

St. Paul's and St. Matthias' Lutheran Churches  
Sunday Worship Service Bulletin  
July 18, 2021

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** "Air" by Tonioli

**WELCOME**

**CONFESSION** (*The assembly stands.*)

P/V: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

*(this confession is sung, the music is available in Narthex)*

I confess to You, O Lord, that I have sinned.  
I confess to You, O Lord, all my sin within.  
I have failed to live for you in the things I say and do,  
and have fallen short, of living in Your love.

Lord, have mercy on me. Lord, have mercy set me free.  
O Forgive me, Lord, I pray, and take my sin away,  
by the cross and empty grave for my soul.

I confess to You, O Lord, that I have sinned.  
I confess to you, O Lord, all my sin within.  
I have placed myself above and have hurt the ones I love,  
and I know that only You can set me free.  
Lord, have mercy on me. Lord, have mercy set me free.  
O Forgive me, Lord, I pray, and take my sin away,  
by the cross and empty grave for my soul.

P/V: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us, even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ. Our sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

**C. Amen**

**HYMN** "The Church's One Foundation"

ELW #654

1. The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word.  
From heav'n he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.
2. Elect from ev'ry nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses,  
with ev'ry grace endued.
3. Though with a scornful wonder  
this world sees her oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder,  
by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping;  
their cry goes up: "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
shall be the morn of song.
4. Through toil and tribulation  
and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation  
of peace forevermore;  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth has union  
with God, the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus!  
Lord, save us by your grace,  
that we, like saints before us,  
may see you face to face.

## GREETING

P/V: 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.**

## KYRIE

Leader or All



Se - ñor, ten pie - dad de no - so - tros. Cris - to, ten pie - dad.  
O Lord, have . . . mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

All



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Leader or All All



Se - ñor, ten pie - dad. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad.  
Have mer - cy, O Lord. Have mer - cy, O Lord.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P/V O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*(The assembly is seated)*

## WORD

**READING:** Ephesians 2:11-22

*(Read by Jane Cuccia)*

A: A reading from Ephesians the second chapter.

<sup>11</sup>Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—

<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

<sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the

two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*(The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.)*

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

P/V: The holy gospel according to St. Mark the sixth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. <sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The gospel of the Lord.

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

*(The assembly is seated.)*

## SERMON

*(The assembly stands.)*

1. Lord, speak to us, that we may speak  
in living echoes of your tone;  
as you have sought, so let us seek  
your straying children, lost and lone.
2. Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead  
the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;  
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed  
your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.
3. Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach  
the precious truths which you impart;  
and wing our words, that they may reach  
the hidden depths of many a heart.
4. Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord,  
until our very hearts o'erflow  
in kindling thought and glowing word,  
your love to tell, your praise to show.

**APOSTLES' CREED**

P/V: Together with Christians from all places and times let confess our faith with the words of the apostles' Creed

**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.**



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(WA: Read by Matthew Brockmeier)*

*(VC: Loretta Brockmeier)*

### **Invitation to Prayer**

WA: Our Shepherd, we give You thanks and praise for Your great works and attention to our prayers as we gather as a community of faith.

### **Prayer**

WA: Our Shepherd, we pray for a just, respectful and lasting solution to the long-standing conflict between Palestine and Israel. We pray for those most vulnerable to the violence, unjust laws and displacements that stir fear, suspicion, abuse and despair. Bless and sustain those working for peace, justice and healing. Hear us, O God,

**VC: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Our Shepherd, we pray for the people of Haiti. For Pastor Livenson as he ministers in the atmosphere of the assassination of the President. Hear us, O God,,

**VC: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Our Shepherd, remind us daily that we live in hope and unity, drawn together as “citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God” with Christ at the center. Help us respond to Your call to serve our neighbors in need and share the gospel with our unique gifts, skills and passions of the Spirit. Hear us, O God,

**VC: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Our Shepherd, as more bodies are recovered, continue to embrace the families and recovery workers. Also, our own family: especially Herb and Teresa (*Schaepering*), Mary (*Cramer*), Lou (*Saugstad*), Charles and Audry (*Klien*), Michael (*Perron*) and sons, Charlie and Barbara (*Christ*), Barbara Ann (*Shepherd*), James (*Glass*), Emmy (*Volenberg*), Karen (*Braaksma*), Sharon (*Matusiak*), John (*Gannon*), Pastor Dale (*Erickson*), Leilani (*Gabriele*), John (*Toth*), Arthur (*Goetze*), Linda (*Johnson*), Marcia (*Engler*), Janice (*Fernow*) Tammy, Diane (*Harrop*) and family, LaDelle (*Daly*) and we ask also for the following whom we name aloud or in our hearts:

**(Prayer leaders will pause and you are invited to unmute your mic and offer prayers.)**

WA: Hear us, O God,

**VC: Your mercy is great.**

WA: Into Your hands, we commend all for whom we pray trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Shepherd. **VC: Amen.**

*(The assembly is seated.)*

### **OFFERING**

P/V: At this time, we invite you to prayerfully consider your offering taking time to give thanks to God for all that God has given you. Our offerings are an act of our worship. There are plates located in the back of the sanctuary and here in the front. Please place your offering in the designated places when you depart from worship today. Let us prayerfully consider our offerings now.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** “Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

ELW #656

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

P/V: Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**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.**

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

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might.  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy,  
and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world  
to fulfill for us your holy will  
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,  
and the promise of his coming again,  
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought but as we are able;  
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving  
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,  
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ  
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,  
may be formed to live as your holy people  
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**C: Amen, amen, amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Together let us prayerfully sing the prayer that the Savior gave us.

**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**

Let's join in the banquet, for all is now ready.

### **COMMUNION**

The body of Christ, given for all of us.

*(Everyone partakes of the body of Christ.)*

The blood of Christ, shed for all of us.

*(Everyone partakes of the blood of Christ.)*

*(After everyone partakes of the body and blood of Christ, we will sing "Lamb of God".)*

## LAMB OF GOD

☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING

P: God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

ELW #789

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us;  
much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us,  
for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.
2. We are yours; in love befriend us,  
be the guardian of our way;  
keep your flock, from sin defend us,  
seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.
3. You have promised to receive us,  
poor and sinful though we be;  
you have mercy to relieve us,  
grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
early let us turn to you.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
early let us turn to you.
4. Early let us seek your favor,  
early let us do your will;  
blessed Lord and only Savior,  
with your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.

## DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C: Thanks be to God.**