

# Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

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+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Divine Setting Four pg. 203 in the hymnal

**BELL CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING HYMN**

*“Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good”*

**#819**

**INVOCATION + CONFESSION + ABSOLUTION**

**KYRIE**

*“Lord, Have Mercy”*

**GLORIA**

*“Glory to God in the Highest”*

**COLLECT**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Jeremiah 23:1-6 (ESV)**

*God warns the leaders of Judah that they will soon be judged for their abuse of the people. In their place, the LORD will raise up a Righteous Branch, the Good Shepherd who is Jesus.*

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

**Ephesians 2:11-22 (ESV)**

*Paul describes how Jesus broke down the divisions between Jews and Gentiles when he died on the cross. Now all people have equal access to God through faith in Jesus' blood.*

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands-- remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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**GOSPEL READING**

**Mark 6:30-44 (ESV)**

*Jesus patiently teaches the crowds who have followed him into a desolate place, hungry in both body and soul. He miraculously feeds them all with bread and fish.* P: The Holy Gospel according to St Mark the sixth chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE  
HYMN OF THE DAY  
SERMON  
OFFERING  
OFFERTORY  
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*"The Church's One Foundation"*

Jody Wiemer  
#644

*"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"*

#955

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

PREFACE  
SANCTUS  
LORD'S PRAYER  
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

*"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"*

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AGNUS DEI  
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

*"Lamb of God"*

#625 *"Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread"*

#735 *"Have No Fear, Little Flock"*

#740 *"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"*

#729 *"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"*

DISMISSAL

NUNC DIMITTIS

*"Song of Simeon"*

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev David Feddern, Zion Lutheran Church & School, Hampton

Rev Eddie Mekasha, missionary to Sudanese and Ethiopian Immigrants

#### For Our Congregation and Community:

Mary Reeves (niece of Bobbie Luce) diagnosed with breast cancer

Sharon Owens successful healing from surgery on Monday July 19

Pauline Bulgrin having surgery on Wednesday July 21

Family of Alan Strauch (Bonnie's and Pastor Gudgels brother-in-law, Alan was my sister Ruth's husband)

Dealing with an illness: Loyola Dvorak, Sharron Owens, Pauline Bulgrin, Pat Koch,

Karen Stuart (Roy Richter's mother), Andrea Swanson Kuester, Jenni Conell, Shelley Scheele,

Stephen Ramsey, Roger Rhodes, Mitch Peeks, Bill Chessar (brother of Teresa Rathjen), Sheila Franks,

Dick Greenwood, Carole Stern (Heather Wellman's mother), Shelley Neemeyer (Sheri Hahn's sister-in-law),

Anna (Friend of DuAnne Deremer)

Recovering from surgery: Karen Clausen, Merle Schmieding

Declining Health: LaVern Stuhr

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***In Response to God's Love***

**July 11:** Total Attendance: 204 Visitors: 4 Online: 60

### VOLUNTEERS:

**TODAY(07-18-21) Acolyte:** Garrett Brandenburg

**Lay Reader:** Jeremy Gumaer

**Organist:** Dylan Teut

**THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY (07-18)            9:00 AM    Worship w/Communion  
                                  10:30 AM    Bible Study  
                                  6:00 PM    Youth Gathering Meeting

MONDAY (07-19)            -----  
TUESDAY (07-20)          1:30 PM    Nimble Thimbles  
WEDNESDAY (07-21)       6:00 PM    Youth Paint War  
THURSDAY (07-22)        -----  
FRIDAY (07-23)            6:00 AM    Men's Bible Study  
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                                  Brittany out of the office

SATURDAY (07-24)        -----  
SUNDAY (07-25)          9:00 AM    Worship  
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As of 07-14-21	Amount received 07-11-21	Needed each week	Received YTD 2021	YTD Amount needed to cover 2021 budget	Difference
General Fund	\$8,926.00		\$318,108.00		
Thrivent Choice	\$0.00		\$3,880.00		
School Tuition	\$0.00		\$19,256.00		
<b>Total</b>	\$8,926.00	\$19,046.00	\$341,244.00	\$429,874.00	-\$88,630.00
Building Fund	\$0.00		\$300.00	Bldg Fund**	\$7,980.00
Teacherage Fund	\$0.00		\$525.00	Teacherage Fund	\$600.00
Restricted Funds (other than bldg)	\$0.00		\$1,601.00		
Mekasha Mission (9/20-8/21) 5k goal	\$220.00	\$56.00	\$4,605.00	\$4,327.00	\$278.00

Current Operating Note: \$60,000.00 (debt limit is \$90,000)    \*\*Insurance Proceeds Received

***SCHOOL CLEANING Monday, July 26, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM has been scheduled for school cleaning. All school families are asked to spend an hour or two "spring cleaning" the school in preparation for the upcoming school year. Everyone is invited and welcome. If you have an itch to clean, and you would like to help out, please plan on spending some time with us at school cleaning on July 26. Buckets, rags, ladders, and cleaning supplies will be provided; we just need helpers as many hands make the work go quickly and much more pleasantly. Thank you.***

***Our Lord continues to prove to our family that "God's Got This." Along with His angels protecting me through the accident He oversaw the medical teams and healing process. Joining Him was my Christian Family from St. Paul, the York Community and family sending prayers for healing. Thank you so much for your loving support. Amy and I are blessed as my healing continues.***

***Shalom Aleichem, Woody***

***Today Sunday, July 18th at 6 pm we will be having a meeting about the LCMS Youth Gathering in 2022. All youth between the ages of 13-19 are eligible to attend the Youth Gathering. Join us in the Fellowship Hall to learn more about this event! Contact Brittany with any questions.***

***On July 21st we will be having a Paint War at 6 pm. Make sure you wear clothes you are okay getting paint on!  
Hope you can join us for a fun evening!***

***Join us for a tanking trip August 15th at Broken Arrow in Fullerton, NE. We will leave right after church is over.  
We have limited spots so make sure to reserve your spot. Contact Brittany to sign up!***

***The Staehr-Stahr-Wellman Reunion will be on **Sunday, August 1st, starting at noon**, in the St. Paul Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Staehr.***

***Josephine Turnbull and Girl Scout Troop 20538 are collecting items to furnish a home for a refugee family, through Lutheran Family Services. A list of supplies being collected can be found on the bulletin board and at the Welcome Center. Small items may be left in the collection box. For larger items or questions, contact Josephine or Stacie at [stacie.turnbull@gmail.com](mailto:stacie.turnbull@gmail.com) or 402-266-1529.  
Thank you for supporting this project!***

***Need for Volunteers for the Welcome Center and Greeter beginning in August.***

***Please contact Sandy Schlechte e-mail: [sandyschlechte@hotmail.com](mailto:sandyschlechte@hotmail.com)  
402-366-0074 or text 402-728-5306***

***phone:***

***Garage Sale at Utica St. Patrick's during Utica Heritage Days July 23 from 8 to 6 &  
July 24 from 8 to Noon. Other garage sales in the community at this same time.***

***The Utica Area Lions are again selling Colorado peaches and pears. They are \$40 for a 20# box of peaches and \$30 for a 20# box of pears. You may order half boxes. Please contact a Utica Lions member or one of the following: Sandi -- 402-534-4791 or Ardee 402-534-2281. Orders will be taken until July 23. If you get an answering machine, be sure to leave your name and phone number.***