



ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

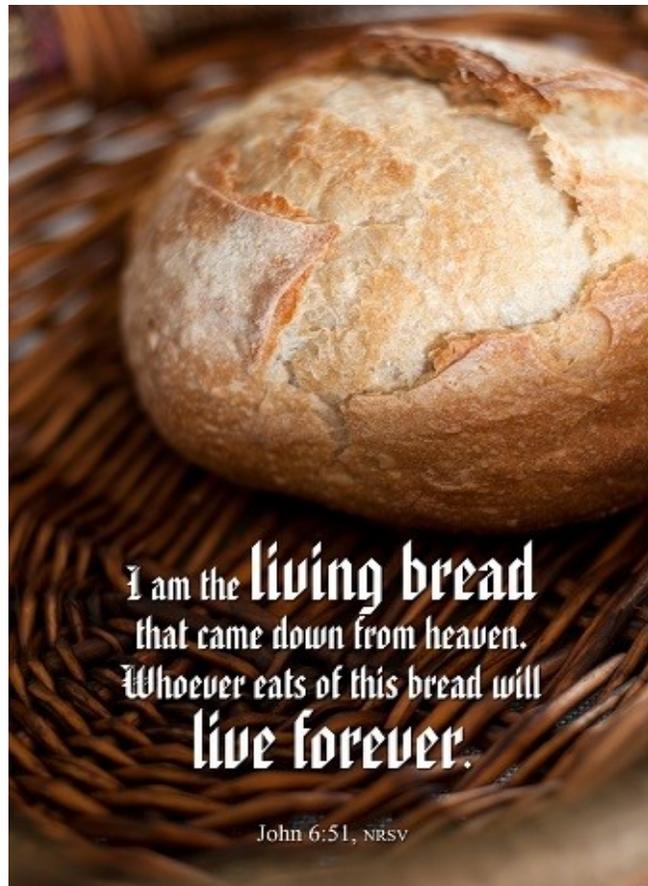
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 12, 2018 AT 8:15 A.M.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INTRODUCTION

Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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**Please stand if able*

P: Pastor; A: Assisting Minister; C: Congregation

(ELW—Red Book)

GATHERING

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

“King of Heaven”

Insert

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Gary Haddock

*GATHERING SONG

“I Saw the Light”

Insert

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. Amen.

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Eternal God our creator,

C: In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

*THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

*APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Gary Haddock

*THE GOSPEL READING

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John. **C: Glory to you, O Lord**

John 6:35, 41-51

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

Rev. Gary Haddock

*SONG OF THE DAY

“Blessed Assurance”

Insert

SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM

Peyton Reese Brown

ELW p. 227

*INTERCESSORY PRAYER

A: Hear us, O God. **C: Your mercy is great.**

Kelly Nash

MEAL

THE OFFERING / OFFERTORY

“What the Lord Has Done in Me”

Insert

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERTORY

“Communion”

**This is the body. This is the blood. Broken and poured out. For all of us.
And in this communion we share in His love. This is the body. This is the blood.**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Kelly Nash

A: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

***THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER V**

***THE LORD’S PRAYER**

P: Lord, teach us to pray . . .

C: 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.

The congregation sits. The following is sung: “Worthy Is the Lamb”

Worthy is the Lamb seated on the throne. Crown You now with many crowns. You reign victorious.

High and lifted up. Jesus Son of God. The darling of heaven crucified. Worthy is the Lamb. (Repeat 3X)

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion Invitation: We welcome all who are baptized to the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is served by Intinction. You will be given a wafer, which you then dip into the chalice of wine. If unable to come forward, stand where you are, and you will be served there. Children who are baptized are welcome to commune.

COMMUNION SONG

10, Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Insert

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

After all have returned to their places, the congregation stands and the presiding minister says these words:

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **C: Amen.**

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Kelly Nash

A: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

***BLESSING** P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

***SENDING SONG**

“How Great Is our God”

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***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Sound the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in memory of Calvin A. and Catherine Sigmon by the Sigmon Family.

HOLY BAPTISM: Peyton Reese Brown was born on March 20. She is the daughter of Patrick & Brittany Brown. Brothers are Sky, Cole, and Kendall Hayes. Grandparents are Doug & Jill Brown, Keith & Teri Crowe.

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LITURGY -THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Gary Haddock

Assisting Minister: Kelly Nash

Acolyte: Joseph Carpenter

Communion Assistants: Dale Sherrill, Rocky Miller

Altar Guild: Elaine Simmons, Ginger Carpenter, Donna Evans

Tabulators: Dotty Isenhour, Chris Cloninger, Nick Setzer

Deacons: Carol Schaefer, David Tucker

Vocalists: Tim Carpenter, Tamarah Hefner, Allyson Sestric, Carol Schaefer

Instrumentalists: Allyson Sestric: Violin & Guitar; Mark Mashburn: Guitar;

Aaron Carpenter: Drums; Jonathan Ray: Keyboard

Tech: Carol Schaefer, Camille Patrick, Tamarah Hefner, Randy Sherrill, Terry Hefner, Tim Sigmon, Barry Bumgarner

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1 KINGS 19:4-8

[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

PSALM 34:1-8

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so, your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

EPHESIANS 4:25--5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

JOHN 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."