

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the $\cdot\text{I}\cdot$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Kyrie

- P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
C Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Confession & Absolution

- P** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**
- P** Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John: "I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven on account of Jesus' name."
- C** Amen.

Opening Hymn

10,000 Reasons



Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul.



Wor-ship His ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be - fore,



O my soul. I'll wor-ship Your ho - ly name.



The sun comes up; it's a new day dawn - ing.
You're rich in love and You're slow to an - ger.
And on that day when my strength is fail - ing,



It's time to sing Your song a - gain. What -
Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For
the end draws near and my time has come,



ev - er may pass and what ev - er lies be - fore me,
all Your goodness I will keep on sing - ing,
still my soul will sing your praise un - end - ing,



let me be sing - ing when the eve - ning comes. (Bless the)
ten thou - sand rea - sons for my heart to find. (Bless the)
ten thou - sand years and then for - ev - er - more. (Bless the)

- P** You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- C** **Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!**
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!
- P** Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!
- C** **The young lions suffer want and hunger;**
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 19:1–8

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.” ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Ephesians 4:17–5:2

¹⁷This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do

not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon Hymn

By Grace Alone

Out of the depths I cry to You; Lord, hear my voice of
 Your par-don is a gift of love; Your grace a-lone must
 Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more a-

plead-ing. Bend down Your gra-cious ear, I pray, Your hum-ble
 save us. Our works will not re-move our guilt; the strict-est
 bound-eth. His help-ing love no lim-it knows; our ut-most

ser-vant heed-ing. If You re-mem-ber each mis-
 life would fail us. Let none in deeds or mer-its
 need it sound-eth. Our kind and faith-ful Shep-herd

deed, and of each thought and word take heed, who can re-
 boast, but let us own the Ho-ly Ghost, for He a-
 He, who will set all His peo-ple free from all their

main be-fore You? On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.
 lone can change us: On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.
 sin and sor-row: On-ly by grace, by grace a-lone.

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Holy Gospel

John 6:35–51

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone

who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Prayer

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

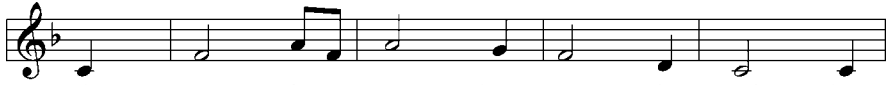
Lord's Prayer

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.

Holy Communion

Distribution Hymn #744

Amazing Grace



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!
por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.
sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton (sts. 1-4), *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790 (st. 5); tune: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829; text & tune: public domain

Distribution Hymn #638

Eat This Bread

Refrain



Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to Him and nev-er be hun - gry.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in Him and you will not thirst.

Cantor or Choir



1 This is His bod - y giv - en for you; this is His blood that was shed for you.



2 As of-ten as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you show His death un-til He comes a-gain.



3 Eat His flesh and drink His blood, and Christ will raise you up on the Last Day.



4 An - y - one who eats this bread will live for - ev - er.

Refrain



5 If we be-lieve and eat this bread, we will have e - ter - nal life.

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Distribution Hymn

I Need Thee Every Hour



I need Thee ev - 'ry hour, most gra - cious
 I need Thee ev - 'ry hour; stay thou near
 I need Thee ev - 'ry hour, in joy or
 I need Thee ev - 'ry hour, teach me Thy
 I need Thee ev - 'ry hour, Most Ho - ly



Lord; no ten - der voice like thine can peace af -
 by; temp - ta - tions lose their pow'r when Thou art
 pain; come quick - ly and a - bide, or life is
 will; and Thy rich pro - mis - es in me ful -
 One; O make me Thine in - deed, Thou Bles - sed



ford.
 nigh.
 vain. I need thee, O I need thee; ev - 'ry hour I need thee. O
 fill.
 Son!



bless me now, my Sa - vior; I come to thee.

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Nunc Dimittis

- P** Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- C** For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
 Which You have prepared before the face of all people;
 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn #849

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



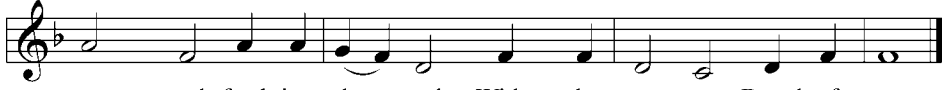
at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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Benediction

- B** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Announcements

Today

- **Bible Study** 9:15 AM Masks Optional: Adults meet in the Sanctuary; Children meet downstairs
- **Youth Confirmation** 12:15 PM – 1:00 PM
- **Sunday Evening Prayer** 5:30 PM
- **New Member Class** 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday

- **Men's Bible Study** – No meeting this week, Resumes August 17th
- **Youth Group** – 6:30- 8:00 PM

Wednesday

- **Zoom Bible Study** (*The Screwtape Letters*) 7:00 PM. Contact Aaron for a Zoom invitation.

Thursday

- **Yoga** No class this week. Resumes Aug. 19th

Saturday

- **Women of Faith Bible Study:** 9:00 AM

Mission Opportunity: Today we are taking up a freewill offering to provide the faculty and staff at Metro-East Lutheran High School with a beginning-of-the-school-year team building outing.

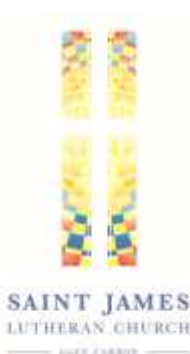
Mercy Ministries: If you are interested in becoming involved in our Madison County Elementary Schools Mission, please contact Sandy at Sandy@saintjamesglencarbon.org for kick-off meeting information.

Youth For Life: All high school students: Our first organizational meeting is August 17th at 4:30 pm at Metro-East Lutheran High School. Contact the church office, or go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4daaaf2ba2f5cf8-y4life>

National Youth Gathering: Calling all High School Students! Next July is the National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX. We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, September 12 at noon. If you are at all interested in going to the Gathering, bring a parent and come find out more. We will discuss the registration fee due date, approximate overall cost, transportation, and fundraisers. If you are interested in going to the Gathering, but can't make the meeting, be sure to let one of the Youth Leaders know.

Celebration Time! Holy Cross Lutheran Church & School is accomplishing our Facelift 2021 Phase 1 goals! Please join us on **Sunday, August 15 from 11:30am to 2:30 pm** for an old fashioned School Picnic in the gym to celebrate!

St James Life Ministries Kick-off Celebration & Speaker – We will be kicking off our Life Ministry work on August 29 with special speaker Kristi Hofferber during Bible Study. Kristi is a pro-life and adoption advocate who shares a message about the value of life. There will be special activities for all ages in between services and after the late service. Come and hear Kristi speak and join in the special activities praising God for the gift of life and find out how you can become involved. Please contact the church office for questions or interest.



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