



SHEPHERD OF THE PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Morning Worship
July 28, 2024
9:00 a.m.

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

(please stand as you are able)

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, **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.**

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, 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. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

All Are Welcome

ELW 641

Greeting

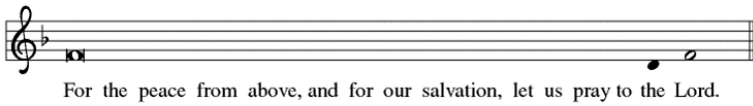
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie



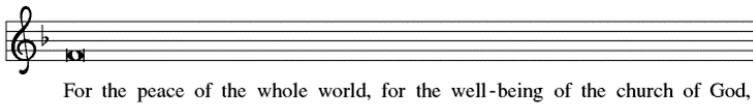
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



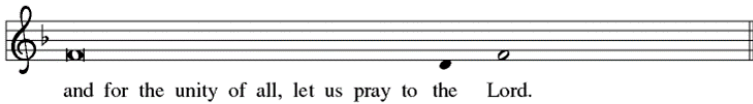
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



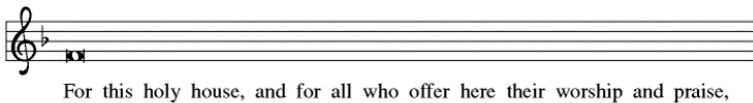
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



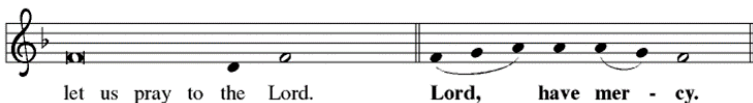
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



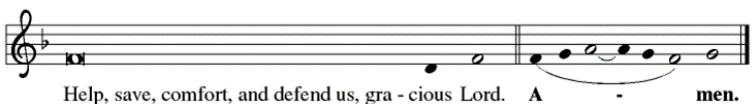
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - - men.**

Hymn Of Praise

You Are Holy

ELW 525

Prayer Of The Day

(please be seated)

Community Moment

Reading

Reader: The Reading today is from Ephesians 4:1-6

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Reader: The Psalm today is from Psalm 78

Yet he commanded the skies above,
and opened the doors of heaven;

**he rained down on them manna to eat,
and gave them the grain of heaven.**

Mortals ate of the bread of angels;
he sent them food in abundance.

**He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens,
and by his power he led out the south wind;**

he rained flesh upon them like dust,
winged birds like the sand of the seas;

**he let them fall within their camp,
all around their dwellings.**

And they ate and were well filled,
for he gave them what they craved.

Reader: Word of God, word of Life.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand as you are able)

Gospel Acclamation

(ELW p. 142)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Mark 6:45-52

Preacher: The Gospel according to Mark the 6th chapter.

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

Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

When evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. When he saw that they were straining at the oars against an adverse wind, he came towards them early in the morning, walking on the sea. He intended to pass them by. But when they saw him walking on the sea, they thought it was a ghost and cried out; for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Then he got into the boat with them and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded,

52for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

(please be seated)

The Message

Pastor Mark Boster

Hymn of the Day

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness ELW 843

The Apostle's 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.**

The Prayers

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

A brief silence.

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land:
Through the One who is the cornerstone of a firm
foundation, join us together and build us up as a temple

of mercy and peace. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the leaders of nations and heads of tribes (*especially*): Where peace seems far off, bring it near. Where justice seems fleeting, bring it to light. Where discord seems relentless, bring harmony. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick (*especially those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts*). Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for those who have died. Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God. In your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Presiding Minister:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Greet one another: **“Peace be with you.”**

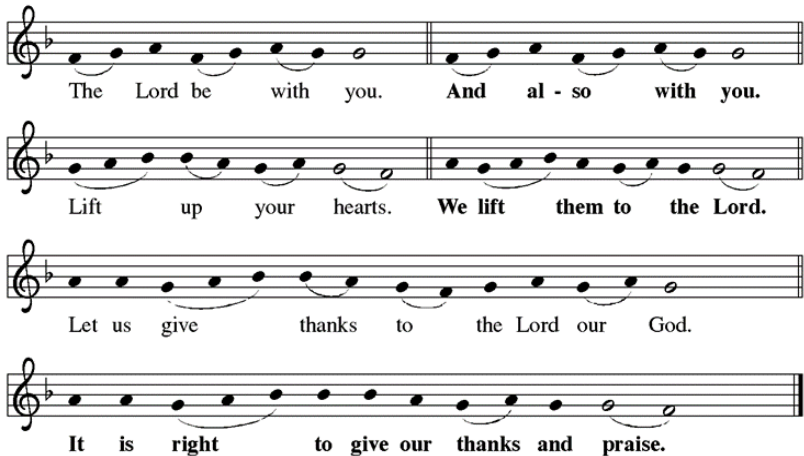
Offering

Offering Prayer

Assisting Minister: 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



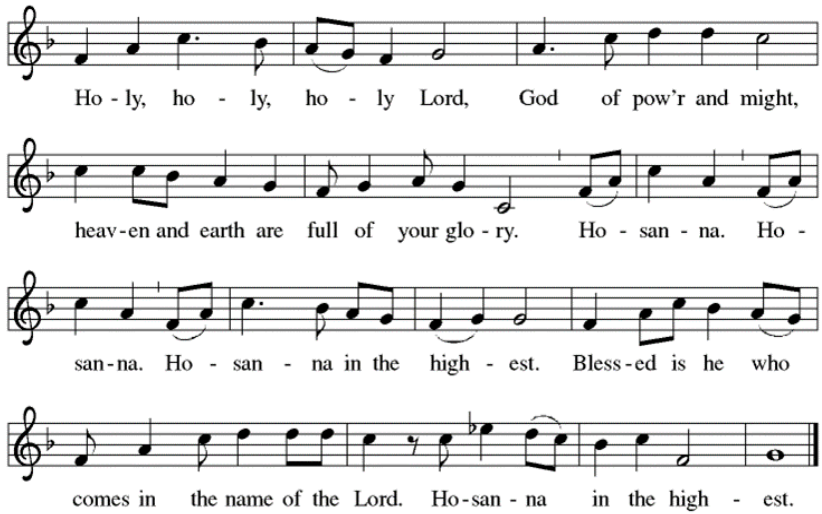
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

Presiding Minister: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. 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.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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

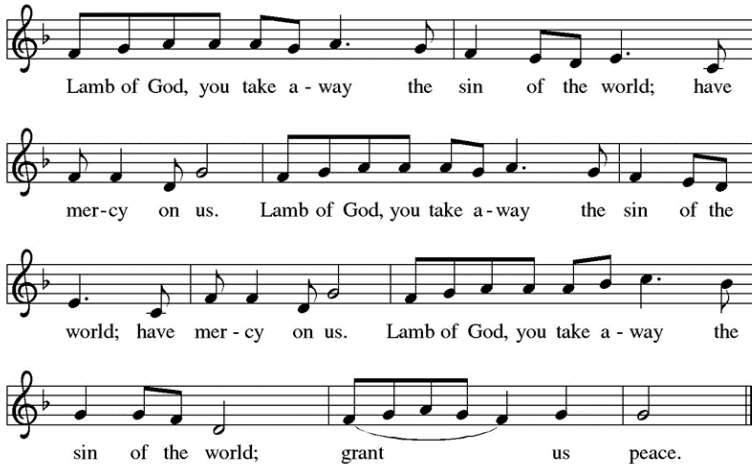
Christ has set the table with more than enough for
 all. Come and be fed!

Communion Distribution

Distribution Music

Lamb of God

(ELW p. 146)



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

Christ Our Peace

ACS 1037

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ ELW 674

Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

Prayer

Assisting Minister: 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.

Benediction

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

Amen.

Sending Hymn

How Great Thou Art

ELW 856

Dismissal

Assisting Minister:

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude