

# 8<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 23, 2023



**St. Luke Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
2695 Luther Drive | Chambersburg, Pennsylvania | 17202

***"SHARING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST"***

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*When Morning Glides the Skies*

John Carter

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the  Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

### OPENING HYMN

*O Holy Spirit, Enter In*

ELW 786

### APOSTOLIC GREETING

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

### FIRST READING

Isaiah 44:6-8

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

Psalms 86:11-17

*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*

<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth;  
give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

<sup>12</sup>**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart,  
and glorify your name forevermore.**

<sup>13</sup>For great is your love toward me;  
you have delivered me from the pit of death.

<sup>14</sup>**The arrogant rise up against me, O God,  
and a band of violent people seeks my life;  
they have not set you before their eyes.**

<sup>15</sup>But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

<sup>16</sup>**Turn to me and have mercy on me;  
give your strength to your servant,  
and save the child of your handmaid.**

<sup>17</sup>Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame;  
because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

### SECOND READING

Romans 8:12-25

*Response after the reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia.* My word shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. *Alleluia. (Isa. 55:11)*

## GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew:  
The Gospel of the Lord.

**Glory to you, O Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*On What Has Now Been Sown*

ELW 550

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

**After each petition:** Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

## OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN     *God's Glory Is All Around*     Arr. Stewart Landon

## OFFERTORY

*"The Doxology"*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

## OFFERING PRAYER

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Words on Screen**

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

WOV 616A

### Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: LAND OF REST, American folk tune  
Text: "Sanctus," tr. English Language Liturgical Consultation

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### 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.**

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

ELW 465, 679, 818, 631

**COMMUNION BLESSING**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING HYMN**

*Let All Things Now Living*

ELW 881

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*March in G*

John S. Dixon



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Lector: Craig Heckert

Communion Assistants:

Bob Huss & Sue Cline

Acolyte: Jon Mao

Greeters: Sue Cline & Jon Mao

Altar Guild: Bob & Marge Kane

Ushers: Jerry & Cathy Peters

Offering Counters:

Dick & JoAnn Wildeson

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A/V Slides: Gail Cox

**Faith Formation/Christian  
Education**

Sunday 8:45 a.m.

**Worship with Holy  
Communion**

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

**Holy Communion with  
Rite of Healing**

Wednesday 11:00 a.m. (Chapel)

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