

WELCOME HOME! **BAY VIEW** **LUTHERAN CHURCH** ELCA



August 15, 2021
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
8:00 & 10:30 AM

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP: BASED ON EPHESIANS 5

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Give thanks to God!

**We thank God for joy, for laughter,
for abundant blessings of every kind.**

Give thanks to God

at all times and for everything!

**We thank God, when we can and as we can,
for struggles, for solitude, for fears.**

Give thanks to God

at all times and for everything

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**We thank God that, in Christ,
our joys as well as our pain,
our losses as well as our laughter,
are in God's heart and hands.**

OPENING PRAYER: CELEBRATING GRACE

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I would prefer

to be left

leaning against the wall,

shuffling my two left feet,

watching the world

twirl by;

but you take me by the hand

to teach me

the dance steps

of grace;

when i walk near
the piano,
it shudders,
hoping
i will not sit down;
but you take my fingers
and place them on the keys,
whispering,
"play, play with joy, play!"

even with
the biggest bucket,
i can't carry a tune;
but you push me
out onto the stage,
introducing me as
the new soloist
in the Good News Choir.

i will celebrate your joy,
sing your hope,
play your love,
leaping and whirling
in your grace
forever!

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on **Lectionary Liturgies**.
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excellent lectionary-based resources.

Call to Reconciliation

In a world with much evil,
God continues to work for good.
In a culture which worships foolishness,
God still offers wisdom as a gift.
In a time filled with lies,
God's promises are true.
In a society obsessed with "reality,"

God's love is constant.

Let us come to the One who offers the Bread of Life,
the promise of redemption,
and the grace of forgiveness.

Please join me as we pray,

Unison Prayer of Confession

**You must shake your head in wonder at our ways,
Keeper of the Covenant.**

**How can we say we want wisdom,
when we foolishly squander the knowledge we have of your
ways?**

**How can we claim to follow you,
when we walk the slippery roads of the world
not caring where they lead us?**

**How can we desire your great and steadfast love,
when the simple seductions of our society are in full view
every day?**

**How can you have mercy on such unwise and unfaithful
people,
Perfect Wisdom?**

**Yet, that is exactly what you do:
and our greed turns to gratitude,
our pettiness to praise,
our tantrums to thanksgiving,
as hope and joy become our blessing
through the One we call our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Silent Prayers may be offered

Assurance of Pardon

In Christ, God sent redemption for all.
In Christ, God feeds our hungry souls.
In Christ, God gives the cup of salvation
to thirsty people.

We give thanks to God for everything:
forgiveness, hope, new life. Amen.

8:00-GATHERING SONG: *Come, Thou Almighty King*
(ELW 408)

- 1 Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, thou incarnate Word,
merciful, mighty Lord;
our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
and give thy word success,
and let thy righteousness
on us descend.
- 3 Come, holy Comforter,
thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour!
Thou who almighty art,
rule now in ev'ry heart,
never from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.
- 4 To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore.

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10:30-GATHERING SONG: *On Bended Knee*

Verse 1

On bended knee I come
With a humble heart I come
Bowing down before Your holy throne
Lifting holy hands to You
As I pledge my love anew
I worship You in spirit
I worship You in truth
Make my life a holy praise unto You

Verse 2

On bended knee we come
With a humble heart we come
Bowing down before Your holy throne
Lifting holy hands to You
As we pledge our love anew
We worship You in spirit
We worship You in truth
Make our lives a holy praise unto You (2X)

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Ever-loving God,

**your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world.
Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be
strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you
continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

A reading from Proverbs.

- ¹Wisdom has built her house,
she has hewn her seven pillars.
²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,
she has also set her table.
³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls
from the highest places in the town,
⁴“You that are simple, turn in here!”
To those without sense she says,
⁵“Come, eat of my bread
and drink of the wine I have mixed.
⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live,
and walk in the way of insight.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:9-14

- ⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
¹⁰**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**
¹¹Come, children, and listen to me;
I will teach you reverence for the LORD.
¹²**Who among you takes pleasure in life
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**
¹³Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from lying words.
¹⁴**Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from Ephesians.

- ¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise,

¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹“I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

10:30 CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

10:30 PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

SERMON: Pastor Jeff Greathouse

8:00-HYMN OF THE DAY: *My Life Flows On in Endless Song* (ELW 763)

- 1 My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

- 2 Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

- 3 What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain*

- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

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10:30-HYMN OF THE DAY: Halle Halle Halle

Chorus

Halle halle hallelujah
Halle halle hallelujah
Halle halle hallelujah
Hallelujah hallelujah

Verse 1

Praise God in this holy place
Every nation every race
Come make joyful music to the Lord
Sound the trumpet sound it clear
Sound it for the world to hear
Come make joyful music to the Lord

Verse 2

Everything that breathes now praise
Sing your songs let voices raise
Come make joyful music to the Lord
Play the cymbals play the lute
Play the timbrel play the flute
Come make joyful music to the Lord

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ written by Paul Sauer, and posted on the Lutheran Forum website. <http://www.lutheranforum.org/>

Holy Spirit,
fill us all with the wisdom of God,
by walking in His ways
and keeping His commandments all the days of our lives.

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

Holy Spirit,
fill us with true reverence for the Lord,
that we may turn from evil, do good and seek peace.

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

Holy Spirit,
as we sing praises to God with our voices,
help us sing with our hearts full of love.

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
living bread from heaven,
as you were sent to us from the living Father,
you have fed us with your own flesh and blood.
As you live in us, that we may live forever,
help us live lives that reflect your love and grace.

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

Help us, Heavenly Father,
to see the whole world as your world, worthy of loving.
Bring the nations together,
that peace and good will may replace fear and rancor.

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

Our frail bodies, Lord Jesus, need so much attention and healing.
As we pray for one another,
remind us of the new body promised each of us on the day of
resurrection.

Remembering in our prayers:

Paul (Jacobson), **Donovan** (Antholt), **Vicki** (Wittenberg), **Mimi**
(Zinngabe), **Janet** (Mickelson), **Deanne & Chris** (Schafer),
Kevin & Cathy (Clark), **Steven** (Leek), **Dan** (Coyhis), **Sasha**
(Hill), **Fred & Darlene** (Kirch), **Sandy** (Scott-Cota), **David**
(Slamka), **Rusty** (Feld), **Shelby** (Swiggum), **Kayla** (Fleury),
Rich (Mickelson), **Carl** (Scholz), **Tysha** (Osborne),
Dale (Lyndahl), **Beth** (Jacobson), **Michael** (Cassity), **Karen**
(Johnson), **Sue** (Strong), **Larry** (Uecker), **Carol** (Bockop),
Andrew (Snyder), **the family & friends of Karen** (Johnson), **the**
family & friends of Ardena (Nichols).

Loving God, you hear our prayers: **You live among us.**

The love of God has won. The new life has begun. Amen.

8:00-PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

8:00-MUSIC DURING OFFERING: Janet Anderson

10:30-MUSIC DURING OFFERING: *Humble King*

Verse

Oh kneel me down again
Here at Your feet
Show me how much You love
Humility
Oh Spirit be the star
That leads me to
The humble heart of love
I see in You

Chorus

('Cause) You are the God of the broken
The friend of the weak
You wash the feet of the weary
Embrace the ones in need
I want to be like You Jesus
To have this heart in me
You are the God of the humble
You are the humble King

Ending

You are the God of the humble
You are the humble King

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OFFERING PRAYER

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.

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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!

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

8:00 & 10:30-HYMN DURING COMMUNION: *One Bread, One Body* (ELW 496)

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all;
one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. *Refrain*
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING BLESSING: BASED ON EPHESIANS 5

~ Written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on Bruce Prewer's
Home Page. <http://www.bruceprewer.com/>

These are complex times.

Let us look carefully how you walk,
not blundering along like fools,
but as those who are wise with the wisdom of Christ.

**Wherever we go and whatever happens to us,
we will give thanks to God,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Grace mercy and peace,
from God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
will be with you today
and always.

Amen!

8:00-SENDING SONG: *We Are Marching in the Light:*
Siyahamba (ELW 866)

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib:

We are dancing . . .
We are praying . . .
We are singing . . .

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10:30 SENDING SONG: My Life is in You

Chorus

My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You
My life is in You Lord
My strength is in You Lord
My hope is in You Lord
In You it's in You

Verse

I will praise You
With all of my life
I will praise You
With all of my strength
With all of my life
With all of my strength
All of my hope is in You

Ending

In You

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Thanks be to God.

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