

Good Morning!

Sunday, August 11, 2024 – 8:30am

To Our Guests: We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today! Please stop by our Welcome Desk for more information about all our ministries. Please read below for more information about worshipping with us.

We love children at Christ Our Savior. Parents are encouraged to sit in the front pews so young children can see what is happening during worship. A nursery for children, infant to 3 yrs, and a family lounge off the Advent Lobby are available for those who prefer these areas. Ask an usher for directions.

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We welcome guests to Sunday School and Bible classes, from 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Sunday School	Lead by:	Where:
Pre K thru 6 th grade	Karla Schettenhelm	Rooms 8 & 9
7 th grade thru 12 th grade	Judy Bruder, Dan Young, Josh Kittleman	Youth Room
Adult Bible Studies		
Bethel Bible Series	Judy Mayle	Gethsemane Chapel
Callings for Life Discussions: Family, Work, Church, and Society	Josh Kittleman, Pastor Werner, Pastor Davenport, Fritz Quitmeyer	Gym

AS WE GATHER

Many grumbled when Jesus said, "I am the bread of life" (*John 6:35*). Perhaps we grumble as well. We are always looking for God to meet our expectations and to answer our needs as we see best. But we meet the Lord where He reveals Himself—from a manger that cradles the Son of God in flesh and blood to a cross on which the King dies to free His people from their sin, down to bread that promises His flesh and a cup, His blood. Where we will meet Him on the ground of faith, He will not leave us wanting. He will bestow upon us far more than we ask or dare to desire—the communion of His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins and as pledge of the eternal life to come. What a blessed mystery is given to us by faith.

Order of Worship

Divine Service, Setting Four

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
arr. Funderburk

David Crittenden

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ Preparation ✠

OPENING HYMN

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LSB 790

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!
- 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning**
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?
- 3. Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,**
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief Ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade you.
- 4. Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;**
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.
- 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!**
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 34:8–10

- P** Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints;
C **those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**

Silence for self-examination

- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
C **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**
- P** He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

† Service of the Word †

KYRIE

LSB 204



- C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

- 1. To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**
- 2. To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high**

**3. For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING *(Arise and eat for your journey is great.)* 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE *("Be imitators of God, as beloved children.")* 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. ^{5:1}Therefore 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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (*sung*)

John 20:31

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL (*"The bread that I will give for the life of the world is My flesh."*) *John 6:35–51*

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

G **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.

G **Praise to You, O Christ.**

1. **Lord Jesus, think on me
And purge away my sin;
From worldly passions set me free
And make me pure within.**
2. **Lord Jesus, think on me,
By anxious thoughts oppressed;
Let me Your loving servant be
And taste Your promised rest.**
3. **Lord Jesus, think on me
Amid the battle's strife;
In all my pain and misery,
O be my health and life!**
4. **Lord Jesus, think on me
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point out Your chosen way.**
5. **Lord Jesus, think on me
That, when this life is past,
I may the eternal brightness see
And share Your joy at last.**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

*The ushers bring forward our gifts as a response to His blessings in our lives.
Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary both before and after services.*

PRAYER AT OFFERING

- P** Heavenly Father, in following Your example, we offer these gifts to you today. As you have blessed us without measure, we bring these tithes to you and pray that You would bless them for the continuance and growth of Your kingdom. A kingdom that waits joyfully for Jesus' return.
- C** **All that I have is Yours, Lord Jesus. All that I have is You.**
- P** Use then all of our gifts for works of love, mercy, witness, and unto the increase of Your glory.
- C** **Amen**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** O gracious God, You gave Your Son to be the living bread given for the life of the world. How can we not trust in Your divine providence to provide all things for those whom He has made Your own children? Blessed Lord, once our fathers ate manna in the wilderness and died. Give us heaven's bread that by our communion of the body and blood of Jesus we may live forever. Nourish us upon Christ, our Lord, that we may be sustained in faith and delivered at last into Your presence on high forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gracious Redeemer, Your compassion reigns over all our trouble. Grant us grace that we show forth Your care to those in need and sustain all who are afflicted. Keep them through the day of their trouble until at last You deliver them into Your perfect peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Mighty Lord, You manifest Your power over all things through the leaders in this and every land. By Your grace, make all those who serve us in government wise, just, and honest, and guide them toward the common good that we may serve You without fear. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Gentle Savior, You came not to condemn but to heal and save. Grant to us hearts of mercy that we may forgive as we have been forgiven, and by our acts of mercy display Your great compassion. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Good Shepherd, raise up good and faithful shepherds for Your people that the church may be blessed with passionate preaching and faithful teaching. Bless Rev. Matthew Harrison presiding in Synod; Rev. David Davis, our district president; and our pastors. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Father, in our wounds, You are wounded. Be with those who suffer any burden of the body or mind, and deliver them from all their sufferings according to Your mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, prepare the hearts of Your people that we who come at our Lord's bidding may receive in this communion His flesh and blood for our good and that no sin may remain to condemn us. Forgive us, O Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You have not withheld from us anything needful for this body and life. Help us now to trust in You for answer to our prayers, and give to us such confidence in Your fatherly wisdom that we may be content and at peace with Your answer; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray.

C **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

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.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

LSB 685

**1. Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do the Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where You guide.**

continued

**2. Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.**

**3. Let us also live with Jesus.
He has risen from the dead
That to life we may awaken.
Jesus, You are now our head.
We are Your own living members;
Where You live, there we shall be
In Your presence constantly,
Living there with You forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be,
Life eternal grant to me.**

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SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE



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By Doerfer family and Hermanson family, in loving memory of Damian Doerfer.

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