

# AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
August 4, 2024

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

WOV #771 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

GREETING

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

*L: You are the treasured people of the Lord,*

**C: a people holy to the Lord our God.**

*L: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.*

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

*L: One does not live by bread alone,*

**C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

CANTICLE (pg. 47 WOV)

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**Great and wonderful are your deeds, O God of the universe; just and true are your ways, O Ruler of all the nations. Who can fail to honor you, Lord, and sing the glory of your name?**

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**For you alone are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and worship before you, for your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

SALUTATION

*L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. L: Let us pray.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C: Gracious Father, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world. Give us this bread, that he may live in us and we in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 16:2-15

Pew Bible pg. 75

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 145:10-21

*L: All your works praise you, O LORD, and your faithful servants bless you.*

**C: They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power;**

*L: that the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.*

**C: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

*L: The LORD is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.*

**C: The LORD upholds all those who fall; he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

*L: The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.*

**C: You open wide your hand and satisfy the needs of every living creature.**

*L: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.*

**C: The LORD is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.**

*L: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he hears their cry and helps them.*

**C: The LORD preserves all those who love him, but he destroys all the wicked.**

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 4:1-16

Pew Bible pg. 1226

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord.* **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 48 WOV)

(Please rise as you are able)

**C: Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!**

**Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures. Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!**

GOSPEL LESSON: John 6:22-35

*(Before reading) L: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(After reading) L: The Gospel of the Lord.* **C: Praise to you, O Christ.** (Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Terry Doyle

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW #222 "O Bread of Life from Heaven"

(Please rise as you are able)

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*L: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.*

**C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

*L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.*

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

*L: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; C: pray in the Holy Spirit.*

*L: Keep yourselves in the love of God*

**C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:*

**C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

*L: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.*

#### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*L: Gracious God,* **C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*L: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.*

**C: Amen**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

*L: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.* **C: And also with you.**

#### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY (Please rise) Congregation Sings: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

*L: Let us pray. God, our Creator,* **C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*L: Lord, in Your mercy,* **C: hear our prayer.**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### BLESSING

*L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.* **C: Amen**

#### SENDING HYMN

**LBW #241 "We Praise You, O God"**

#### DISMISSAL

*L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.* **C: Thanks be to God.**

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE

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*“Harvests are beginning to ripen, and gardens are producing richly.  
God of growth, may the seeds you plant in me through worship bear abundant fruit.”*

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**NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Family of Ilene Ackerman

**CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Rich Friemel	Steen Bjerre	Debbi Dietz	Carla Adkins
Maddy & Leah Graves	Kim Wyre	Jessica Hawn	Loretta Overholt
Jennifer Birkey	Earl Smith	Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds
Ben Moser	Denny Doyle	William Benton	Steve Ritchie
Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat	Nick Shepherd
Bob & Jenny Hobby	Michael Markarian	Joyce Keith	Bob Selby
Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival	Joyce Williamson	

**NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:**

Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Shorty Baugher	Ruth Lutz
Genet Dixon	Janet Withers	Joan Mathis	

**MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):**

Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod	Kasey Fenimore
Brian Griswold	Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti	Riley Falletti

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**TABLE GUILD**

DeAnn McMorris, Sue Coffin

**ACOLYTES**

Jack Flesner, Joshua James

**BULLETIN GREETERS**

Rich & Shirley Friemel

**GREETERS**

Shirley Barnes, Chrissie Hall

**LECTOR**

Midge Seim

**PRAYER LEADER**

Terry Doyle

**WORSHIP STEWARD**

Richard Peavler

**USHERS**

Bill Schlueter, Tom & Mary Edwards

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**, dear family of God. We pray that God restore to each of us joy in his gift of salvation and a willing spirit to serve him in response (Psalm 51:12).

**FLOWERS TODAY** are provided by *Sam & Joyce Holland* in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** will be held today immediately following the Worship Service concerning the replacement of the youth hall floor and connecting hallways.

**ON VACATION** Nikki is on vacation this week. During this time, Judy Peck will be in the office from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and DeAnn McMorris from 1:00-4:00 p.m. each day except Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. Please call the church office if a need arises or stop by during these times and they will make sure you are taken care of.

**OFFICE CLOSED** The church office will be closed this Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

**HELP NEEDED** The preschool will be having their floors refinished this Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. We will be clearing out the rooms after summer camp on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, starting at 4:30 p.m. Please let the office know if you would be available to help.

**50+ POTLUCK** will be held next Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. in the ALC Youth Hall. Please bring a dish to share and come and enjoy this time of food and fellowship.

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING** School days are coming soon! We will celebrate our students and teachers (Preschool through College) with a back-to-school blessing on Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. If you are a student or teacher, please plan to attend our service and receive the Lord's blessing upon you.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE** for the call of a pastor continues to be held in the Chapel at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday evening. A time of fellowship with a light meal begins at 5:45 p.m. prior to the prayer service. All are invited and welcome to attend!

**CHRIST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL'S KNIGHT FOR CHRIST BENEFIT AUCTION** will be held on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, at the Ford County Fairgrounds in Melvin. Silent Auction begins at 4:00 p.m. Reservations are \$50.00 per person. RSVP required by August 9<sup>th</sup>. Please call the CLHS office at 217-394-2547 for more information.

**BISHOP DAN SELBO** addressed congregations last week regarding the response we should have to the violence and unrest in our nation. He has issued a call to prayer, encouraged us to embody the love of Christ for all people, hold steadfast to our hope in Christ, and encouraged us to be peacemakers acting in unity and peace toward those we encounter. We have several copies of the entire letter available at the worship steward's desk. If you would like a copy and none are remaining, please contact the office and one will be printed for you.

**ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 109

**UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE:**

August 11<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jay Johnson (Communion)

August 18<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Carl Rasmussen (Communion)

August 25<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jim Lehmann (Communion)

**BROADCAST/FLOWER CHART** If you would like to sponsor the weekly radio broadcast on WPXN, the cost is \$50. To provide flowers for Sunday, the cost is \$25. Please sign up on the appropriate chart outside the Narthex then notify the church office the details to print in the bulletin prior to that date.

**FUNERAL MEALS** We are still collecting names of those who would like to be on the list of people that are called to provide salads and desserts for funeral meals. Please call Nikki in the church office if you would like your name added to our list.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (July-September) are still available to pick-up in the Narthex and in the entryway outside of the church office.

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

1 Kings 19:1-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:17-5:2; John 6:35-51

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**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, August 4**

9:00 a.m.   Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.   Congregational Meeting  
Following  
Cong. Mtg.:   Adult Sunday School  
                  NO Women's Bible Study

**Monday, August 5**

12:30 p.m.   Quilting

**Tuesday, August 6**

6:00 p.m.   Men's Bible Study

**Wednesday, August 7**   OFFICE CLOSED

5:45 p.m.   Fellowship Meal  
6:30 p.m.   Prayer Service

**Thursday, August 8**

9:00 a.m.   Bible Study

**Sunday, August 11**

9:00 a.m.   Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.   Adult Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

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**Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM**

## **Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

*August 4, 2024 – August 10, 2024*

*Prayer: Gracious Father, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world. Give us this bread so that he may live among us and we in him, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

### **Daily Lessons:**

Sunday	1 Samuel 29:1-11	Psalm 75	John 6:25-71
Monday	1 Samuel 30:1-31	Psalm 76	John 7:1-13
Tuesday	1 Samuel 31:1-13	Psalm 77	John 7:14-24
Wednesday	2 Samuel 1:1-27	Psalm 78	John 7:25-31
Thursday	2 Samuel 2:1-32	Psalm 79	John 7:32-36
Friday	2 Samuel 3:1-39	Psalm 80	John 7:37-44
Saturday	2 Samuel 4:1-25	Psalm 81	John 7:45-53

**Morning Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

**Mid-Day Prayer** Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

**Evening Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen