



Christ Lutheran Church

August 8, 2021

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

+ Stand as you are able. **The congregation speaks the words in bold type.**

Our musicians today are David Kuhlmann, Tami Kuhlmann, Gunnar Ternstrom

GATHERING

MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

Welcome Table

African American Spiritual
arr. By Jeremy Camp



1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,
2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,
3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,



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Text: African American spiritual
Music: WELCOME TABLE, African American spiritual

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God, our provider,
help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PM Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

WORD

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the LORD is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: 34:1-8

Read responsively.

- ¹I will bless the LORD¹ at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be ¹ in my mouth.
- ²**I will glory ¹ in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear ¹ and rejoice.
- ³Proclaim with me the greatness ¹ of the LORD;
let us exalt God's ¹ name together.
- ⁴**I sought the LORD, who ¹ answered me**
and delivered me from ¹ all my terrors. R
- ⁵Look upon the LORD¹ and be radiant,
and let not your faces ¹ be ashamed.
- ⁶**I called in my affliction, and ¹ the LORD heard me**
and saved me from ¹ all my troubles.
- ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ¹ fear the LORD
and de- ¹ livers them.
- ⁸**Taste and see that the ¹ LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref- ¹ uge in God! R

Gospel: John 6:35, 41-51

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you O , Lord.**

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall 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 the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors 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. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor June Wilkins

Vs. You are not alone if you are lonely
When you're feel afraid, you're not the only
We are all the same, in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free.
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God, it's all you need.

Chorus And all the people said Amen
Whoa, oh
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends
And all the people said Amen.

Vs. If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter
Weak or strong, we know love is what we're after
We're all broken, but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall.
And he so loved the world he sent his son to save us all. **(Chorus)**

Bridge
Blessed are the poor spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the prosecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For this is a kingdom
The kingdom of God. **(Chorus x2)**

And all the people said Amen

APOSTLES' CREED

AM With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING MUSIC

Instrumental Offering

Tami & David Kuhlmann

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING

PM The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

+WORDS FOR THE MEAL

+LORD'S PRAYER

**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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come and eat!

As we join with the family of all believers in celebrating Holy Communion, we believe that Christ is present in this meal, and when we receive it, we receive God's grace, abundant love, and forgiveness.

Everyone is welcome to share communion at Christ's table regardless of age, denomination, or background.

If you prefer gluten-free wafers, please let the pastor know.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Come to the Water

John B. Foley

Oh let all who thirst
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord
Without money without price
Why should you pay the price
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil
Let them come to the water
And let all who are weary
Let them come to the Lord
All who labor without rest
How can your soul find rest
Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord
Without money without strife
Why should you spend your life
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor
Let them come to the water
Bring the ones who are laden
Bring them all to the Lord
Bring the children without might
Easy the load and light
Come to the Lord

TABLE BLESSING

PM The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and reveal to you God's grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May the blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us,
and journeys with us, ✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN

You Are My Vision

Rend Collective

You are my vision, O King of my heart
Nothing else satisfies, only You Lord
You are my best thought, by day or by night;
Waking or sleeping, Your presence my light. Oh----oh-----

You are my wisdom, You are my true word.
I ever with You, and You with me Lord.
You're my great Father, and I'm Your true one;
You dwell inside me, together we're one. Oh----oh-----

I don't want riches, or man's empty praise.
You're my inheritance, now and always.
You, and You only, the first in my heart;
High King of heaven, my treasure You are. Oh----oh-----

High King of heaven, when victory's won
May I reach heaven's joy, O bright heav'n's sun.
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all. Oh----oh-----

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all. Oh----oh-----Oh-----oh-----oh-----

DISMISSAL

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