



Welcome to United Lutheran Church on this tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 1st, 2021 with worship at 10:15am

## ~ Gathering ~

Prelude Allen Quie - organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS\*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

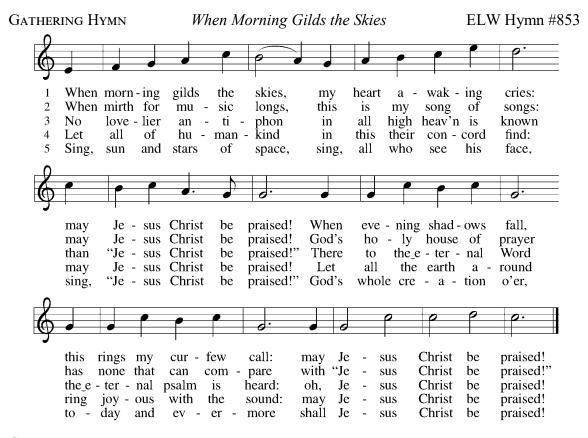
All: help us.

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.

P: 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.

All: Amen.

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#### GREETING

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

#### Prayer of the Day

All: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC Michael Marcotte and Gretchen Kindseth, Allen Quie-acc.

## ~ Word ~

# The main thoughts of the day are collected, or summarized in this short prayer. The prayers for the season of the church year have come to us from the

Prayer of the Day:

#### First Reading:

rich treasury of the church's heritage.

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

FIRST READING

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

<sup>4</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.' "<sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

of the Lord appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The Lord spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

13In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

P: Word of God. Word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:23-29

<sup>23</sup>So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

<sup>24</sup>raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

<sup>25</sup>So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

<sup>26</sup>The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully

#### led out the south wind,

<sup>27</sup>raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas

<sup>28</sup>letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

<sup>29</sup>So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

#### SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-16

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;

he gave gifts to his people."

9(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might

fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. 15But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

P: Word of God. Word of life. C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Second Reading:**

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

from ELW pg. #205 \*Please stand as you are able.





Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel:

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest. GOSPEL John 6:24-35

P: The holy Gospel according to John, the 6th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

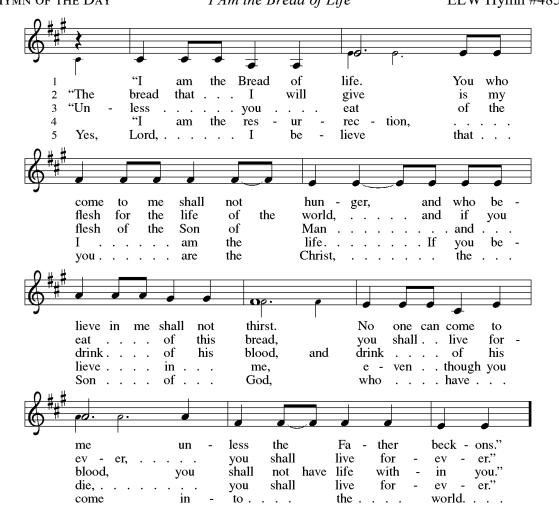
of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give

us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<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."

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: This hymn follows the theme of the readings and reflects the message of the sermon. SERMON Pastor Kristen Larsen-Schmidt
HYMN OF THE DAY *I Am the Bread of Life*ELW Hymn #485





APOSTLES' CREED\*

ELW Page #126

\*Please stand as you are able.

We respond to God's word together when we

say the Creed. Creed

comes from the Latin

word "credo" which means "I believe". In

or Nicene Creed. These

1700 years ago so the

Creeds were written over

world would know what Christians believe.

**Prayers of Intercession** 

our worship we use either 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

P: ...Lord in your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.

GREETING OF PEACE

~ Meal ~

**OFFERING** 

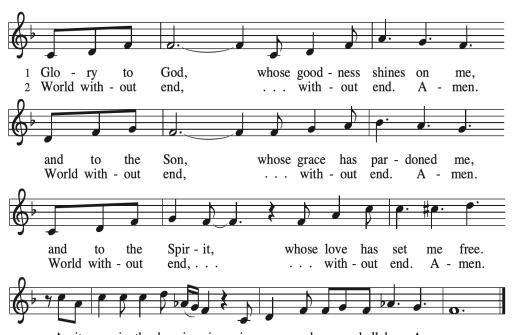
The offering will be received at the doors.

OFFERING SONG

Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Paul M. Vasile

These prayers in the service follows the directive of the Apostle Paul to young Timothy, a pastor: "I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness".



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be. A - men.

The Great Thanksgiving

The opening dialogue between pastor and people that begins the Holy Communion part of the service. These words, dating from the second century, are likely the most ancient part of the Great Thanksgiving.

#### The Words of Institution

Jesus' words (from the Last Supper, Matthew 26:26-28) used with the bread and wine, makes this sacrament a 'means of grace' or way that God brings His love and forgiveness to us.

Each worshipper will be given a small chalice as they enter the sanctuary. Each chalice holds both a serving of bread and wine. Worshippers will not come forward for communion, but take the bread and wine from their place in the pews. Chalices with grape juice and gluten free bread will be available.

#### STEP ONE:

Open bottom seal. Take and eat.



**STEP TWO:**Open top seal. Take and drink.



#### The Lamb of God

This is our way of saying to God and to each other that it was Jesus who died for our sins as that perfect sacrifice, that perfect lamb that was slain for our life. It also focuses our attention on what we are about to receive in Holy Communion, which is Christ's true body and blood 'given and shed for the forgiveness of sins'. "The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:29)

#### OFFERING PRAYER

P: 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. All: Amen.

#### GREAT THANKSGIVING

from ELW Page #206

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: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

from ELW page #207



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

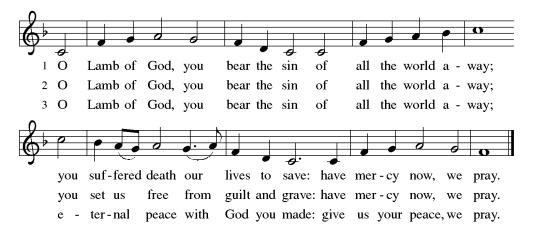
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom, 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.

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LAMB OF GOD

from ELW page #208



Blessing/Benediction:

This prayer asking for God's

blessing upon the assembly as we go out into the world

doing God's will.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: 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.

All: Amen.

~ Sending~

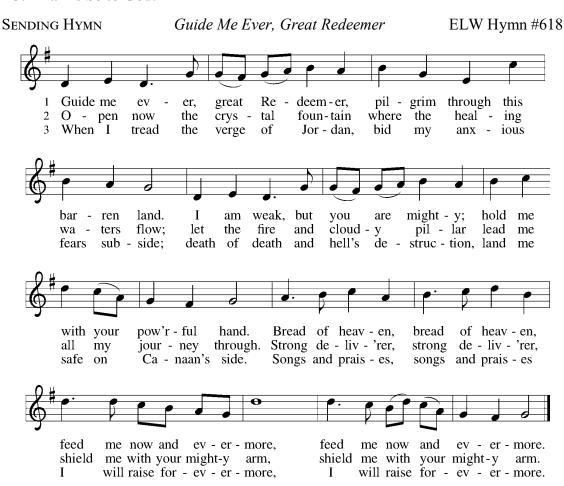
BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

All: Amen.

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE

Allen Quie - organ

ELW Hymn #'s: 853, 485, 618, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lamb of God, ELW page #207-208. Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines. Shepherd Me, O God, Marty Haugen ©1986 be G.I.A. Publications, Inc. Chicago. <u>Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License</u> #22289, A-800051. CCII License #1621695. One License: Annual License.

## CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Thank you to Pastor Kristen Larsen-Schmidt for leading us in worship this morning.

Volunteers are needed to help water our Garden of Eatin'. Please sign-up to help by following this link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0945a9a629a7fb6-ulcgarden1">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0945a9a629a7fb6-ulcgarden1</a> or by contacting the church office.

**Worship Service Leaders** Pr. Kristen Larsen-Schmidt

Director of Youth and Family Ministry Molly Haagenson

**Worship Accompanist** Allen Quie

> **Worship Team** Gretchen Kindseth Michael Marcotte

**United in Serving Leader** John & Mary Kay Hanson

> Lector Claudette Zimney

Ushers John Hanson Mary Kay Hanson Colleen Akset Tom Zimney Claudette Zimney

**Special Thanks** Katie Stauss Darren Lee Jayson Helseth

# THE WEEK AHEAD AT UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1ST

- 10:15am Worship/Communion (SA/1310AM KNOX/Facebook)
- 11:15am Coffee Fellowship (FH)

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 3RD

• 11:00am - Staff Meeting (LG)

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4TH

- 4:30pm Summer Supper Set-up5:30pm Summer Supper Served (CY)
- 6:30pm Summer Supper Clean-Up (ĆY/FH)

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 6TH - OFFICE CLOSED

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH

- 10:15am Worship/Communion (SA/1310AM KNOX/Facebook)
- 11:15am Coffee Fellowship (FH)

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### **SUMMER SUPPERS 2021 BEGIN THIS WEEK - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Volunteers are needed each Wed. night (Aug. 4th, 11th, and 18th)

- 1) Set Up: 4:30-5:30pm (six volunteers needed)
- 2) Serving and table tending: 5:30-6:30pm (six volunteers needed)
- 3) Clean-up: 6:30-7pm (four volunteers needed)

\*\*Sign-up to volunteer by visiting our website, by following this link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/">https://www.signupgenius.com/</a> go/20F0945A9A629A7FB6-united3 or by calling the church office during office hours.