

# *The Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost*

**August 8, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Worship in Yard (FH)

10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary



## **Announcements**

### **Prelude**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

**help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

## \*KYRIE

*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

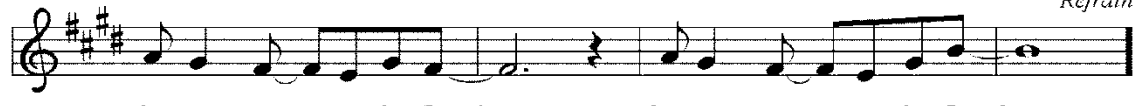
1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



*Refrain*  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

**P** *Let us pray* ... Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C** Amen

**First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8**

<sup>4</sup>Elijah went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup>Elijah looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." <sup>8</sup>Elijah got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

☐ The word of the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 34:1-8** (*To be read responsively.*)

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**<sup>2</sup>I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

**<sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

**<sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

**<sup>8</sup>Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

**Second Reading: Ephesians 4:25—5:2**

<sup>25</sup>So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are parts of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

<sup>5:1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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**Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51**

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

<sup>41</sup>Then the Judeans began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” <sup>42</sup>They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; this one has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <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.”

☐ The Gospel of the Lord. ☑ Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON**

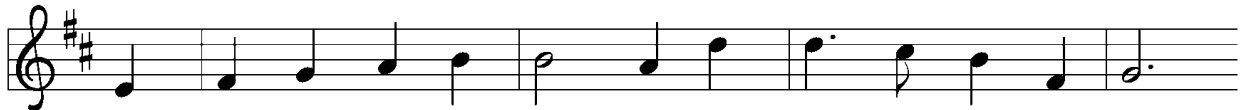
*Pastor Anamae Storbeck*



1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!  
 2 My Sav - ior, you have led me with - in your ho - liest place,  
 3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.  
 4 Oh, grant me then, well - strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here



The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.  
 and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;  
 And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.  
 my course on earth is length - ened, to serve you, free from fear;



O won - drous food of bless - ing! O cup that heals our woes!  
 for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,  
 My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,  
 and bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, in thank - ful song o'er - flows!  
 the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.  
 and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.  
 where I will ev - er raise you glad songs in end - less joy.

Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
 Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

## \*CREED

**P** Let us confess our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 THE CHURCH**

O God, Bread of life, feed the baptized with your mercy. Uphold the preachers of the church. Bless Sunday sermons, parish education, and new models of ministry, and nourish us with hymns and prayers both classic and recently composed. Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, Manna in the wilderness, protect the countless terrains that you have created. Tame the wild weather that human activity has generated. Grant healthy harvests around the globe, and provide water and shade in each wilderness. Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, you are the Staff of all life, the Corn of life, the Rice of life. Look with favor on each area of the globe, and open our hearts to the wide world you have made. Show us how to feed those who hunger, and bless world agencies of relief. Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, the Sustenance of life, lead our country and all the nations of the world out of divisive controversies and into pathways toward peace. Nurture in our elected leaders the desire for truth. Strengthen our efforts to combat the coronavirus. Guide school administrators as they plan the fall semester. Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, Cup of goodness, heal the sick and comfort those who suffer. Give a home to refugees and housing for those who have been evicted. Fill the emptiness of persons who are lonely or rejected. Empty our reservoir of prejudice. Save those we name here before you. . . .Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, Food for our journeys, accompany each of us on our ways, and in mercy hear our personal petitions. Receive our private prayers, O God: **Sustain your world, we pray.**

O God, Feast at the end of time, we praise you for all the faithful departed, especially the preacher Dominic, and those we name here before you. . . . Gather us at the end of time around your heavenly table of grace. Receive our prayers, O God: **sustain your world, we pray.**

To you, O God, Source of life, we commit all for whom we pray, confident in the promise of your saving love through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**P** The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** 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.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

**P** Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

**Communion Hymn**

*I Am the Bread of Life*

*ELW # 485*

Leader or All

1 "I am the Bread of life. You who  
 2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my  
 3 "Un - less . . . . . you . . . . . eat of the  
 4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . . . .  
 5 Yes, Lord, . . . . . I be - lieve that . . . . .

come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -  
 flesh for the life of the world, . . . . . and if you  
 flesh of the Son of Man . . . . . and . . . . .  
 I . . . . . am the life. . . . . If you be -  
 you . . . . . are the Christ, . . . . . the . . . . .

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
 eat . . . . . of this bread, you shall . . . live for -  
 drink . . . . . of his blood, and drink . . . . . of his  
 lieve . . . . . in . . . . . me, e - ven . . . though you  
 Son . . . . . of . . . . . God, who . . . . . have . . . . .

me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."  
 ev - er, . . . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 blood, you shall not have life with - in you."  
 die, . . . . . you shall live for - ev - er."  
 come in - to . . . . . the . . . . . world. . . . .

*Refrain*

All

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6  
 Music: Suzanne Toolan, RSM  
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I AM THE BREAD  
 Irregular



## Post Communion Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

### \*SENDING SONG

### *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

ELW # 551



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
joy like seed and, all our days, to  
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream and help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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## Blessing

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

## Postlude

## Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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**Today's Altar Flowers** are placed to the Glory of God by The McGraw Family in memory of Steve McGraw.

### **Serving God and Us**

Our Pastor – Rev. Traci Marriott  
Our Pianist/Organist – Dr. Adam Smith/Mary Nelson  
Our Administrative Assistant – Lori Tremmel  
Our Assistant Administrative Assistant – Laura Orczeck  
Our Sexton – Bill Brown  
Our Audio/Video Tech – Camden Kuster  
Our Offering Counters – Jim Barley, Beth Garner

### **Second Quarter Ventures in Faith to “Youth & Camping”**



### **Help Wanted!**

The Property Committee of St. Matthew is seeking either volunteer or temporary paid help for church cleaning of the Sanctuary, Narthex, Fellowship Hall, and restrooms during our Sexton, Bill Brown's convalescence from recent surgery. This position can become permanent as a paid assistant to the Sexton. If you are interested either as a volunteer or a temporary paid worker, please contact the church office at 814 793-2413 Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12: 00 p.m.

### **Martinsburg Food Pantry**

Volunteers from the Martinsburg Mennonite Church will be helping to distribute food on Thursday, August 19 from 9:00 until 11:00a.m. along with the regular volunteers. If any of you harvest more vegetables or fruit than you can use, please share with the Food Pantry on the dates it is open. When you are shopping, remember we are collecting school supplies, which can be placed in the school box in the narthex.

**Items most needed for August:** Beverages, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta Sides, Paper towels.  
***Many thanks for your donations!***

**Welcome Pastor Anamae Smith Storbeck** as our guest preacher today. Pastor Anamae was baptized and confirmed at St. Matthew together with a lot of Smith cousins among other sisters and brothers in Christ. She is the daughter of Donald and the late Mary Acker Smith. Anamae recently returned from Texas to live in Martinsburg. She is currently on the retired clergy roster of the Southwestern Texas Synod and holds degrees from Trinity Lutheran Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry in Rural Evangelism and Mission from the Austin Presbyterian Seminary.



## Supplies for Food Pantry (K-5)

We'll be collecting school supplies to give children going back to school in August and September. Please look for items when you shop and place them in the "school bus" at church in the Narthex.

Markers & Highlighters

Large erasers

Colored Pencils

Glue sticks

12 pack of #2 Pencils

Wide Ruled Notebooks

Crayola Crayons (24 colors)

## Share the Harvest



The "Share the Harvest" table is up and running. In the months to come, if you have extra fruit or vegetables to share with members of the congregation, please bring your items and place them on a table in the Narthex. Members will be able to help themselves to items as desired. Any remaining produce after Sunday morning will be given away at the discretion of the donor.

*"Let us share God's harvest with others."*

## Office Hours This Week:

Pastor Traci – Wednesday, 1-4 pm

Office Hours all week are 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Lori/Laura)

## This Week Events

Tuesday – Council Meeting via Zoom 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday – Yoga 5:00 p.m.

## Worship Schedule Change for August

In August, we will offer two Sunday services each week.

**9AM Worship Outside**—Full Sung Liturgy of Word & Sacrament (Communion)

In case of rain, the service will move to the Fellowship Hall and will be a spoken liturgy.

**10:30AM Worship in the Sanctuary**—Full Spoken Liturgy of Word & Sacrament (Communion)

This will be the recorded and live-streamed service.

**Sunday, August 29 10:30 AM** Worship Service at the **Kreider Farm** with brown bag lunch to follow.

**Inside or outside**, masks are optional for those who are fully vaccinated and required for those who are not fully vaccinated.

**Prayers are needed for our homebound:** Shirley Acker, Carl & Dawn Alexy, John Aljets, Vivian Beach, Verna Blough, Fred Brandenburg, Clyde Claycomb, Betty Helsel, Jere Hess, Gerald Hoover, Audrey Hite, Ruth Johnson, Janet Kreider, Ginny Sell, Dan Sinal, Don Smith, Joy Williams.

**Prayer Concerns:** Carl Alexy, Amy & Family, Pastor Denise Arpino, Cindy Barnes, Randy Barrett, Bill Brown, Diane Cappel, Dwight Ciccotelli, Greg Comer, Brian Fleck, Jim Fritz, George Gilbert Sr., Bob Guyer, Dan Hershberger, Doris Hershberger, Marilyn Horton, Justin Karol, Dan Kensinger, Anna Klepser, Darren Kreutzer, Theo Lardieri, Dave Lehman, Cathy Loose, Karrie McCall & Family, Chuck McGeary, Jeff McFarland, Marjorie Marriott, Ryder McDermitt, Betty McDowell, Rick McIntyre, Nathan, Aunt Mica, Murtle Miller, Anthony Pedone, Deb Peters, Paul Ruth, Barbara Smith, Luther Steele, Cindy Thomas, Dan Tremmel, Carol Weyandt, Pete Williams, Jody Zelanko, and for our **Missionaries: Rev. Lesley Hand, On Eagle's Wings, Elizabeth Hendrickson.**

**Our college students:** Christopher Bush, Olivia Day, Jacob Orczeck.

**Those Serving in the Army Overseas:** Nathan Smith (Germany)

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**Age 14 & up.....Community service hours.....Great for Seniors .....**

Volunteers are needed for greeting visitors at the main entrance of the Lutheran Home of Hollidaysburg. This is a seated position in our front lobby, separate from the resident living area. Your duties will include greeting visitors as they enter, signing them in and taking their temperature. This is a calm environment, so bring along a book or your hobby to enjoy in between visitors. We will work with your schedule, in time intervals that suit you! There is a need between 9am-6pm, 7 days a week but especially have a need for weekends.

Please call Jennifer Helsley 814-696-4530 if interested.

### **Readings for the Week:**

**Monday** Psalm 81. **Tuesday** (commemoration of Lawrence, deacon, martyr, 258) 2 Peter 3:14-18. **Wednesday** (commemoration of Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, 1253) Jeremiah 31:1-6. **Thursday** Psalm 34:9-14. **Friday** (commemoration of Florence Nightingale, 1910; Clara Maass, 1901; renewers of society) Romans 16:17-20;. **Saturday** (commemoration of Maximilian Kolbe, 1941; Kaj Munk, 1944; martyrs) John 4:7-26. **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost** Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 34:1-9; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58; or **Mary, Mother of Our Lord** Isaiah 61:7-11; Psalm 34:9-14; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 1:46-55.