Faith Lutheran Church - Worship and Communion August 4, 2024 at 9:30 AM The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! We are a family of faith, and glad you are here! We are all in the blue hymnal at your seat called "With One Voice." The confession is on page 10, then the rest of the liturgy proceeds from page 28 (Holy Communion V).

Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex (entrance area), providing activities on today's scripture readings. Please enjoy.

God is present in **Holy Communion** and welcomes all who are hungry. You are welcome to the table. Non-communing children and adults may come forward for a blessing. Let an usher know if you would like communion at your seat.

Hymns today: Prelude: *Let Us Break the Bread Together -*

Piano and Cello, an interpretation of Ed Lojeski's arrangement.

Gathering: #776 Be Thou My Vision

Hymn of the Day: #700 I Received the LIving God

Communion Hymns: #701 What Feast of Love

#777 In the Morning When I Rise #664 A New Commandment

Sending Hymn: #760 For the Fruit of All Creation



Flowers today are given by the Mauldins in honor of their daughter's birthday.

<u>Serving Today:</u> Greeter, Kathy W / Acolyte, Pesis Family / Reader, Pam S / Asst Minister, Erica W / Cantor, Wes G / Ushers, Debbie H & Tom L / Altar Guild, Kathy W & Trish D / Tech Support, The FLC Tech Team / Counters, Linda Z & Theresa W / Coffee after Worship, Happy Birthday for August from your Communications Team!

-GATHERING-

WOV Holy Communion Setting Five

Announcements

Short musical interlude

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pr: Please join us on page 10 of your hymnal. In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God.

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

GREETING

Pr: Please join us on pg 28 of your hymnal.

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

Cantor: Kyrie eleison: **Lord, have mercy.**

Cantor: Christe eleison: **Christ, have mercy.**

Cantor: Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy.

-WORD-

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'" In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 78:23-29

So God commanded the | clouds above and opened the | doors of heaven, raining down manna upon | them to eat and giving them | grain from heaven.

So mortals ate the | bread of angels; God provided for them | food enough.

The LORD caused the east wind to blow | in the heavens

and powerfully led out | the south wind,

raining down flesh upon | them like dust and flying birds like the sand | of the seas, letting them fall in the midst | of the camp and round a- | bout the dwellings.

So the people ate and | were well filled, for God gave them | what they craved.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:1-16

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. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg 31 of WOV)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter, Glory to you, O Lord.

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the

true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON Rev. Shaun O'Reilly

HYMN OF THE DAY

CREED

A: We confess our faith with the Apostle's Creed, on pg. 33. (it's printed in the hymnal)

THE PRAYERS

-MEAL-

PEACE The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. **And also 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.**

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 THE TABLE COMMUNION AND HYMNS

- Lamb of God

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

-SENDING-

BIRTHDAYS AND BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

Eternal Goodness, I shall contemplate myself in you. By this light I shall come to know that you, eternal Trinity, are table and food and waiter for us.

You, eternal Father, are the table that offers us as food the Lamb, your only-begotten Son. He is the most exquisite of foods for us, both in his teaching, which nourishes us in your will, and in the sacrament that we receive in Holy Communion, which feeds and strengthens us while we are pilgrim travelers in this life.

And the Holy Spirit is indeed a waiter for us, who serves us this teaching by enlightening our mind's eye with it and inspiring us to follow it, and who serves us charity for our neighbors and the salvation of the whole world for the Father's honor.

—Catherine of Siena

[The Prayers of Catherine of Siena, 101-102.]