

Welcome to
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Worship 9:30am
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10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

INTRODUCTION

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

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.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCLC MISSION STATEMENT: *As children of God, called to love God and one another, we proclaim the Word of God through study, prayer, worship, and discipleship. We serve those in need within our congregation, our community, and our world as an expression of God's love for us. LOVE, PROCLAIM, SERVE!*

GATHER HYMN: *"The Church of Christ, in Every Age" ELW 729*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: **Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: 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.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

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ELW pg. 120

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: *"This is the feast.."* ELW pg. 122

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

NOISY CAN OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC: *"Friend in Jesus"* by Cain CCLI #7194284
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_1D5C0kid2g

WORD

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴² A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³ But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.' " ⁴⁴ He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 145:10-18 (Responsively)

¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹ **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion
endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful
in all your words, and loving in all 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.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

R: *The Word of the Lord.*

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW pg. 124

Gospel: John 6:1-21

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what

are they among so many people?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

P: *The gospel of the Lord.*

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Mike Erickson

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Break Now The Bread of Life"* ELW 515

NICENE CREED:

**We believe in one God, the Father,
the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;**

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: In your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

P: 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.

C: Amen.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: 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...

ELW pg. 130

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: 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.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION

**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

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and
journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING MUSIC: "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" ELW 547

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Love. Proclaim. Serve.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Prayer List

Requested: Jeanette (Davisson) Cain, Don Erickson, Jake Noggle, Karen Guyer, Lynzee Henrikson-Makowski, Karen Kohls, Ardell Fortune, Julie Albertson, Danice Cummings, Larry Kohls, Karen Kerner, Terry Cummings, Sarah Updegraff-Murray, Ashlyn Busta (niece of Kayleen Schrader).

Assisted Living, Nursing Homes & Shut-Ins: Millard Nelson, Betty Erickson, Gail Herman, Bud Siebrecht, Karen Follett, Judy Nelson.

In the Military: Jeff Kleppe, Nathan Guyer, Kennedy White.



Wed. 7/24	2-4pm	Senior Fun Day
Sun. 7/28	9:30am	Worship Service
		Holy Communion
	10:30am	Fellowship
	4pm	Sunday Mtg.

Sunday, July 21, 2024

Loose: \$72.00

Noisy Can: \$14.92


Total General Fund: \$246.92

Attendance: 30

Regular: \$160.00

Memorial Fund \$20.00 IMO Jennifer Ruckdasher for solar fund from Ruth Circle



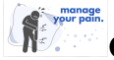
 **Noisy Can Offering** for 3rd Quarter (July-Sept.) will go to Sarah Updegraff-Murray, daughter of Sue Updegraff. Sarah fell this past winter and broke her neck. She has a made great progress, but the road to recovery is long.




Illyria Community Church VBS-Seeking Our Savior, is August 5th-8th from 5:30-7pm (meal provided). Call 563-245-3296 for more information and to register.



First Baptist of Elgin VBS is July 28th-August 1st from 6-8pm. Meal from 5-5:45pm. Registration required. You can register online at www.elgin1stbaptistvbs.myanswers.com.



Gundersen Health System will be hosting a virtual *Healthy Living with Chronic Pain* workshop Wed., afternoons for 6 wks., starting August 7. This workshop focuses on strategies for understanding and managing pain and stress management for adults. For more information, please call Vicky at 608-775-6870 or email wellness@gundersenhealth.org.

 **Elgin/Clermont/Wadena Blood Drive** is Wed., Aug. 7th from 12:30-5:30pm at the Elgin Legion Hall. See bulletin board downstairs.



Pictorial Directory Registration is now open. Our dates of photography are *Tues., Oct. 1st and Wed., Oct. 2nd* from 2-8:30pm each day. Just for participating you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a church directory. You will view your images right away and have the chance to purchase family portraits for your own memories and to give as gifts. You can make an appointment in person, after church, on communion Sundays in August, or by clicking the link at the end of this announcement. Link is open Monday-Friday. **Link:** www.ucdir.com. Click on “photography appointment scheduling login” on right. Church Code: **ia313** Password: **photos**



Direct Deposit Offering is available for your weekly/monthly offering. Simply contact the office for account and routing information. It's fast and easy!



Montauk Organ Series @ the Union Sunday School kicks off on Sunday, Aug. 25th @ 2pm. A theatrical performance by community members about the controversial presidential race between Hayes and Tilden in 1876. There will be comedy and music to enjoy! A light reception will follow the performance at the Opera House.



Compassionate Companions is the devotional in the May/June edition of the ELCA Gather Magazine used for Circle Meeting. It is a beautiful article that focuses on how congregations can play a role in mental health for all. Several copies have been placed in the downstairs entry for anyone who would like to read the devotional. The whole magazine is dedicated to mental health so, don't stop at the devotional, read on. When you are done, bring it back to the downstairs entry so someone else may enjoy!



August Worship Schedule

August 4- Church (Holy Communion)

August 11- Worship in the Park

August 18- Final Worship in the Park

August 25- Church from this point on. (Holy Communion)