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Sunday Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.
August 1, 2021

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Prayer Before Worship: Holy God, may the reading of your Word be for us the bread you send from heaven that gives life to the world. Amen.

(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)

KEY: ELW and any page number = Worship hymnal (cranberry),
OSB = Other Song Book (red), W&P = Worship & Praise (purple).

* Indicates please stand if able. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

A Warm Welcome to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

***Visitors,** if you are worshipping with us in person or online today,
we are glad to have you with us.*

Prelude Music

Welcome and Announcements

✠WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS✠

***Confession of Sins and Assurance of God's Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ, by whose Spirit we have been reborn to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Amen.

Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for prayer and reflection.

Gracious God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have thought better of ourselves than others. We have told lies, said hurtful things, acted in ways we wish we could take back, and looked the other way when action was needed. In your mercy, O God, forgive us, cleanse us, and heal us, for the sake of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, ✝ you are a new creation: your sins are taken away and you are made new. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. **Amen.**

Song of Praise:

“Majesty”

W&P #94

**Majesty, worship His majesty:
Unto Jesus be all glory,
Honor and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority
Flow from His throne
Unto His own; His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high
The name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify
Christ Jesus, the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty:
Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all kings. Kings.
Jesus who died, now glorified,
King of all kings.**

***Greeting**

The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

***Prayer of the Day**

Generous Lord,

You gave people what their souls required, fulfilling their deepest inner needs. Now look into our hearts and grant us that same deep peace and wholeness which only you can provide. Amen.

‡GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US‡

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, ¹and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." ⁵Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

⁷Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹¹Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. ¹²For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." ¹³David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." Nathan said to David, "Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-12

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²**Wash me through and through from my wickedness,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³For I know my offenses,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.**

⁵Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁶**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom deep within.**

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

⁸**Let me hear joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

⁹Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my wickedness.

¹⁰**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.**

¹¹Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

¹²**Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.)

³²Then 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. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus 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."

Response after the gospel reading:
Praise to you, O Christ.

Kids Sermon:

Angie Hinze

Sermon:

Bill Huelle, PMA

(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)

‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡

***Song of the Day:**

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

**ELW #484
vv. 2&5**

**2. With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude
that you should count us worthy, Lord,
to share this heav'nly food.**

Refrain

**You satisfy the hungry heart
with gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
the bread of life to eat.**

**5. You give yourself to us, O Lord;
then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name
in truth and charity.**

Refrain

***Profession of Faith: The Apostles 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 Church:**

ELW #752

(Sung Prayer Response)

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r,
send us grace.**

***Exchange of Peace**

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

***Offertory Prayer**

Thank you for continuing to support the work of Christ through Calvary Lutheran. The act of offering is an act of worship, wherever and whenever it is done. Having offered ourselves and our gifts to God, let us pray.

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.

***The 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.**

‡WE DEPART TO SERVE‡

***Benediction**

May the grace of God the Father bless you with peace,
may the love of Christ, God's son, sustain you in joy,
and may the power of the † Holy Spirit fill you with courage,
now and forever. **Amen.**

***Sending Song:**

"Stand in the congregation"

W&P #131

Verse 1

**I will stand in the congregation
And I will exalt You;
I will stand in the congregation
And I will exalt You.
Let the children of Your salvation
Lift their praises too!
Hallelujah!**

Verse 2

I will stand in the congregation
And I will praise Your name;
I will stand in the congregation
And I will praise Your name.
With Your people in every nation
I will shout this praise!
Hallelujah!

Verse 3

We will join as a congregation
And we will exalt You;
We will join as a congregation
And we will exalt You.
We will sing as all creation
Lifts the song anew!
Hallelujah!

*Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude Music

Praise Team

Postlude

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Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request you would like added to the prayers of the people on Sunday morning, you may notify Christy in the church office during the week or during worship use the Attendance and Prayer Request card and pass them towards the center aisle to be picked up by the ushers (for those worshipping with us online you will find the form under the worship tab on our website and prayer requests will be added to the prayer list in the bulletin the following weekend.)

✠In Our Thoughts and Prayers✠

Prayers for healing: **Maddie Seiler** (successful surgery—friend of Dee Brady), **Liam** (diagnosed with spinal muscular atrophy—Jude Walker’s great grandson), **LaDonna Schmidt** (chemotherapy), **Lorene** (cancer – Mike Belgum’s mother), **Teigen Brunner** (Healing—Deb Brown’s grandson), **Greta Mehling** (Health Issues), **Bruce** (Cancer treatments—friend of Jean Collins & Cathy Johnson), **Reuben & Gloria Gorr** (health issues), **Jordan Hein** (cancer treatment—former member of Calvary), **Julie** (cancer treatment—Travis Miller family), **Joan** (cancer—niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn’s sister-in-law).

Prayers for comfort and peace for: Family and friends of **Geraldine Bartel**.

Prayers for: **Austin & Teighlor** (facing hard decision in regards to son Liam—Jude Walker’s granddaughter & husband), **Rebecca E.** (spiritual discernment at her job).



Lansen Fleenor, 8/2; Deanna Zweifel, 8/2; Travis Miller, 8/4; Sheila Miller, 8/4; Jo Heidingsfelder, 8/4; Craig Smith, 8/6; Gracee Michael, 8/7

If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.

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AUGUST FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED

FOOD PANTRY: Peanut Butter & Jelly

BACKPACKS: 16 oz jars of Peanut Butter
Containers are located outside Fellowship Hall.

Thanks for your generosity.



WOMEN OF THE ELCA AUGUST MISSION PROJECT:



D.O.V.E.S.

Our mission this month is monetary support for the D.O.V.E.S. shelter. Domestic Violence is alive in our local communities.

Scottsbluff/Gering provides access to 24 hour crisis hotline and a shelter so those trying to escape abuse may find refuge. The shelter is always grateful for donations for the shelter and to help people set up new households. Household items and personal care items are also needed. Don't forget to collect your unused toiletry items when traveling and staying in hotels. Thank you for your support.



Hybrid Church Webinar Series starting July 26th: Forced to scramble to go online in just a few weeks during the COVID pandemic, the church has discovered the online world is far more than a replacement for the yellow pages. It is a place where genuine community and real ministry happens. "Hybrid" ministry, as its being called will be the new norm for the next season in most congregations' life and ministry. Through this series we will be invited to explore what hybrid ministry might look like for the church in the coming years.

The Church Council would like to invite anyone in the congregation that is interested to join them in the sanctuary for the Hybrid Church Webinar. The Hybrid Church Webinar series consists of 5 sessions on Monday evenings July 26-August 23 from 6 - 7 p.m. All are welcome.

Donations for new Clavinova (Electric Piano in Sanctuary) Welcomed.

The Electric Piano in the Sanctuary that the Praise Team uses died a couple weeks ago and has had to be replaced. The cost of the new Clavinova was \$5099, of which we already have slightly over half of the funds needed. Any donations to cover the rest of the cost of the Clavinova are definitely welcome. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



**Blessing
of the Backpacks**

BACKPACK BLESSING

Sunday, August 15, during worship. Bring your backpacks to church or have them in your worship space at home (if worshipping online) and receive God's blessing as you start off the new school year! Students, teachers, administrators and staff are also invited for our Backpack blessing.

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday October 10, 2021 Lutheran World Relief School Kits

For 'God's Work, Our Hands' Sunday, we will again be assembling school kits for Lutheran World Relief. We are asking you to collect school supplies which we will assemble on Sunday, October 10. The list is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office and in the August newsletter. Reminder: Nothing can have religious messaging, patriotic symbols, or camouflage. Collection boxes will be outside the office door. Start collecting now and take advantage of all the 'Back to School' sales!!!



WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer

This Sunday – August 1

PMA: Bill Huelle

USHERS: Deb Brown & Vicki Howell

LAY READER: Angie Hinze

POWERPOINT: Matt Payne

ACOLYTE: Jacey Cochran

MEDIA: Jeff Van Patten

ALTAR GUILD: Andi Dorn, Shelly Koehler

PIANIST: Dee Brady

Next Sunday – August 8

USHERS: Dennis & Barb Gorr

LAY READER: Marti Wegelin

COMMUNION ASST: Barb Jensen

POWERPOINT: Mary Jo Huelle

ACOLYTE: Micaela Hess

MEDIA: Maunette Loeks-Van Patten

ALTAR GUILD: Abby Newsom, Maunette Loeks-Van Patten, Barb Jensen, Nannie Walsh

ORGANIST: Rhonda Boettcher

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 1

10 a.m. – Worship

Monday, August 2

6-7 p.m. – Hybrid Church Webinar @
Calvary

Tuesday, August 3

12 p.m. – Women's Study @ Calvary
1 p.m. – Quilting

Wednesday, August 4

12 p.m. – OWLS Lunch

Saturday, August 7

5:30 p.m. – Worship

Sunday, August 8

10 a.m. – Worship

AUGUST 1, 2021
TENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



It can be difficult for us to trust God.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 6:24-35	Christ, the bread of life
Monday	Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15	Bread from heaven
Tuesday	Ephesians 4:1-16	Unity in the body of Christ
Wednesday	Psalms 37:3-9	Trust the Lord
Thursday	Matthew 6:25-34	Do not worry
Friday	Proverbs 3:1-6	Trust God
Saturday	Psalms 78:23-29	God feeds the people
Sunday	John 6:35, 41-51	Bread from heaven

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" Exodus 16:9 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, help us to trust that through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you give us the bread of life that feeds us and cares for us now and always. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Jesus, our Bread of Life, give us thankful hearts for this gift of food and for all you do to care for us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the God who feeds you bless you with a thankful heart.



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AUGUST 1, 2021
HYMN OF THE WEEK
Let Us Talents and
Tongues Employ



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something you like to complain about?
- Have you ever gotten what you wanted and then regretted it or known someone who got what they wanted and were not grateful? Explain.
- How does trust in God lead to contentment?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15.

The story of the Israelites in the Old Testament is unique to the ancient world. No other people were willing to be so self-critiquing. Other religious writings from other people were much more willing to be self-glorifying. Not the Israelites. They knew they were hard to please and not as trusting as they could be. Instead of thanking God for their freedom they acted as though God took them from the comforts of Egypt. They forgot that they were actually starving and dying at the hands of the Pharaoh. In this account, they don't even ask for help; they just complain. However, God hears the complaints of the people and steps in to care for them and feeds them morning and night. How has God blessed and fed you during your mornings and nights?

Pray: Living God, help us to be aware of your care that sustains us day after day, morning and night through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

Ephesians 4 talks about the gifts we are given to equip us to serve our neighbor. We serve our neighbor and speak the truth in love with one another. This is the way our congregations and families are strengthened and we grow together in the ups and downs of life. We care for each other. How can you serve your family, community, and congregation using your gifts?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

The *Daily Bible Readings* this week from John, Exodus, and Psalm 78 all share a theme about bread and being fed. Gather a selection of different breads to serve this week with your meals. Use a different bread every day for each meal. Say the *Mealtime Prayer* for this week and while eating the bread think or talk about a way in which God has provided for you.



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to www.milestonesministry.org

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