# St. John Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill July 25, 2021 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Please tune to 87.9 FM



#### \*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.** 

#### \*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.

### Silence is kept for reflection.

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.** 

\*GATHERING HYMN

O How He Loves You and Me!

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#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING 2 KINGS 4:42-44

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD. The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God.** 

RESPONSIVE READING PSALM 145:10-18

- <sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.
- <sup>11</sup>They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,
- <sup>12</sup>that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- <sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.
- <sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.
- <sup>15</sup>The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.
- <sup>16</sup>You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- <sup>17</sup>You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.
- <sup>18</sup>You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

SECOND READING EPHESIANS 3:14-21

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go

\*GOSPEL JOHN 6:1-21

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus

went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all.  $^{11}$ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." <sup>15</sup>When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going. The Word of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Kris Brower

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

Christ, Be Our Light (v 1, 2, 5)

**ELW#715** 

## \*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

Each petition of the prayers ends with the following response:

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

\*PEACE

#### \*OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.** 

#### \*DIALOGUE

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

\*SANCTUS p 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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. Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: 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,

#### \*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Now may these precious gifts of Christ's body and blood strengthen you and keep you in God's grace this day. **Amen** 

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.** 

#### \*BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, 

→ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

\*SENDING HYMN

I Know That My Redeemer Lives! (v 1, 8)

**ELW#619** 

#### \*DISMISSAL

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

# Special Called Congregational Meeting & Second Vote Next Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00AM



Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Brandy Moehlmann in loving memory of Clarence & Shirley's anniversary.



#### **Our Church Family:**

**Mavis Smith** Janice Cordova Sydney Wagner Florence Bentke Ella Ruemke Clarence Witt Gilbert Spinn Helen Gaskamp **Emery Schulze** Verna Mae Sefcik Cynthia Wilson Linda King Tom Bentke Jerry Randermann Mary Ann Luce Connie Seward

Justin Reuter Dorothy Wiesepape Charles "Dutch" Schulze

Marvin Haevischer Marjorie Hohlt Mary Longhofer Clarence Moehlmann A.G. "Doc" & Allene Holtkamp Peggy & Milton Bosse John & Carol Haarmeyer

**Those celebrating baptismal anniversaries:** Barnay Glaesmann, Zachary Wagner, Mary Ann Luce, Johnny Randermann, Karson Herrmann, Marvin Wellmann, Kailea Kuecker, Cullen Grote

Those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Barnay & Connie Glaesmann

#### Friends & Family:

Blake Bates
Carol Lieber
Christy Dallmeyer
Dottie Ringwald
Holly Haarmeyer Rodriquez
Jayme Remmelts
John Tuefel
Kathy Schrader
Marge Shaw
Shannon Wellmann

Please notify the church office of any prayer request by simply writing a note on the back of your attendance card. Thank you!

Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>

6:30AM-8:00AM Food Pantry

9:00AM Quilting

# Next Sunday, August 1st

NALC/LCMC Pastor Martin Moore & NALC Pastor Kris Brower

8:00AM Indoor Worship Service

9:00AM Special Called Meeting & Congregational Vote

10:05AM Indoor Worship Service

Hello Everyone! We are back! The basket for our brave Military is back with some cards ready for y'all to write your messages.



Grammy's Cookie Convoy is back up and running as well.

With the coming month being a time for showing our heroic troops our appreciation, please fill that basket quickly. If you have extra cards, bring them so others can share. Also, if you can donate a few dollars for postage they would really appreciate that. That was one of the problems during the pandemic---getting anything overseas.

Phyllis Bickham

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