ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 21, 2024 The Nineth Sunday After Pentecost 9:30am Now The Feast Worship Service



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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader:	Pastor Thomas Neel
Worship Assistant:	Debbie Ealer
Organist:	Mark Jonkman
Audio-Video Production:	John Costanzo
Lector:	Sue Heater
Nursery Care Givers:	Deb Henry and David Abel
Greeter:	Ron Roth

PRELUDE

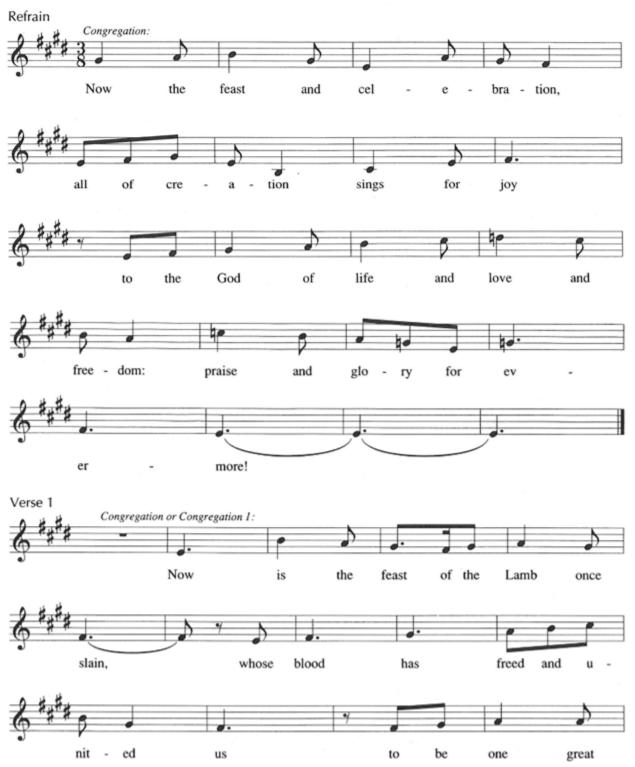
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

NOW THE FEAST





SALUTATION



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray. O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING

L A reading from Jeremiah, Chapter 23.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

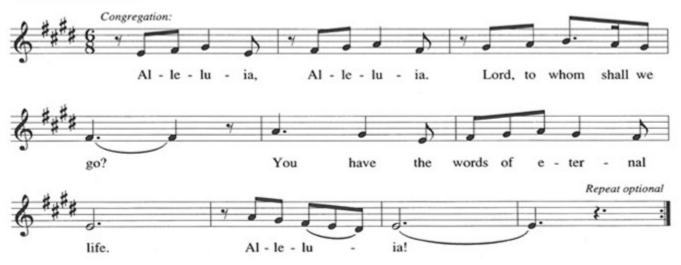
SECOND READING

L A reading from Ephesians, Chapter 2.

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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

C Glory to you, O Lord.

P ³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY T

Thy Holy Wings

Hymnal #613

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 One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer. *A brief silence.*

A For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick especially (______, and) those we now name silently in our hearts. Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A For this assembly and for the faith communities represented this week at the ELCA Youth Gathering: Nurture the faith of young people as they encounter new experiences and people. Break down dividing walls and inspire collaboration among people of every age. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A In thanksgiving for those who have died especially (______, and) those we now name silently in our hearts: Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for all who are homebound or in nursing homes, especially Margaret, Shirley, Lisa, Carl, Theresa, Shirley, Irene, Doris, Jim, Doris, and those we now name aloud or silently in our hearts. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Peaceful God, we plead for an end to violence in Ukraine and Gaza. Comfort those who have lost or are separated from their loved ones. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for Arndt's Lutheran Church of Easton and the Rev. Jean Huber, Associate to the Bishop. In your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC

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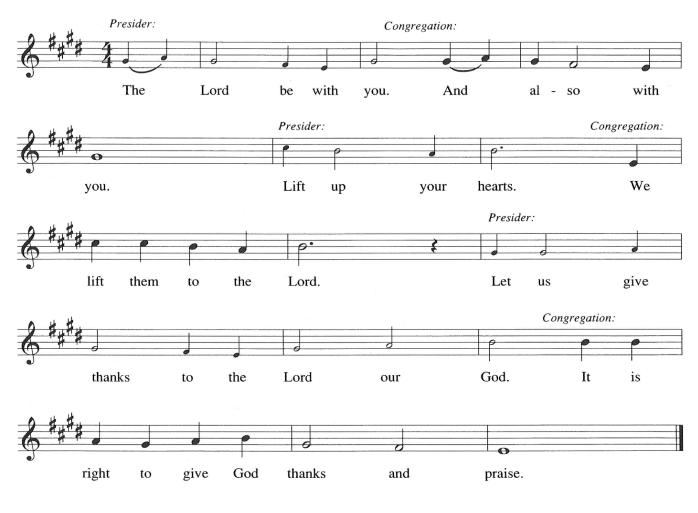


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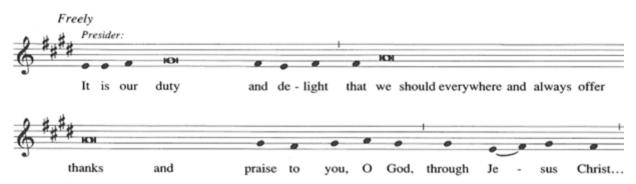
A Let us pray. Merciful God.

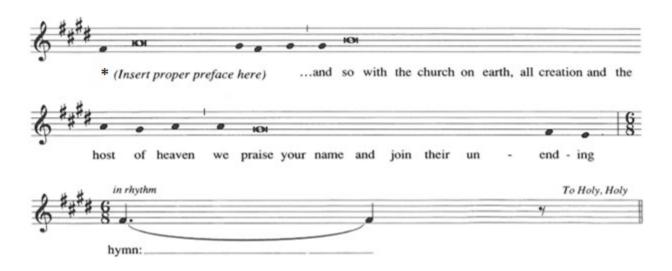
C everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

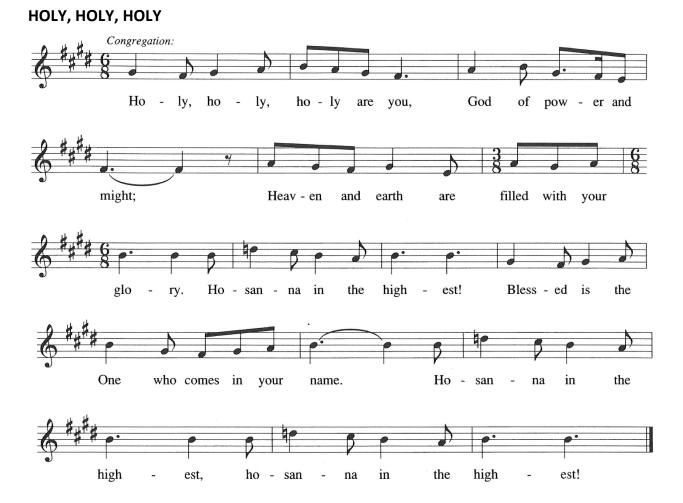


THE PROPER PREFACE





*...who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love...



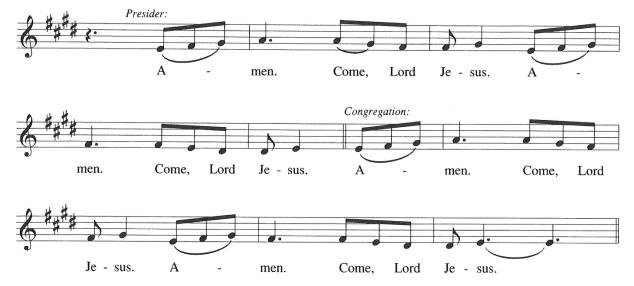
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God; everything is filled with your glory. We give you thanks for your promise and presence which have sustained the faithful in this and every generation.

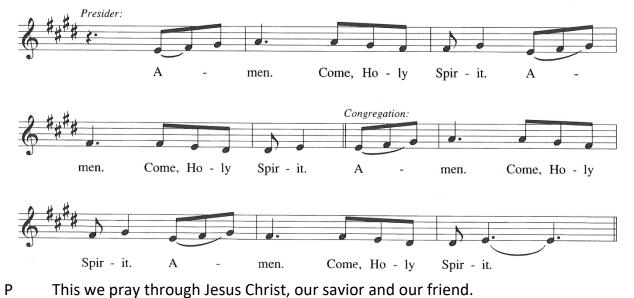
Above all, we give you thanks for Jesus, born of Mary, who in word and deed announced your gentle rule of justice, reconciliation and peace.

On the night of his betrayal our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for your and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his command to love one another, his life and death, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again even as we cry;

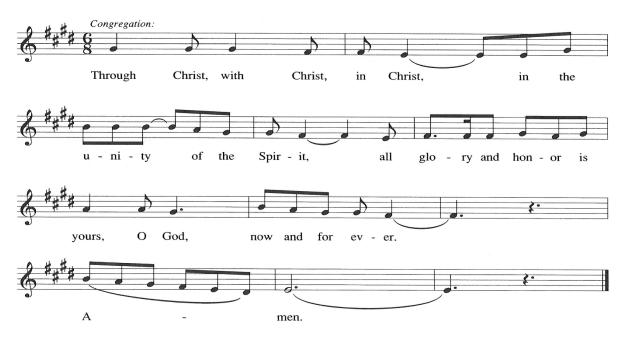


P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.



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THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST



LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! *Please prepare for the reception of Communion.*

Please be seated.Hymn during distribution:I Received the Living GodHymnal #477Let All Mortal Flesh Keep SilenceHymnal #490O Bread of Life From HeavenHymnal #480

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the base of the steps this day or at your seats. All are welcome to receive the bread and the wine. Gluten free wafers are available for those who want them.

Please stand as you are able. When all have received Communion:

P May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

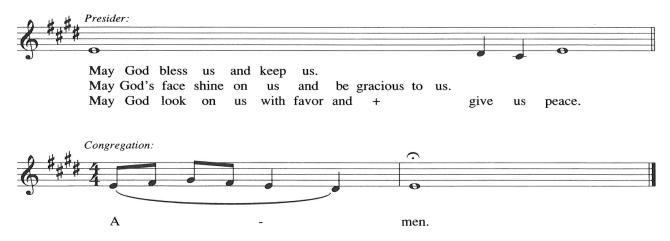
C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. 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.

C Amen.

THE BLESSING



SENDING SONG Go Out with Joy

See Bulletin Page 14.

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ELW 480, **O Bread of Life From Heaven** - Public Domain Text: Latin hymn, c. 1661; tr. Hugh T. Henry, 1862 - 1946, sts. 1, 3; tr. Philip Schaff, 1819–1893, st. 2 Music: Heinrich Isaac, 1450-1517; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685 -1750 Tune: O Welt, ich muss dich lassen (isometric).

BIRTHDAYS...Sean Boylan, Christian Combi, Anthony Rodriguez, Felisha Warrelmann.

Immediate Prayers: Carl, Charlie, Crystal DiLonardo, Carol Ehler, Ella, Gary, Gerry, Daniel Gilbert, Kamilah, Keith, Ingvar Kjellberg, Gwen Krapf, Rebecca and Mike Lepkowski, Corey Mashintonio, C. David Massey, Jim Pennoyer, Rachel, Irene Rute, Diane Shaw, Melissa Sprunger, Mike U., and Tammy Webber. *As of July 16, 2024.

Members Homebound/Nursing Home: Margaret Bennett, Shirley Curto, Lisa Detweiler, Carl Fisher, Theresa Lawhead, Shirley Messenlehner, Irene Neel, Doris Neumeyer, Jim Slater, and Doris Wanamaker.

Long Term Prayers: Jessica Arnoldi, Elaine Bobeck, Rodney Burda, John Clay, Lisa Detweiler, Crystal DiLonardo, Michael DiLonardo, Debbie DiLonardo, Niklas Enblom, Maj-Britt Enblom, Pam Garity, Lori Gilbert, David Jackson, Laura Lee Laustsen, David Laustsen, Paul Laustsen, Barbara Lindner, Ethel Shive, Jim Slater, Melissa Steckel, John Velekei, Doug VonNessen, and Tammy Webber.

Service Members: MSgt Courtney Baskwell, Lt. Matthew Baskwell, Airman Levi Birchfield, Staff Sgt. Kyle Callantine, PV Anthony Duginski, Captain Vince Franchino, Lt. Elizabeth Gordon, Major Derek Hartman, Major Kristina Himmelreich, Sgt. Rhiannon Perry, CPO Dennis Shive, Corporal Mark Pollard, and Seaman Recruit Joseph Suhr.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday, July 21	Nineth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:30pm *Holy Communion Worship Service
Monday, July 22	7:00pm Parent Partnership Support Group
	7:00pm SANS Committee at Hope House
Wednesday, July 24	7:00pm Bible Study
Thursday, July 25	7:00 Community Care
Friday, July 26	7:30 Crossroads AA
Sunday, July 28	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:30pm *Holy Communion Worship Service
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MONTH OF JULY	
Altar Guild:	Linda Trigiani
Offering Counters:	Shirley Kerbaugh and Kathy Brandt

Go out with joy



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