



The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
St. John's Lutheran Church
 Red Bud, Illinois
 August 31-September 1, 2019



PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.
OPENING HYMN: 411 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

(5 p.m.) Holy Baptism pages 268ff.

Divine Service Four, page 203ff. (please stand if you are able)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 203

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

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

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

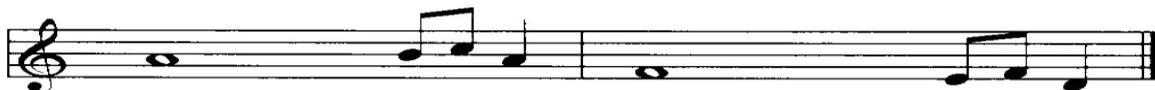
P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, (and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar), let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

We Share God's Peace With and Greet One Another

INTROIT: Psalm 75



It is God who executes judgment,	putting down one and lifting up an- other.
We give thanks for Your name is near.	We recount Your wondrous deeds.
At the set time that I appoint	I will judge with equity.
For not from the east or from the west	and not from the wilderness comes lifting up,
But I will declare it for- ever;	I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.
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.
It is God who executes judgment,	putting down one and lifting up an- other.

KYRIE: page 204 (*sung*) "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy."

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: page 204

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.** P: Let us pray.

C: O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Proverbs 25:2-10

It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

P: Fear the Lord, you His saints,

C: for those who fear Him lack nothing!

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C: but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

THE EPISTLE READING:

Hebrews 13:1-17

Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for He has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them.

We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through His own blood. Therefore let us go to Him outside the camp and bear the reproach He endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you. P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand if you are able) **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** page 205

(sung) **Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. These things are written that you may be-lieve that Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 14:1-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. And He said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things.

Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

He said also to the man who had invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just." P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed

(5 p.m. & 8 a.m.) **The Nicene Creed: page 206** *(10:30 a.m.)* **The Apostles' Creed: page 207**

(please be seated)

(10:30 a.m.) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: LSB 685**

Let us ev-er walk with Je-sus, Fol-low His ex-am-ple pure,
Through a world that would de-ceive us And to sin our spir-its lure.
On-ward in His foot-steps tread-ing, Pil-grims here, our home a-bove,
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Fa-ther's bid-ding
Faith-ful Lord, with me a-bide; I shall fol-low where You guide.

HYMN OF THE DAY: 848 "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

SERMON: "Humble" Luke 14:1-14

Pastor: Most gracious Father, may the words of my mouth,

Congregation: and the meditations of our hearts,

ALL: be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. Amen. (Psalm 19:14)

(please stand if you are able)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition ends "let us pray to the Lord" and we respond, "Lord, have mercy.")

HEALING AND COMFORT: Olivia Schmitz, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttmann, Arlou Papenberg, Clifford Stellhorn, Curtis Hartmann, Larry Ebers, Jane Donjon, Julie Ratz, Wayne Liefer, Randy Grohmann, Susie Harms, Lori Rees; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Derrick DeWilde, Henry Hunter, Harlow Leedle, Brett Montroy, Chas Walster, Rev. Herb Mueller, Jr., Renee Reed, Bob Schilling, Max Schrader, Margarete Schrader. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: *(Please call with names.)* Army- Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Casey Vallett, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Tanner Valleroy; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Tanner Hackstadt, Chaplain George Kahl, Gage Baldwin; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Brent Knop, Keenan Turnure

+thanksgiving for the 65th wedding anniversary of Omer and Neva Liefer on September 5 and 32nd wedding anniversary of Dave and CeeCee Liefer on the same date

+those who mourn: the families of Jeannine Belt (mother of Jody Stapleton) and Trooper Nick Hopkins

(please be seated) **OFFERING**

The 10:30 a.m. service continues with the Lord's Prayer, Closing Prayer and Benediction.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 208ff. *(please stand)*

PREFACE and SANCTUS: page 208

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING and LORD'S PRAYER: page 209

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD and THE PAX DOMINI: page 209

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI: page 210

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *(please be seated)*

625 "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread"

807 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

850 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Nunc Dimittis" page 211

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT: page 212

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION: page 212

CLOSING HYMN: 660 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

THE POSTLUDE

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