



Matthew 14:13-21

August 2, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Our Savior's Lutheran Church



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*A congregation of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*

Welcome to Worship!

We're glad that you are here
as part of worship!

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church
welcomes all!**

We gather for worship called by
God's Spirit from many places of
compass and heart. We bring stories of
where God has met and sustained us
along the way. We bring questions and
yearnings to see God's presence more
fully in our world. We are brought



together by a God
who knows us as
Creator, and who
gathers us as only a
Good Shepherd
can—to lead us into
what it means to be
God's people here
in this place.

As God's people, we
are continually

learning what it means to be truly
encouraging and supportive to all. We
are committed to care for, to love, to
understand, and to listen to each other,
regardless of ethnicity, age, sexual
orientation, gender identity, physical
or mental ability, social or economic
status. To all we extend a heartfelt
invitation to join us on this journey, as
partners in the full life and ministry of
Christ the Servant.

The Bible reminds us to “*remember
the Sabbath day*”. We remember that
“*This is the Lord's day*”, and as we
gather to worship the God who
deserves our praise, the Lord will do
for us what the Lord does: feed us,
forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at
all the wonderful things God is doing.

We hope that you will feel at home!

We hope you feel Christ's welcome
in our service, and hope to see you
again soon.

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** Stand as you are able.*

Introduction

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

PRELUDE, WORDS TO THE DAY, FINAL PRELUDE

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin to God.
Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C **we confess to you all our sins.**

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

C Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

*** GATHERING HYMN "ALL WHO HUNGER GATHER GLADLY" (ELW 461)**



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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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.

G And also with you.

***KYRIE**

(ELW 157)

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through - out the world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

(ELW 167)

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

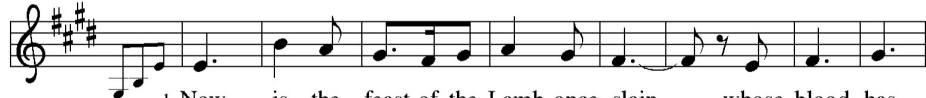


sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



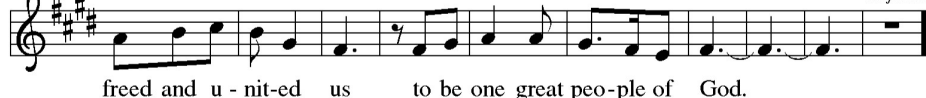
praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

Refrain



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

Refrain



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

Refrain



***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P** Let us Pray.
- C** **Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

Jacob wrestled all night with God, and when God wanted to get away as dawn was breaking, Jacob would not let God go until God had blessed him. Jacob's name is changed to Israel to mark his new relationship with God as he enters the land. Jacob is astonished that he remains alive after seeing God face-to-face.

²² At night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed."²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him.³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved."³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

A Word of God, word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

- ⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- ⁹ **LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is overall your works.**
- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.
- ¹⁵ **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.**
- ¹⁶ You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- ¹⁷ **You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.**
- ¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.
- ¹⁹ **You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;
you hear their cry and save them.**
- ²⁰ You watch over all those who love you,
but all the wicked you shall destroy.
- ²¹ **My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.

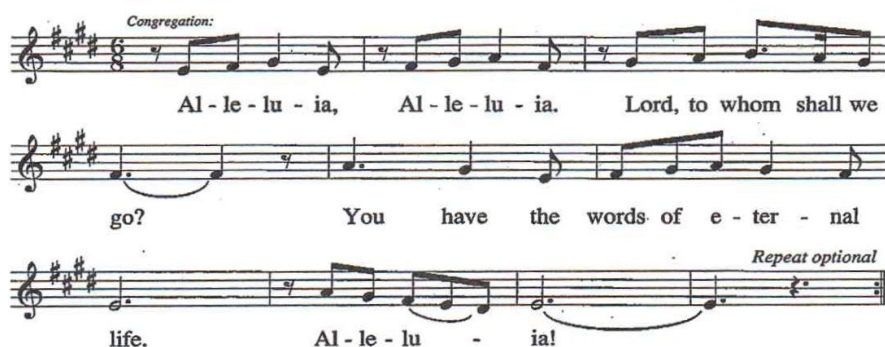
¹ I am speaking the truth in Christ- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit- ² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵ to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

 Word of God, word of Life.

 Thanks be to God.

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

ELW Setting 8



*** Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21**

☐ Glory to you, O Lord.

After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.

¹³ Now when Jesus heard about the beheading of John the Baptist, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

☐ This is the word of the Lord

☐ Praise to you, O Christ

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

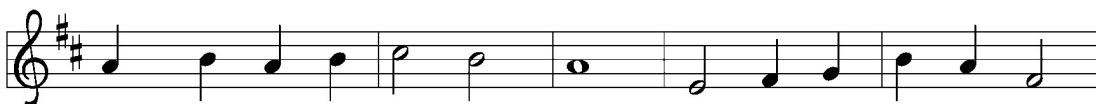
* HYMN OF THE DAY

“ Break Now the Bread of Life ”

(ELW 515)



1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

* 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 THE CHURCH

- P** With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray
for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

W&P 26

I cast all my cares up-on you; I lay all of my
bur - dens down at your feet. And an - y - time that I don't know
what to do, I will cast all my cares up-on you.

P For your church in every place, that it satisfies those who hunger for your word. Bless the ministry of readers, translators, Bible study leaders, and writers, that God's word is broken open and shared with all. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A For your wondrous creation and all the bounty, it provides that your creatures are fed and nourished. Bless the work of farmers, farmworkers, those who fish, and all whose labor brings your abundance to our tables. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P For your children in every nation, that they learn to love justice and live in harmony. As this week we remember the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, keep us mindful of the horrors of war; draw our hearts instead toward your reign of love, hope, and peace. Merciful God,

C Refrain

P For all who cry out with great sorrow and unceasing anguish, that they are comforted.

Feed all who struggle with food insecurity; have mercy on all who are suffering in body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A For this congregation, that it bears faithful witness to the abundance and joy of life in you. Bless all your faithful people gathered here, that they may become blessings for this community. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

P With thanksgiving for the faithful who now rest in your mercy, that their witness continues to inspire the church. By their example, may we trust your promises in life and in death. Merciful God,

C Refrain

P Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

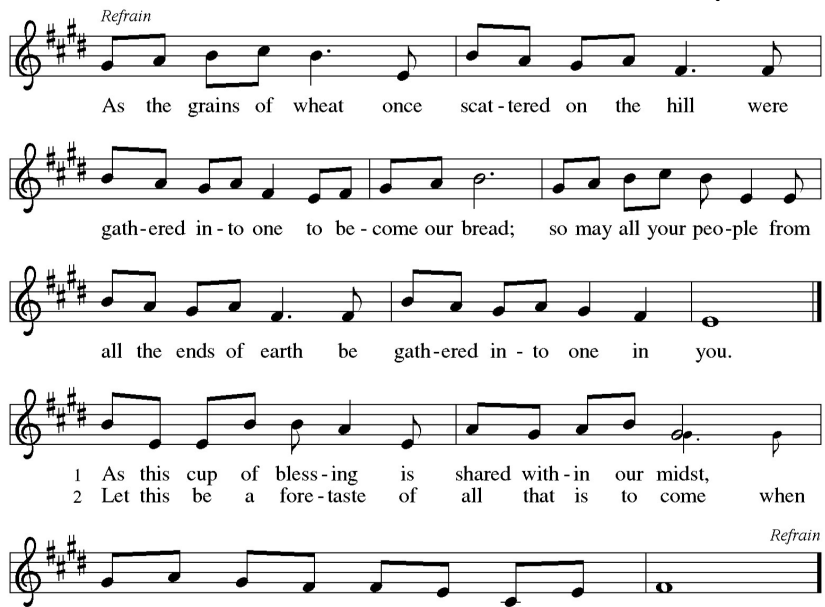
**The sharing of God's peace
with each other.**

OFFERING AND * OFFERTORY

As the Grains of Wheat

(ELW 465)

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*OFFERING PRAYER

C Let us pray.

P Let us pray.

C Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

* GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.
It is right to give
our thanks and praise.**

* PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*** HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

The Feast and Celebration

Introduction when preface is spoken.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the One who comes in your
name. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
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.
Again, 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 you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

*** LORD'S PRAYER**

- [P]** 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]** Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

LAMB OF GOD

Now the Feast and Celebration

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world:
have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God. you
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

*** POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

- [P]** May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
- [C]** Amen.

*** POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

C **Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.**

*** BLESSING AND SENDING**

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God, bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen. Amen. Amen. (Sung)

*** SENDING HYMN “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ “ (ELW 674)**



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

***DISMISSAL**

A Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **C** **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Gatherings this Week:

Sunday August 2	10:00	Worship
Monday August 3	9:15	Offering Counters
Wednesday August 5	7:30	Men's Text Study at 4-B's (a.m.)
Thursday August 6	11:00	WELCA
Sunday August 9	10:00	Worship

**Thank you
Pastor Jodie Tooley, LMA
for leading worship today.
We appreciate you
very much!**

**Alley Pie Rally is going to be held at
First Presbyterian Church after worship at OSLC
Starting at 11:00 on August 9th.**

SERVING AUGUST 2

Usher: Kerrie Ramstead
Greeter: Jerry Ramstead
Reader: Kathy Maynard
Altar Guild: Shirley Boettcher and
Amy Ford
Fellowship: Robin Sainsbury
Offer. Coll.: Luana Brown
Counters: Joyce Morgan and Pat Orham
Pianist : Michelle Payton
Cantor: Ellen Forslund
Officiating: Jodie Tooley, LMA

SERVING AUGUST 9

Usher: Gloria Johnson
Greeter: Lilli Milton
Reader: Volunteer or Pastor
Altar Guild: Shirley Boettcher and
Amy Ford
Fellowship: Robin Sainsbury
Offer. Coll.: Luana Brown
Counters: Joyce Morgan and Pat Orham
Pianist : Michelle Payton
Cantor: Ellen Forslund
Officiating : Jim Carlson, LMA