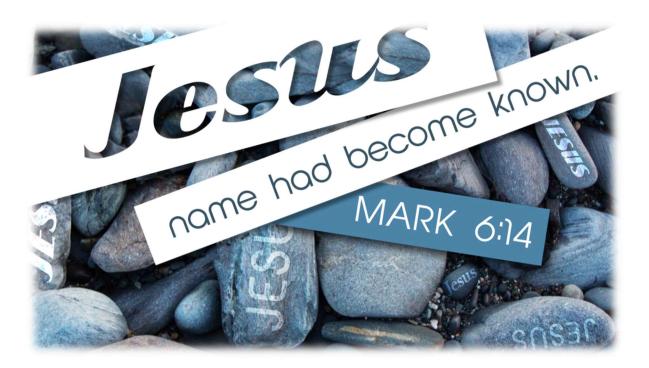
St. Luke Lutheran Church

"Energized by God's Love" Dynamisé par l'amour de Dieu

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# Evangelical Lutheran Worship 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Setting X July 14, 2024



**Dear Members & Guests - Welcome to Worship!** 

God has greatly blessed us with your presence today. Thank you for responding to his invitation.

If you have a prayer request, please send it by email or voicemail to Letty in the church office.

# **SERVING US THIS MORNING**

# Ministers: All of the Members of this Congregation!

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Assistant Minister: Linda Baginski Lector(s): Mark Kent (1<sup>st</sup> Reading & the Psalm) & TBD (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) Children's Message: Kirk Autsen Eucharist Assistant(s): Roy & Theresa Tuason Altar Guild: Georgine Acly, Bee Robles & Shirley Loo Greeters: Joyce Masterson (Front Door), Roy & Theresa Tuason (Side Door) Worship Team: Andy Wadsworth, Beth Stauter, Wil & Deb Mandac Background Worship: Beth Stauter Organist: Beth Stauter Choir Director: Chris Frye Bell Choir Director: Wil Mandac Tech Team: Andy Wadsworth, Alan Martinez, Ethan ElAmir, Justine Skov, Madeleine Gan, Olivia Mitchell, Ryan Peters, Tim and Denise Tsang Prayer Chain Coordinator: Marlene Custer

Hearing Assistance devices are available in the Library/AV Room.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"IN PEACEFUL REST"

**Beth Stauter** 

(By Theodore duBois, Arr. By Lani Smith)

#### WELCOME

Pastor Dan Tisdel

GATHERING HYMN "COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING" ELW #807

#### INVOCATION

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

### [C] And also with you.

KYRIE (Sung by all)

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair. Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin. Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

(music found on page 204)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE – GLORY TO GOD IN HEAVEN (music fou Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth: we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- [A] Let us pray...
- [C] O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WITH KIRK AUTSEN

# GOD ENCOUNTERS HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

## 1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Amos 7:7-15

Amos is not the kind of prophet attached to temples or royal courts. Rather, he is an ordinary farmer from Judah (the southern kingdom) called by God to speak to Israel (the northern kingdom). God's word of judgment through Amos conflicts with the king's court prophet Amaziah, whom Amos encounters at Bethel.

This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

#### Psalm 85:8-13

#### OT => Old Testament windows (right) side of sanctuary NT => New Testament windows (left) side of sanctuary

- [NT] I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.
- [OT] Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land.
- [NT] Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- [OT] Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- [NT] The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
- [C] Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.

### SPECIAL MUSIC "THE CHURCH IN THE WILDWOOD" Sung by Mark Kent

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Ephesians 1:3-14

In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup> just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He

destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup> he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

(music found on page 205)

#### Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

- [P] This is the Holy Gospel according to Mark ...
- [C] Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

#### Gospel – Mark 6:14-29

#### **Read by Pastor Dan Tisdel**

As Jesus and his disciples begin to attract attention, Mark recalls the story of John the Baptist's martyrdom. Like John, Jesus and his disciples will also suffer at the hands of those opposed to the gospel of salvation.

King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

- [P] This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- [C] Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE "SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER" Pastor Dan Tisdel

HYMN OF THE DAY"LET JUSTICE FLOW LIKE STREAMS"ELW #717

#### **GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Prayer requests collected in the offering plates will be brought forward for the Prayers of the People.

#### **PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS**

- [A] Let us pray...
- [C] Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

[C] 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.

(\*universal)

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[P & A] In your mercy,

[C] Hear our prayer.

#### PEACE OF CHRIST

#### TRANSITIONAL PRAYER

- [A] Let us pray...
- [C] Oh God, Each time I worship and take communion, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit and help me grow closer to you and to my neighbor. Amen.

#### MEAL

#### The Great Thanksgiving

- [P] The Lord be with you.
- [C] And also with you.
- [P] Lift up your hearts.
- [C] We lift them to the Lord.
- [P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- [C] It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- [P] It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BLESSING

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

[C] 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.

#### "LAMB OF GOD"

(music found on page 208)

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION - THE EUCHARIST (be seated)

Our Lord Jesus is the host of his table. He invites all to come to him. Everyone is welcome to commune with communion fellowship cups or by intinction with bread and your choice of wine or grape juice. If you are not communing, please receive a blessing of the day.

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- [P] 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.
- [C] Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SENDING HYMN "HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE YOUR NAME" ELW #414

#### BENEDICTION

- [P] The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.
- [C] Amen.

### THE DISMISSAL

[A] Our worship continues; our service is just begun. Go in peace to love and serve The Lord.

# [C] THANKS BE TO GOD!

POSTLUDE:

*"JESUS IS MY HOPE"* (Rachel Sawyer) **Beth Stauter**