

**The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
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**July 13, 2024
5:30 PM**

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Greeters	Joanne Cross, Judy Valentyn
Ushers	Dave Schuenke, Dan & Judy Valentyn

The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM services. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder, or Worship Assistant.

PRE-SERVICE AND GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please fill out Friendship Pads)*

OPENING HYMN “I Love Your Kingdom, Lord” *LSB 651, sts. 1-5*

Please stand

INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C. **Amen**

CONFESSION

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
C. **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

P. People of God, I have good news for you! Know with joy that upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Lord, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ and on His behalf, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C. **Amen.**

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PSALM 85:1-13 (*spoken responsively*)

P. ¹LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

P. ⁹Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

C. ²You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.

C. ¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

P. ³You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

P. ¹¹Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

C. ⁴Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!

C. ¹²Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

P. ⁵Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

P. ¹³Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

C. ⁶Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

**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.**

P. ⁷Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Please be seated

C. ⁸Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

FIRST LESSON

Amos 7:7-15

⁷This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

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Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LSB 686, sts.1-4
LSB 793, sts. 1-4

After the distribution—please stand

DISMISSAL

P. The true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith to life ✠ everlasting.

C. Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P. Let us pray... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen

BENEDICTION

P. 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.
In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

Please sit

CLOSING HYMN "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"
LSB 917, sts. 1-4

P. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C. **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

SERMON “NEHEMIAH SENT TO INSPECT AND EMPOWER”

(Text: Nehemiah 2:4-6, 17-18)

The Rev. Peter Gueldner

TITHES AND OFFERING

Please stand

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

P. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen

P. Together let us pray as our Lord Jesus taught us...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 glory forever and ever. Amen**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P. Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

P. You are welcome to come to the Lord's Table.

C. Amen.

¹⁰Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said,

“Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.”

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's

sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

¹⁴Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

L. This is the Word of the Lord.

C. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:3-14

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Please stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:14-29

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

C. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁴King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²²For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased

Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." ²³And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." ²⁴And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²⁵And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother.

²⁹When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to You, O Christ.

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;**

(continued...)

**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 of the world to come. Amen.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "O Jesus, I Have Promised" (sts. 1-4)
(Tune: LSB 658 - Munich)

1. O Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end,
Remain forever near me, my Master and my Friend.
I shall not fear the battle if You are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if You will be my guide.

2. Oh, let me feel You near me, the world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me, around me and within
But, Jesus, then draw nearer to shield my soul from sin.

3. Oh, let me hear You speaking in accents clear and still
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control,
Now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul!

4. O Jesus, You have promised to all who follow You,
That where You are in glory, Your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve You to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow, my Master and my Friend.

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