRAYER





#### Please sit.

#### LAMB OF GOD



## THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread\*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice.

\*Gluten-free bread is available on request.

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**#716** Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

**#501** Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus

Please stand.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## **SENDING**

## **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.

#434 RECESSIONAL HYMN Jesus Shall Reign

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Präludium et Fuga in C Major (BWV 531) | Johann Sebastian Bach

# TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

O God — when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; when I have work, help me to remember the jobless; when I have a warm home, help me to remember the homeless; when I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer; and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency, and bestir my compassion. Make me concerned enough to help, by word and deed, those who cry out - for what we take for granted. Amen.

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Anonymous

## **SERVING TODAY**

PRESIDER Pastor Emily Tveite

PREACHER Pastor John Worzala Dumke

ORGANIST Andrew Schaeffer

ACOLYTE Alex Thiele

**ASSISTING MINISTER** 

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS** Judy Braham, Phyllis Pleuss, John Pleuss

**CRUCIFER** Brian Uphoff

LECTOR Heidi Notbohm

SACRISTAN Mary Powell

AUDIO Bill Braham

VIDEO Lee Powell

**HEAD USHER** Bob Uphoff

**USHERS** Chris Uphoff, Jeff Van Fleet

Our thanks to Rolf Wulfsberg, violin, and Margret Bradley, oboe, for playing this morning.

Altar flowers are given by Bruce & Alica Curtis in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary.

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