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## **+ THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY +**

**August 2, 2020**

### **As We Gather** ~ Beware of False Prophets

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves” (Matt. 7:15). Deceit has its strength in masquerading as the truth. False prophets speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of the Lord (Jer. 23:16–29). They deny the judgment of the Lord, speaking peace to the unrepentant, when in truth there is condemnation and wrath. “You will recognize them by their fruits” (Matt. 7:20). The “fruits” of a true prophet are not outward righteousness or success but faithfulness in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. This is the will of the Father in heaven, that pastors take heed to the flock, the Father’s adopted ones (Rom. 8:12–17), warning them against the wolves and their lies, and shepherding the Church of God which He purchased with His own blood (Acts 20:27–38). For indeed, the cross is that good tree bearing good fruit—namely, the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

**Hymn ~ “Preach You the Word”**

LSB 586

1 Preach you the Word and plant it home To men who  
 2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task Your ser - vant  
 3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love Scat - ters a -  
 4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched And some be

like or like it not, The Word that shall en -  
 bade us un - der - take: To preach Your Word and  
 broad the good - ly seed, In - tent a - lone that  
 choked and mat - ted flat, The sow - er sows; his

dure and stand When flow'rs and men shall be for - got.  
 nev - er ask What pride - ful prof - it it may make.  
 all may have The whole - some loaves that all men need.  
 heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

5 Of all his scattered plenteousness  
 One-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,  
 And bears a harvest hundredfold:  
 "Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"

6 Preach you the Word and plant it home  
 And never faint; the Harvest Lord  
 Who gave the sower seed to sow  
 Will watch and tend His planted Word.

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## Common Versicles

LSB 219

**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.  
**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.

**C** Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

**+ PSALMODY +**

**Antiphon (Proper 3-7, Trinity 1-8)**

**L** The Lord has gath - ered us in the true faith.

**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

**Venite**

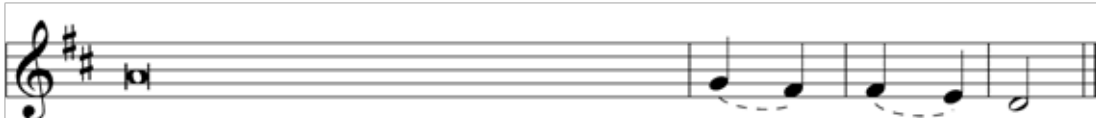
LSB 220

**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

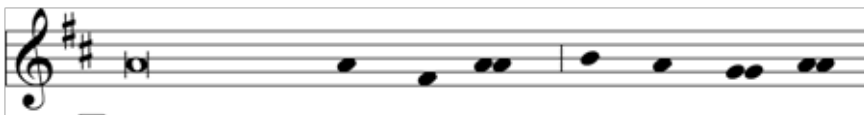


1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

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### Introit

*Psalm 48:1, 3, 11, 14; antiphon: vv. 9–10*



We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,\*  
in the midst of your | temple.  
As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth.\*  
Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.  
Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised\*  
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain.  
Within her | citadels\*  
God has made himself known as a | fortress.  
Let Mount Zion | be glad!\*  
Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!  
This is God, our God forever and | ever.\*  
He will guide us for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
 and to the Holy | Spirit;  
 as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,\*  
 in the midst of your | temple.

As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the earth.\*  
 Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.

**Hymn ““As Surely as I Live,” God Said”**

LSB 614

1 “As sure - ly as I live,” God said, “I would not  
 2 And so our Lord gave this com - mand: “Go forth and  
 3 “All those whose sins you thus re - mit I tru - ly  
 4 “What you will bind, that bound shall be; What you will  
 see the sin - ner dead. I want him turned from  
 preach in ev - 'ry land; Be - stow on all My  
 par - don and ac - quit, And those whose sins you  
 loose, that shall be free; To My dear Church the  
 er - ror's ways, Re - pen - tant, liv - ing end - less days.”  
 par - d'ning grace Who will re - pent and mend their ways.  
 will re - tain Con - demned and guilt - y shall re - main.  
 keys are giv'n To o - pen, close the gates of heav'n.”

5 The words which absolution give  
 Are His who died that we might live;  
 The minister whom Christ has sent  
 Is but His humble instrument.

7 All praise to You, O Christ, shall be  
 For absolution full and free,  
 In which You show Your richest grace;  
 From false indulgence guard our race.

6 When ministers lay on their hands,  
 Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;  
 He who by grace the Word believes  
 The purchase of His blood receives.

8 Praise God the Father and the Son  
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One,  
 As was, is now, and so shall be  
 World without end, eternally!

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## + READINGS +

### Reading

*Jeremiah 23:16–29*

16 Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. 17 They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’”

18 For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD  
to see and to hear his word,  
or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

19 Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth,  
a whirling tempest;  
it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

20 The anger of the LORD will not turn back  
until he has executed and accomplished  
the intents of his heart.

In the latter days you will understand it clearly.

21 “I did not send the prophets,  
yet they ran;  
I did not speak to them,  
yet they prophesied.

22 But if they had stood in my council,  
then they would have proclaimed my words to my people,  
and they would have turned them from their evil way,  
and from the evil of their deeds.

23 “Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? 24 Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. 25 I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ 26 How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, 27 who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? 28 Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. 29 Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

## **Reading Response**

A O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Reading**

*Romans 8:12–17*

12So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. 13For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. 15For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” 16The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

## **Reading Response**

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## **Reading**

*Matthew 7:15–23*

15[Jesus said:] “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. 16You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. 18A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. 19Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

21“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ 23And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

## **Reading Response**


A O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C Thanks be to God.**

# Responsory


LSB 221

*Verse* *To Refrain*



**L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.  
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

*Refrain*



**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

# Sermon

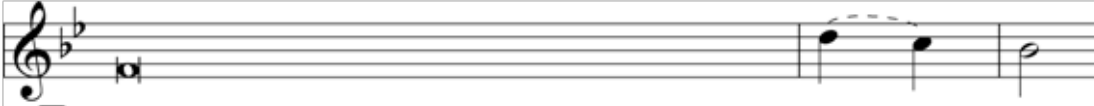
“Who’s To Say?”

*Jeremiah 23:16-29*


**+ CANTICLE +**

# Te Deum


LSB 223




**C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
 3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise You.



1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
 2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise You.  
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
 4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O Christ;



1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
 2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph - ets praise You.  
 3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com - fort - er.  
 4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,  
6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God

5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.

5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
6 We believe that . . . . . You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to . . . . . be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,  
8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
8 Govern them and lift . . . . . them up for - ev - er.  
9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints  
8 Day by day we . . . . . magni - fy You.  
9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.

7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.  
8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.  
9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

**Offering**

## + PRAYER +

### Kyrie

LSB 227



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

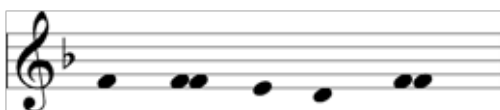
### Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

### Collects

#### Introduction to Collects

LSB 227



**L** O Lord, hear my prayer.



**G** And let my cry come to You.

#### Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may be enabled by You to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

# Prayer of the Church

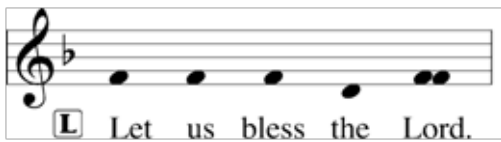
## Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day.  
Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that  
this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger,  
but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may  
be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our  
Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and forever.



## Benedicamus

LSB 228




## Benediction

LSB 228






1 In God, my faith - ful God, I trust when dark my road;  
 2 My sins fill me with care, Yet I will not de - spair.  
 3 If death my por - tion be, It brings great gain to me;  
 4 O Je - sus Christ, my Lord, So meek in deed and word,  
 5 "So be it," then, I say With all my heart each day.



Great woes may o - ver - take me, Yet He will not for - sake me.  
 I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me.  
 It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er.  
 You suf - fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us  
 Dear Lord, we all a - dore You, We sing for joy be - fore You.



My trou - bles He can al - ter; His hand lets noth - ing fal - ter.  
 To Him I will sur - ren - der, To Him, my soul's de - fend - er.  
 He gives me joy in sor - row, Come death now or to - mor - row.  
 Be heirs of heav'n - ly glad - ness When ends this life of sad - ness.  
 Guide us while here we wan - der Un - til we praise You yon - der.

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Matins from Lutheran Service Book

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# ***The Immanuel Spirit***

**Scripture Lessons for next Sunday:** 2 Samuel 22:26–34, 1 Corinthians 10:6–13 and Luke 16:1-13.

**Stewardship:** Jer. 23:17 – “They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’” Jeremiah’s day sounds a lot like our own: with self-appointed prophets in the popular media telling people exactly what they want to hear. But preachers of the true Word of the Lord do us the sometimes difficult favor of telling us what is actually true. And that often challenges us, shows us our sins, and calls us to repentance and a change in life.

**Building Healthy Families for August 2nd:** For possibly the first time in history, on every hour of any given day we hear bad news and we know we can do nothing about most of it. It’s overwhelming. As a result, a lot more people are experiencing anxiety. This week, would you give someone the gift of your time? Visit someone who is lonely or afraid. Listen to their concerns. Share encouraging words and remind them (and yourself) that God is still on His throne. “Then He placed His right hand on me and said: Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last.” Revelation 1:17 (Also, consider taking a “news” vacation for a few days by turning off the TV – try it, you’ll feel better!) ~ **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)**

**Life Quote for August 2nd:** “If God does not remember your forgiven sin, then why should you? Paul knew that when a penitent person confesses [his or her] guilt to God and seeks pardon through the merit of Christ the Savior, God forgives the sinner completely, absolutely, and without reservation.” Rev. Dr. Armin Oldsen, former speaker of “The Lutheran Hour” ~ **A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)**

**Richard and Esther Huedepohl** would like to thank the congregation for all their prayers, cards, contributions, memorials and food given to them. ~ God’s Blessings.

**Lutheran Hour Ministries for August 9th:** Hear “Over The Darkness, God Hovers” based on Genesis 1:2-3 by Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. A 5-year-old boy once observed, “God has the whole world in His hands-but sometimes He drops it.” Hear how Dr. Dale Meyer responded to that young philosopher in a classic message titled “Over the Darkness, God Hovers”. It’s “Archives August”. ~ **Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.**

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**DEFENDING THE FAITH, TEACHING THE TRUTH...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s subjects include: The Socialist Temptation, The Vocation of Singleness, Myrrhbearers Joanna, Mary and Salome, Religious Liberty and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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**Missions for August** is Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca.

**Cleaning:** Household(s) responsible for the week of 8/2—8/8 is **McDonough**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 8/9—8/15 is **Mergen**. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine (641-990-5985) no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

**Celebrating Birthdays This Week**

*Ken Mergen & Patrick Mahaffey...Today*

*Kevin Schultz...Monday*

*Sophia Eichenberger...Saturday*

**Celebrating Anniversaries This Week**

*Dennis & Bonnie Moon...Monday*

*Marvin & Ruth Honold...Wednesday*

*Tim & Pam Sittig...Saturday*

*We pray God's blessings upon you in the coming year.*

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS**

Week of July 26

Attendance	27
Communion	23
General:	\$3265.00
Missions:	\$20.00
Dwight Huedepohl Memorial:	\$25.00

## WEEK AHEAD

Today	8am	Elders Meeting
	9am	Eighth Sunday after Trinity Missions: Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca
	10:30am	Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00am	Greek Study, Pastor in Newton
	2:00pm	Board of Education
Wednesday	4:15pm	Board of Evangelism & Missions
Thursday	11am	Bible Study
Next Sunday	8am	Council Meeting
	9am	Ninth Sunday after Trinity
	10:30am	Bible Study