## **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

# St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson 8:30AM • August 15, 2021

**Prelude** *Pianist, Debbi St. John* 

#### Welcome and Announcements

**Greeting** (please stand as you are able)

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come!

#### **Confession and Forgiveness:**

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

- C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, & make us new.
- P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: "Morning Has Broken" #556

- Vs. 1: Morning has broken like the first morning, Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

  Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!
- Vs. 2: Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from Heaven, Like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.
- Vs. 3: Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning, Born of the one light Eden saw play. Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning, God's re-creation of the new day!

**Prayer of the Day:** P: Let us pray.

C: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

First Reading - Proverbs 9:1-6 <sup>1</sup>Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup>She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup>She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town. <sup>4</sup>"You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, <sup>5</sup>"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup>Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.

**Gospel Acclamation:** "Thy Word" (Stand as you are able)

Refrain: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path.

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Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58 [Jesus said,] <sup>51</sup>"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." <sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

P: This is the Word of our Lord, C: Thanks be to God.

#### Children's Message

**Sermon** Pastor Eric Hanson

### Hymn of the Day: "Around You, O Lord Jesus" #468

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- Vs 1: Around you, O Lord Jesus, your own you gather still to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill. You say to us so lovingly, "Take, eat! This is my body! Take, drink! This is my blood!"
- Vs 2: We hear your invitation, and heed, O Lord, your call; your word of consolation is spoken here to all. It draws us to your loving heart; it brings to us your blessing, which never will depart.
- Vs 3: We are your own forever; until our final breath we will be true and never in joy, in grief, in death depart from you, for you are still among your people dwelling, as you have said you will.
- 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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **The Prayers:** (call and response)

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence*. God of wisdom, enlighten your church. Guide theologians, biblical scholars, authors, and seminary professors as they seek greater knowledge and invite others into deeper understanding. Teach us to ask faithful questions and open our minds to new ideas. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

God of creation, mend the earth. Cool warming oceans and preserve melting ice caps. Increase our awareness of changing climate patterns and reveal new approaches to the ecological challenges we face. Shield those in the path of hurricanes or tropical storms. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

God of all nations, direct our leaders. Grant them courage to lay aside political grudges and renew their determination to address difficult conflicts. Guide them in the work of reconciliation. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

God of compassion, tend to the wounded. Rescue those tormented by mental illness or mired in addiction. Ease the anxiety of those struggling with dementia. Come quickly to help all who are grieving and all those who suffer especially; Gabriel Ryan, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Dean Kirkland, Finley Budensiek, Sue Majerus, Connie Ludwig, Joe Melson, Sara Nolte, Mark Jacobson, Doug & Charlotte Hindal and Pat Ferkin. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of beauty, inspire artists. Bless those whose visual and musical gifts enliven this assembly. Bless the creative work of poets, hymn writers, composers, painters, sculptors, and others that enrich our worship and daily life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

God of resurrection, bring us to new life. Give us the living bread from heaven through which we abide in your love, and on the last day raise us with all the saints to eternal life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Sharing the Peace:**

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

Ushers bring offering forward.

#### Offertory Prayer & Doxology: "Come To Me, O Weary Traveler"

- Vs 1: Come to me, O weary trav'ler; come to me with your distress; come to me, you heavy burdened; come to me and find you rest.
- Vs. 3: Take my yoke and leave your troubles; take my yoke and come with me. Take my yoke, I am beside you; take and learn humility.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

#### **Words of Institution**

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.

The Meal & Hymn: "Come, Let Us Eat" #491

- Vs. 1: Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread, come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord's body let us take together, our Lord's body let us take together.
- Vs. 2: Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. Jesus' blood poured let us drink together, Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.
- Vs 3: In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. In the presence of our Lord we gather, in the presence of our Lord we gather.
- Vs 4: Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word, rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word. Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom, Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

**Communion Prayer:** P: O God,

C: 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.

**Blessing:** (*Please stand as you are able.*)

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.** 

**Sending:** "On Our Way Rejoicing" #537

Vs. 1: On our way rejoicing gladly let us go. Christ our Lord has conquered; vanquished is the foe, Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy; who, if we be faithful, can our hope destroy?

Refrain: On our way rejoicing; as we forward move, hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!

Vs 2: Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing; unto God the Savior thankful hearts we bring; unto God the Spirit bow we and adore, on our way rejoicing now and ever-more. [Refrain]

**Dismissal:** L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Thank you Sara Strusz for leading our music this morning!

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