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Production Leader: Jarod Griswold Musicians: Luke Thering, Mike James

Worship Assistants: Ellie Falkenberry, Tom Brudos, Vicki Hatleli, Mike Schnitzius, Maddie Sweeney, ELCA Youth Gathering participants, Emily Farmer

WELCOME TO THIS SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION. Lutherans believe that Christ, the Incarnate Word of God, is truly present in the Lord's Supper and that in this meal of the baptized children of God our Lord gives forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. All who seek the mercy and grace of God in this Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus are welcome to the Lord's Table.

WORSHIP SERVICES | Saturdays at 5:00pm, Sundays at 9:30am.

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HUNGRY offerings in July will be given Argyle-Apple Grove Lutheran Church. In June, their derivative church building was completely destroyed by a tornado and the church's cemetery sustained substantial damage. Argyle-Apple Grove is a small ELCA congregation in the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin.

LOGAN CHRISTOPHER BURMAN, son of Caroline and Christine Burman, whose sponsors are C.J. Schrunk and Sasha Schrunk, will be received into the Christian Church in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism today. Welcome, Logan!

CREW RICHARD COCHRAN, son of Kennedy Johnson and Ian Cochran, whose sponsors are Chase & Stephanie Johnson and Elliot Cochran, will be received into the Christian Church in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism today. Welcome, Crew!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: In Christ, we welcome, worship and work in the world.

OUR WELCOME STATEMENT: The faith community of English Lutheran Church is rooted in Christ and committed to living life generously.

We celebrate diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, economic status, marital status, physical or mental ability.

We are united in the Holy Spirit as we embrace our differences. We welcome all as we strive to be a community equipped for God's mission in the world.

We invite you to join us as we seek to promote racial equity, social and economic justice, and care for our environment.

Wherever you are on your faith journey, there is a place for you here.

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome to Worship

Gathering Hymn ELW #807 | Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing (end of bulletin) Sacrament of Holy Baptism

People of God ... pray for them in their new life in Christ? We do.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God ... now and forever. Amen.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Special Music | Melanie Matchett & Ann Kvale, arr. By Nancy Matchett Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ ... be with you all. And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray ... O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Young People's Message | Pastor Mark Kvale Psalm 85:8-13

81 will listen to what the LORD God is saying;

for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

⁹Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,

that your glory may dwell in our land.

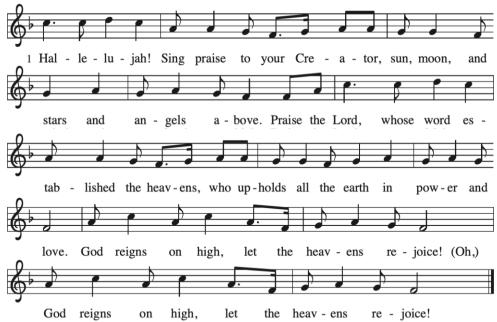
¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

- ¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will | yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation | ACS #1091 | Hallelujah! Sing Praise (vs 1)



Gospel | Mark 6:14-29

The holy gospel according to Mark... Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon | Pastor Mark Kvale

Hymn of the Day ELW #710 | Let Streams of Living Justice (end of bulletin)

Prayers of Intercession

In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Holy God ... and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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.

It is indeed right, our duty ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ACS #1089 | Holy, Holy Holy



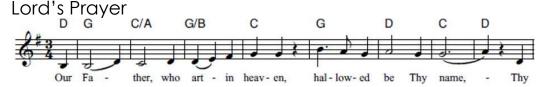


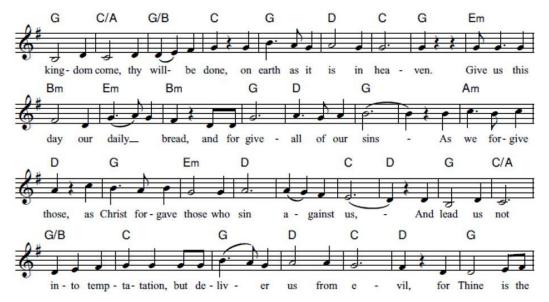




Words of Institution

During the Words of Institution, we invite you to raise the bread and the cup respectively as the pastor does. In this way, we are church together. 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.





Invitation & Distribution of Communion

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

This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

ACS #932 | Lamb of God Most Holy



Communion Hymns (last pages of bulletin)

ELW #697 Just a Closer Walk with Thee | ELW #812 Faith of Our Fathers Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his 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

Announcements

ELCA Youth Gathering Commissioning

And now, I ask the congregation ... will you receive them and their stories/experiences with love and openness? **We will and we ask God to help us.**

Almighty God + guide, bless, and keep you. **Amen. Thanks be to God.**

Sending Song ELW #717 | Let Justice Flow like Streams (last pages of bulletin)
Dismissal & Postlude

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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OUR YOUTH LEAVE MONDAY FOR NEW ORLEANS! Please keep these young people and their adult leaders in your prayers this week as they attend the ELCA Youth Gathering: Alayna Trushenski, Pearl Court, Avery Farmer, Brecken Jackson, Ethan Davey, Isaac Gabriel, Landon Trushenski, Caleb Farmer; and adult leaders Jared Kronback, Mindy Court and Emily Farmer.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



Let Streams of Living Justice



Text: William Whitla, b. 1934 Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934 Text © 1989 William Whitla.

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



Text: North American traditional Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

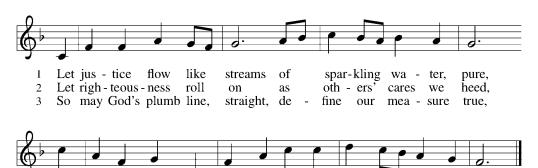
Faith of Our Fathers



Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

Music: ST. CATHERINE, Henri F. Hemy, 1818-1888; James G. Walton, 1821-1905, refrain

Let Justice Flow like Streams



en - a-bling growth, re - fresh-ing life, a - bun - dant, cleans-ing, sure. an ev - er - flow - ing stream of faith trans-lat - ed in - to deed. and jus-tice, right, and peace per-vade this world our whole life through.

Text: Jane Parker Huber, b. 1926 Music: ST. THOMAS, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776 Text © 1984 Jane Parker Huber, admin. Westminster John Knox Press