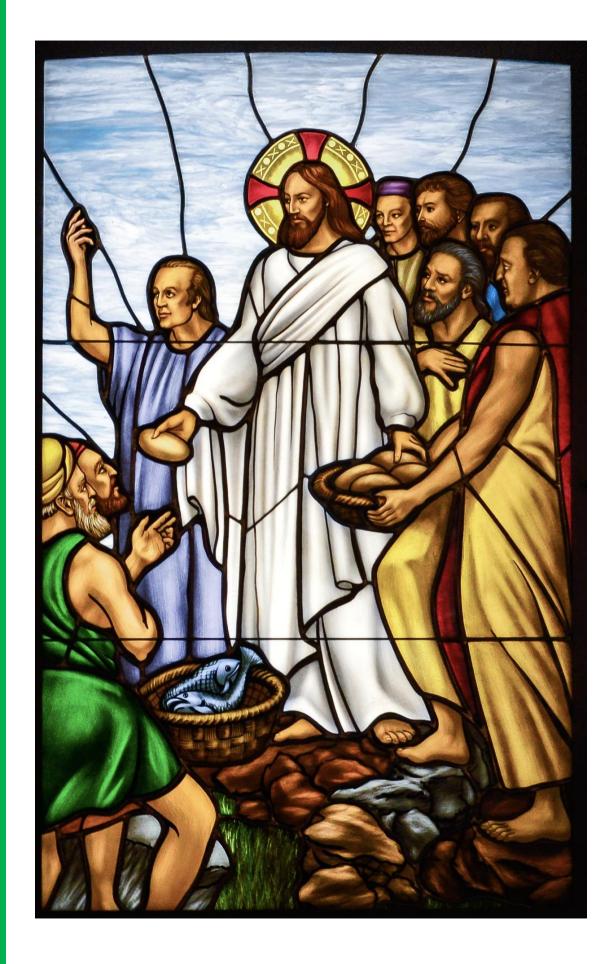


AUGUST 3, 2025 • SUNDAY, 10:00 A.M.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



O BE SURE, IT IS TRUE THAT THOSE WHO DESPISE THE SACRAMENT AND LIVE IN AN UNCHRISTIAN WAY RECEIVE [HOLY COMMUNION] TO THEIR HURT AND DAMNATION [1 CORINTHIANS 11:29-30]. NOTHING SHALL BE GOOD OR WHOLESOME FOR THEM. IT IS JUST LIKE A SICK PERSON WHO ON A WHIM EATS AND DRINKS WHAT IS FORBIDDEN TO HIM BY THE DOCTOR. BUT THOSE WHO ARE MINDFUL OF THEIR WEAKNESSES DESIRE TO BE RID OF IT AND LONG FOR HELP. THEY SHOULD REGARD AND USE THE SACRAMENT JUST LIKE A PRECIOUS ANTIDOTE AGAINST THE POISON THAT THEY HAVE IN THEM. HERE IN THE SACRAMENT YOU ARE TO RECEIVE FROM THE LIPS OF CHRIST FORGIVENESS OF SIN. IT CONTAINS AND BRINGS WITH IT GOD'S GRACE AND THE SPIRIT WITH ALL HIS GIFTS, PROTECTION, SHELTER, AND POWER AGAINST DEATH AND THE DEVIL AND ALL MISFORTUNE.

-LARGE CATECHISM. PART V. THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR. 69-70.

DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING THREE

"Our churches are falsely accused of abolishing the Mass. The Mass is held among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved". -Augsburg Confession. Article XXIV. The Mass. 1-2a.

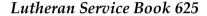


Prelude

WELCOME

Processional Hymn

Please stand and face the processional cross.



"Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread"



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

[Hebrews 10:22]

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Kneeling or sitting forward

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

The Tenth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

Preparation for Confession and Absolution according to the Tenth Commandment:

- Am I discontented with the spouse the Lord God has given me?
- Am I discontented with the job I have or the employees I supervise?
- Have I neglected to urge someone to remain faithful to his or her spouse?
- Have I wanted my neighbor's husband or wife, boyfriend or girlfriend, workers or property to be mine?
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

 [John 20:19-23]
- C Amen.

Standing

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 47:3, 6-8; antiphon: Psalm 47:1-2



- Clap your hands, all | peoples!*

 Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!

 For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,*

 a great king over | all the earth.
- L He subdued peoples | under us,* and nations un- | der our feet.
- Sing praises to God, sing | praises!*
 Sing praises to our King, sing | praises!
- For God is the King of | all the earth;* sing praises | with a psalm!
- God reigns over the | nations;*

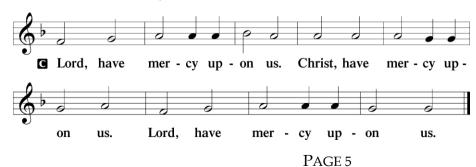
 God sits on his | holy throne.



Clap your hands, all | peoples!*
Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!
For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,*
a great king over | all the earth.

KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47





- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Let us pray.

O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sitting

PROPHECY Isaiah 62:6–12

- A The Prophecy for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity is from Isaiah, chapter 62.
- \mathbf{A} Thus says the LORD God: I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the LORD, do not keep silent, and give Him no rest till He establishes and till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth. The LORD has sworn by His right hand and by the arm of His strength: "Surely I will no longer give your grain as food for your enemies; and the sons of the foreigner shall not drink your new wine, for which you have labored. But those who have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; those who have
- brought it together shall drink it in My holy courts." Go through, go through the gates! Prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway! Take out the stones, lift up a banner for the peoples! Indeed the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the world: "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely your salvation is coming; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him.'" And they shall call them The Holy People, the Redeemed of the LORD; and you shall be called Sought Out, a City Not Forsaken.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Psalm 34:11, 5



- Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*

 I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.
- Those who look to him are | radiant,*
 and their faces shall never | be ashamed.

EPISTLE Romans 6:19–23

- A The Epistle is from Romans, chapter six.
- Brethren: I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Standing

Alleluia and Verse

Psalm 47:1



L Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!



HOLY GOSPEL Mark 8:1-9

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



- great and having nothing to eat, Jesus called His disciples to Him and said to them, "I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now continued with Me three days and have nothing to eat. And if I send them away hungry to their own houses, they will faint on the way; for some of them have come from afar." Then His disciples answered Him, "How can one satisfy these people with bread here in the wilderness?" He asked them, "How many loaves do you have?" And they
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



said, "Seven." So He commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground. And He took the seven loaves and gave thanks, broke them and gave them to His disciples to set before them; and they set them before the multitude. They also had a few small fish; and having blessed them, He said to set them also before them. So they ate and were filled, and they took up seven large baskets of leftover fragments. Now those who had eaten were about four thousand. And He sent them away.

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, Exodus 20:3; Deuteronomy 6:4; Ephesians 4:6 the Father Almighty, Psalm 89:26; Matthew 6:9; Romans 1:20 maker of heaven and earth Genesis 1:1: Nehemiah 9:6: John 1:1 and of all things visible and invisible. 2 Corinthians 4:18; Colossians 1:16

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, 1 Corinthians 8:6; Ephesians 4:5; 1 Timothy 2:5 the only-begotten Son of God, John 1:14; 3:16, 18; Acts 13:33; 1 John 4:9 begotten of His Father before all worlds, John 1:18; 17:24; Ephesians 1:4; Colossians 1:17; 1 Peter 1:20 God of God, Light of Light, John 1:4-9; 8:12; 12:46; Hebrews 1:3; Revelation 21:23 very God of very God, Philippians 2:6; Colossians 1:19; 2:9; 1 John 5:20 begotten, not made, John 1:2 being of one substance with the Father, John 10:30; 17:22

by Whom all things were made; John 1:3; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 1:2

Who for us men and for our salvation John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:4

came down from heaven John 3:13; 6:41; Luke 15:20; Ephesians 4:10

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:34-35 and was made man; John 1:14; Galatians 4:4

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. Matthew 27:35; Mark 15:25; Luke 23:33; John 19:18 He suffered and was buried. Acts 1:13; 3:18; Matthew 14:12; Mark 15:46; Luke 23:53; John 19:42

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures Luke 24:46; Acts 10:40; 1 Corinthians 15:4 and ascended into heaven Luke 24:51; John 20:17; Acts 1:2, 9, 11, 22; Ephesians 4:8

and sits at the right hand of the Father. Mark 16:19; Acts 2:33; 5:31; 7:55-56; Romans 8:34; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1 And He will come again with glory Matthew 26:64; John 14:3; Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16; Revelation 1:7 to judge both the living and the dead, Acts 10:42; 17:31; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 2 Timothy 4:1; 1 Peter 4:5; Revelation 20:12 Whose kingdom will have no end. Luke 1:33; 2 Peter 1:11; Hebrews 1:8; Revelation 11:15

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, John 14:26; 16:13; Acts 2:4

the Lord and giver of life, Genesis 1:2; John 3:5-6; 15:26-27; Romans 8:2

Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, John 14:26; 16:7; Acts 1:8; 2:33; Romans 5:5

Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Matt. 3:16-17; 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14 Who spoke by the prophets. Luke 1:67; Acts 28:25; Ephesians 3:5; 2 Peter 1:21

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Peter 2:5: Revelation 21:14 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, Acts 2:38; Romans 6:3-4; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 4:5 and I look for the resurrection of the dead John 5:29; 6:39, 40, 44, 54; 11:25-26; 1 Corinthians 6:14; 15:20-22 and the life + of the world to come. Mark 10:29-30; Luke 18:30; John 5:24; 6:33; Galatians 6:8; 1 Timothy 4:8; 1 John 5:11 Amen. Psalm 106:48; 2 Corinthians 1:20

Sitting

Lutheran Service Book 819

"Sing Praise to God the Highest Good"



SERMON

OFFERTORY Psalm 51:10–12



Sitting

OFFERING

Standing

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Brief silence

- Almighty Father in heaven, Maker and Provider of all things, give us hearts to receive Your gifts with thanksgiving. Free us from the cares of this world, and fix our eyes on the saving work of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Root us deeply in Your Word, that we would look to You for all our needs of body and soul and remain faithful until death. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- Lord of the earth, our Savior multiplied bread and fish and fed over 4,000 people in Gentile territory, thereby showing that Your kingdom is open to all nations. Bless and protect the work of our missionaries in this country and around the world, that all people would receive the bread of everlasting life given in the Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord and Giver of life, You formed us from the dust of the earth and breathed into us Your own breath of life. All people are made in Your image and have dignity and worth in Your sight. Defend Your gift of earthly life at every age, from natural conception to natural death. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Creator and Preserver of all things, You govern and sustain the earth for our good and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Bless the labor of those who produce food and shelter, safety and peace. Lead us to recognize Your gracious hand in all things and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Father, Your heavenly care extends to all Your children, especially those in the depths of need. [Look in kindness upon ______.] Let them find sustaining food for body and soul and such healing as Your gracious will provides. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- God of grace, as Your Son miraculously fed thousands in the wilderness, feed Your people gathered here today with the true bread from heaven, the body and blood of Christ, our Savior, that even in the wilderness of this world we may share in the eternal life of paradise. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Description of Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3

Following the prayers, please greet one another in the name of the Lord by saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of forgiveness and reconciliation in preparation for worthy reception of the Holy Supper.

Please remain standing.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





Kneeling or sitting forward

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

- **P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

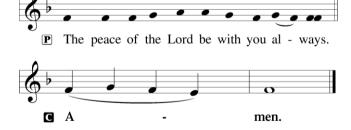
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.



PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord







Sitting

About participation in the Lord's Supper:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. [Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than Holy Communion are asked to cross their arms over their chest.]

For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

(Above is the "Model Communion Card Statement" from Theology and Practice of the Lord's Supper, a 1983 report by the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR) of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.)

Prayer Before Receiving Holy Communion

Lord Jesus, You invite all who are burdened with sin to come to You for rest. I now come at Your invitation to the heavenly feast, which You have provided for Your children on earth. Preserve me from impenitence and unbelief, cleanse me from my unrighteousness, and clothe me with the righteousness purchased with Your blood. Strengthen my faith, increase my love and hope, and assure me a place at Your heavenly table, where I will eat eternal manna and drink of the river of Your pleasure forever and ever. Hear me, Jesus, for Your own sake. Amen.

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

Lutheran Service Book 641

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"



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Lord, may Thy bod-y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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Prayer after Receiving Holy Communion

Almighty and merciful Lord, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

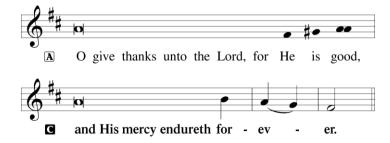
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NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

Luke 2:29-32



THANKSGIVING
Psalm 107:1



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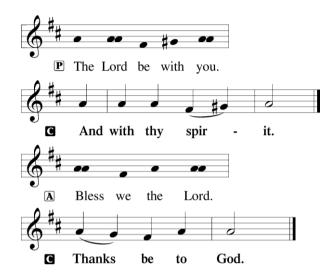
P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

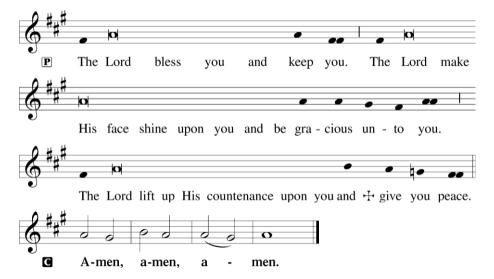
SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

2 Timothy 4:22, Psalm 103:1



BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26



RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lutheran Service Book 642

"O Living Bread from Heaven"



Postlude



SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP

Presiding Minister

The Rev. Steve Harmon, Guest Pastor

Altar Assistant(s)

Grayson Beckman, *Chair of Elders* Katie Schoellen, *Acolyte*

Organist

Abby Warnke, Director of Music

Cantor

Adrian Popescu

Musician(s)

Will Davis, trumpet Patty Harmon, French horn/trumpet

Altar Guild

Margaret Beckman/Kati Durden

Usher(s)

Malcolm Abrahaman/Grayson Beckman (Trevor Dunkel)

Fellowship Host(s)

Grayson & Margaret Beckman

SERVING NEXT WEEK

Presiding Minister

The Rev. David V. Miller, Pastor

Altar Assistant(s)

Grayson Beckman, *Chair of Elders* Katie Schoellen, *Acolyte* Jude Miller, *Gospel Bearer*

Organist

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OVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND. THIS IS THE GREATEST AND MOST IMPORTANT COMMANDMENT. THE SECOND IS LIKE IT: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."

-JESUS CHRIST (MT. 22:37-39)

This Week's Calendar		
Sunday 8/3	Seventh Sunday after Trinity Nursery available Holy Mass Fellowship Hour	9:30 – 11:30 AM 10:00 AM Following Holy Mass
Monday	Open Arms LCDC	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM
8/4	Church Office	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday	Open Arms LCDC	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM
8/5	Church Office	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Wednesday 8/6	Open Arms LCDC Church Office Open Arms LCDC Chapel Midweek Prayer	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM 10:15 AM Noon
Thursday	Open Arms LCDC	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM
8/7	Church Office	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Friday	Open Arms LCDC	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM
8/8	Church Office	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Saturday	Open Arms LCDC	Closed
8/9	Church Office	Closed
Sunday 8/10	Eighth Sunday after Trinity Nursery available Children's Sunday School Adult Bible Study: The Books of the Church: Judith Holy Mass Fellowship Hour Open Arms Board Meeting	8:30 – 11:30 AM 9:00 – 9:45 AM 9:00 – 9:45 AM 10:00 AM Following Holy Mass Following Fellowship Hour

LOVING THE LORD

+ CANCELLED: No Adult Bible Study or Children's Sunday School this week, August 3.

+ Summer Adult Bible Study: The Books of the Church

Sundays at 9:00 A.M. Church fellowship hall

God has blessed us with His inspired Word in the canon of Holy Scripture. From Genesis to Revelation, God has given us everything we need to establish the doctrine of His Church. Nevertheless, there are ecclesiastical texts that, while not inspired by the Holy Spirit, are still helpful in recording the history of God's people and clarifying biblical contexts. Even Martin Luther retained many of these texts in his German translation of the Bible. Lutherans since have also included them in their daily lectionary. And the Jews in Jesus' day made frequent use of them in their Septuagint (Greek translation of the Old Testament).

This might explain why the Bible itself makes references to them. For example, when Jesus calls Himself "the Light of the world" (John 8:12), it's in the context of Hanukkah which originated in 1 Maccabees. And the author of Hebrews refers to Tobit when he says, "some have entertained angels unawares" (13:2), and 2 Maccabees when Hebrews says, "women received back their dead, raised to life again" (11:35). Because these texts have been judged as worthwhile reading in the Church, we are taking time to discuss them in Adult Bible Study.

Concordia Publishing House (LCMS) has compiled *The Apocrypha: The Lutheran Edition with Notes*. It is available for purchase at \$44.99 through its website (cph.org). This is a nice companion volume to your *Lutheran Study Bible*. However, a bare bones version of the texts is also available at no cost online via apocrypha.org.

→ New Worship Opportunity: Midweek Prayer

Every Wednesday at noon, beginning August 6 Church sanctuary

Whether on your lunchbreak or just need a break in your day, we invite you to join us for prayer and meditation on God's Holy Word. Every Wednesday at noon, parents and teachers of Open Arms, as well as anyone from the congregation, are encouraged to come into God's presence. We will hear Him speak through His Word, and we will pray for the world, our nation, and the deeper needs of the church and school communities. This service is simple and brief. But it will allow you to walk away refreshed and ready to finish out the week strong!

+ Sermons on YouTube

Missed a sermon? Had to walk out halfway through? Want to hear it again? No problem! Most sermons are now being recorded and posted to an official YouTube channel for you to watch at your leisure. Simply type in https://www.youtube.com/@lcaatlanta and you will be directed to the YouTube page where you have access to Pastor Miller's sermons online. Sermons are posted in the order of the date they were preached.

LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR

★ Men's Group: Atlanta Braves Watch Party

Saturday, August 9 at 12:30 P.M. Church property

The men of Ascension are getting together to watch our beloved Atlanta Braves play the Miami Marlins. Save on tickets, parking, and concessions by kicking back here at church with your favorite friends. Food and beverage will be made available, but everyone is also welcome to bring something to share. Baseball + friends + food = a great time!

! Upcoming Men's Group Events:

• September 6: Tubing Trip on the Chattahoochee

★ Upcoming Women's Group Events:

- August 16: Women's Brunch + First Responders Care Baskets (all ages)
- September 27: Floral Arrangement Workshop + Treats (ages 10+)
- October 18: Escape Room (ages 13+)
- **December 6:** Ladies' Advent Tea (all ages)

Deadline for donations: Sunday, August 31

A former son of the congregation, Charles Schnell, will be attending Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana in the fall. While seminary tuition is prepaid for students at this time, Charles will still require money for room and board, as well as his textbooks. Please consider adopting Charles and supporting his studies. Please be sure to note "Charles Schnell" in the memo line to distinguish your gift from regular plate offerings. We are accepting donations through the end of the summer so that we, as a congregation, may give a donation that matches the total sum of private donations. Thank you for supporting Charles!

+ Stepping Stone Mission: Feed the Homeless Day & Care Packages

Saturday, September 20 at 8:00 A.M. Woodruff Park 91 Peachtree Street NW Atlanta, GA 30303

Please help us pass out sundry items to the needy of our community. Please also help donate said items for the event. All supplies may be left in the church office, and must be received by Sunday, September 13. If you plan to volunteer for the event, please park along the street, such as Auburn Avenue. Thank you for your care and service to neighbor!

Items requested include:

- Bottles of water (400 total count)
- Band-Aids (200 total count)
- Toothbrushes, individually wrapped or bagged (350 total count)
- Toothpaste, travel size (350 total count)

LIFTING HOLY HANDS

Celebrations

Birthdays:

- ♣ Nancy Grossberg, 8/3
- → Jeni Miller, 8/3

Rebirthdays (Baptismal Anniversaries):

- Rev. David Miller, 8/7
- + Emilie Schoellen, 8/8

Wedding Anniversaries:

♣ None this week

Membership Anniversaries:

♣ Emilie Schoellen, 8/8

Recent Requests

For comfort, health, and recovery:

- H Bill Bigelow (brother of Anne Bigelow)
- Rev. Dr. James Clark (friend of the congregation)
- → Gail Grimes (grandmother of Laura Gollin)
- + Hellen Kaale
- → Samantha Scaglione (sister-in-law of Margaret Beckman)
- Joshua Schoellen (brother of Jason Schoellen)
- Pat Vines (mother of Darlene Beckman's friend)
- Jason Wilson (coworker of Hellen Kaale)

Special Prayers

- + Health and safety of all expecting mothers and their children, especially Margaret Beckman and baby.
- + Steady employment and fair wages for the unemployed, especially Jill Drachenberg.
- + Growth in faith and sanctification for all confirmands and adult catechumens, especially those currently going through Christian instruction at Ascension.

Ongoing Requests

For family and friends of the congregation:

- + David Abee (brother of Nancy Grossberg)
- + David and Phyllis Beckman (parents of Brian Beckman)
- + Corey Gaither (nephew of Ruth Henry)
- → Ruth Henry
- + Dee Keiger (sister of Eileen Buehl)
- Samantha Salgado (wife of Homero Salgado)
- Heidi Schnakenberg (niece of Clara Smith)
- + Charles Schnell (former member), for his formation as a pastor.
- 🛨 Evan Wells (nephew of Darlene Beckman)

For the leaders of Church and state:

- + Director Barbara Collins-Hopkins & Open Arms Board
- + English District Bishop Jeffrey G. Miskus & all district officials
- + LCMS President Matthew Harrison & all synodical officials
- + Pastor David Miller & Church Board of Lutheran Church of the Ascension
- Rev. Dr. Jonathan & Dcs. Cheryl Naumann, missionaries to Dominican Republic
- + President Donald Trump & all U.S. government officials

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T IS TAUGHT THAT THE ELEMENTS OR THE VISIBLE SPECIES OR FORMS OF THE CONSECRATED BREAD AND WINE MUST BE ADORED. HOWEVER, NO ONE—UNLESS HE IS AN ARIAN HERETIC—CAN AND WILL DENY THAT CHRIST HIMSELF, TRUE GOD AND MAN, IS TRULY AND ESSENTIALLY PRESENT IN THE SUPPER. CHRIST SHOULD BE ADORED IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH IN THE TRUE USE OF THE SACRAMENT, AS HE IS IN ALL OTHER PLACES, ESPECIALLY WHERE HIS CONGREGATION IS ASSEMBLED.

-FORMULA, SOLID DECLARATION. ARTICLE VII. THE HOLY SUPPER. 126.



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