

Time After Pentecost

8:00 & 9:30 a.m. July 25, 2021

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Dickinson, ND



~ Welcome To Worship ~

Here, God prepares us for a life of
Showing Up With Love for the Neighbor Near and Far

If you are new here, **welcome!** We are so glad you've come to worship in-person or online. If you are worshipping online, you may find it helpful to prepare a worship space around you. Light a candle and gather bread and wine (or juice). If you are in the church building, here are some helpful tips:

Bathrooms are located out the side doors. A handicap bathroom (with a changing table) is across from the nursery.

Children are always welcome. Worship activity bags are in the entryway. The nursery is open but not staffed.

Hearing-impaired. If it is difficult to hear any of the service, please ask an usher for a personal amplifier.

Holy Communion is celebrated at each worship service. The table is open to all who believe in the redeeming power of Christ's love. Please ask the server if you need a gluten-free wafer.

Livestream Worship (9:30 am). Audio / Video are "live" on our Facebook page before and after service. A reminder that conversations may be heard on the internet.

To protect and welcome all people - every other pew is reserved to maintain social distancing and face coverings are *strongly recommended* for people who are not fully vaccinated.

Worship all week by liking "Devotions from the Badlands" on Facebook, provided by area ELCA clergy.

St. John's Mission Statement: Living in Service to Christ

Presiding: Pastor Joe Natwick & **Preaching:** Pastor Paul Hansen

Organists: Barb Arneson

- Gathering -

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us gather as God's church:

A: This church is composed of people like me.

I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, because I am friendly.

Its pews will be filled, because I help fill them.

It will do great work, because I share my time and talents.

It will make generous gifts to many causes, because I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, because I invite and bring them.

It will be a church where people grow in faith and serve God, because I am open to growing and serving.

(Together) Therefore, with God's help, we dedicate ourselves to the task of being the church God calls us to be. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

A: Amen.

L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

L: God, our provider,

A: it is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: #461 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

A: Amen.

GLORY TO GOD

Refrain *(may be sung continuously)*

Congregation:

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. *to Verses*

Verse 1

(Refrain begins)

1. You are God: we praise you. You are Lord;
we ac - claim you. You are God e - ter - nal;
all cre - a - tion wor - ships you. *to Refrain*

Verse 2

(Refrain begins)

2. All the an - gels in the heav - ens chant your
praise in end - less song! Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly, God of pow - er and might. *to Refrain*

Verse 3

(Refrain begins)

3. The a - pos - tles all praise you. All the
proph - ets ac - claim you. All the mar - tyrs and your
faith - ful peo - ple wor - ship you. *to Refrain*

Verse 4

(Refrain begins)

4. God, Cre - a - tor, we praise you. Je - sus the
Christ, we a - dore you. Spir - it of the
Liv - ing God, we wor - ship you. *to Refrain*

– Word –

God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44 (p. 372 OT)

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.
¹¹**They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom
and speak | of your power,**
¹²that all people may know | of your power
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.
¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures
through- | out all ages.**
**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your
works.**
¹⁴The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.
¹⁵**The eyes of all wait upon | you, O LORD,
and you give them their food | in due season.**
¹⁶You open | wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
¹⁷**You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**
¹⁸You are near to all who | call upon you,
to all who call up- | on you faithfully.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21 (p. 206 NT)

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

L: The Word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE:

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

Optional Repeat

GOSPEL READING: John 6:1-21

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

L: The Holy Gospel according to John.

A: Glory to you, o Lord

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."

⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

A: Praise to you, o Christ.

SERMON: Pastor Paul Hansen,

Senior Philanthropic Adviser, Luther Seminary St Paul, MN



HYMN OF THE DAY: Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

- 1 Loaves were broken, words were spoken
by the Galilean shore.
Jesus, Bread of life from heaven,
was their food forevermore.

Refrain

By your body broken for us,
by your wine of life outpoured,
Jesus, feed again your people.
Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

- 2 Loaves were broken, words were spoken
in a quiet room one night.
In the bread and wine you gave them,
Christ, you came as Light from Light. *Refrain*

- 3 Loaves are broken, words are spoken,
as in faith we gather here.
Jesus speaks across the ages:
"I am with you; do not fear!" *Refrain*

- 4 By the loaves you break and give us,
send us in your name to share
bread for which the millions hunger,
words that tell your love and care. *Refrain*

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

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Today at 9:30 we celebrate the Baptism of

Edgeley Katherine Monger,

Daughter of Danielle and Derek Monger

Sponsors: Shantelle Petroff & Brody Crawford



HYMN #677 This Little Light of Mine vs 1

**This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine;
This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

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 INTERCESSION

Prayer response: L: Lord in your mercy,

A: Hear our prayer

SHARING THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

A: And also with you.

- Meal -

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

The peace is not simply
a time to shake hands or
throw up a peace sign.
The role of the peace is
to reconcile ourselves
with those with whom
we have disagreements
before we share the
meal. Who or what do
you need to make peace
with today before you
come to the table?

OFFERTORY HYMN: #465 As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.
1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when
Refrain
may we share the pres-ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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OFFERING PRAYER

L: 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.

A: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al-so 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 God thanks and praise.

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L: 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. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn



SCAN ME

to make an
electronic
contribution!



Today at 11:00
we celebrate
the Baptism of
Avrie Ann Kraft
Daughter of
Katie & Eddy Kraft

Sponsors:
Danny Kraft &
Michelle Palmer

Holy, Holy, Holy

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is the One who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**A: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom
come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and
forever. Amen**

- Distribution of Bread & Wine -

1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace;
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love;
have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Psalm 23 says, "you
prepare a table before
me in the presence of my
enemies." Who are the
enemies that sit at the
communion table with
you this morning? How is
God reconciling you with
your enemy?

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

L: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

A: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Let us pray. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING HYMN: Thanks Be to You

1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -

ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:

3rd time to Coda 1 2
thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for -

Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -

mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us. to stanza 3

Coda
ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!



The risen Christ
invites us to this
table.
Come, eat and be
satisfied.

*Please extend your
hands to receive the
sacrament or fold
your hands for a
blessing.*

*All are welcome to
feast at the table*

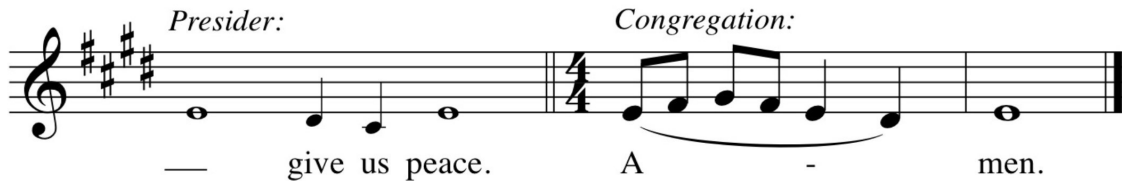
- Sending -

Every week, the presiding Pastor sends you into the world saying, "go in peace." What might peace look like in your life this week?

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

Presider: May God bless and keep us.
May God's face shine on us and be gracious.
May God look on us with favor and ☩ give us peace.



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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
A: Thanks be to God.

- Are you a visitor?
- Interested in becoming a member?
- Need to talk with a pastor or update your information?



to complete a
Contact Card!

THANK YOU TO THE WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:

Assisting Ministers:	8:00 am Kayla Begger	9:30 am Jesse Kilwein
Ushers:	8:00 am Barry Meduna JD Thatcher	9:30 am Kainen Ollerman Caleb Swisher
Camera:		9:30 am



SUMMER DAY CAMP—AUGUST 9th—12th (12:00 pm—5:00 pm)

Visit www.stjohnelc.org for more information and registration.
Registration is limited to 100 children—register early!

WAYS YOU CAN HELP PREPARE FOR SUMMER DAY CAMP

This crazy fun week is quickly approaching! Want to help???

Donate to build a SNACK BAR!

Donations of individually packaged items are appreciated to offer the campers during their afternoon break. These items can be dropped off at the church office or at the Mission Corner located in the Narthex. (applesauce, cookies, crackers, fruit snacks, etc. - no peanut items!)



The flowers on the altar this morning are given
in loving memory of **Nancy Krieg and Dean Scott Krieg**
by the family.



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