

LIVE DIFFERENT

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8-2-26

WORSHIP THEME: This summer Season of Pentecost is all about following Jesus. In Christ, our lives are set apart. We live different as Christians. In this series, “Live Different”, we will strive to live in the way of Jesus. Today, “Trust God to Provide”

† GOD CALLS †

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 86

Pastor
ALL Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.
 His love endures forever.

Pastor
ALL Give thanks to the Lord of lords;
 His love endures forever.

Pastor
ALL To Him who alone does great wonders!
 His love endures forever

Pastor:
ALL In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 Amen!

OPENING SONG

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

**Come, Thou Fount of ev’ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I’ve come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,**

Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee;
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen
How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,
Take my ransom'd soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

† GOD CLEANSES †

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father,

ALL: Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray, God have mercy on me a sinner.

Pastor: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave His life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Give Thanks”

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say
“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say
“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”**

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Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.**

**And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say
“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”**

Give Thanks, give thanks.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you all!
ALL: And also with you!

† GOD SPEAKS †

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

**“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.**

**² Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy?
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare.**

³ Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David.
⁴See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a ruler and commander of the peoples. ⁵Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations you do not know will come running to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor.”

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, ⁴the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised!^[a] Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

¹⁶Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

¹⁷“We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

¹⁸“Bring them here to me,” he said. ¹⁹And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to You, O Christ!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BRINGING OF OUR BLESSINGS *with Thanksgiving in our Offering*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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.

SONG OF THE DAY

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” LSB 849

Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris’ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing ev’ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert’s burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev’ry land.

Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.

MESSAGE

† GOD GIVES †

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

“What is This Bread”

1-What is this bread?

Christ's body risen from the dead:
This bread we break, This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release,
O taste and see - the Lord is peace.

2-What is this wine?

The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
The cup of grace Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing!
O taste and see - the Lord is King.

3-So who am I,

That I should live and He should die
Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me?
O taste and see - The Lord is free.

4-Yet is God here?

Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
In mouth and soul He makes us whole-
Christ, truly present in this meal.
O taste and see - the Lord is real.

5- Is this for me?

I am forgiven and set free!
I do believe That I receive
His very body and His blood.
O taste and see - the Lord is good.

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.
Thou changest not: Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be. *Refrain*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

DISMISSAL

CLOSING SONG

“Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer”
(LW 220, don’t use LSB version)

Guide Me ever, great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty; Hold me with your pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me now and evermore;
Feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain Where the healing waters flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv’rer, strong deliv’rer, Shield me with your mighty arm;
Shield me with your mighty arm.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell’s destruction, Land me safe on Canaan’s side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises
I will raise forevermore; I will praise forevermore.

† GOD BLESSES & SENDS †

BLESSING

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon
you and be gracious to you; The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
ALL: Amen!

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord!
ALL: Thanks be to God