Welcome to Pilgrim Lutheran Church Pastor Don Short August 8, 2021

# INVOCATION AND CANDLES CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## (Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **Amen.** 

# Gathering Hymn~~O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts~~ELW #658

O Je-sus, joy of lov-ing hearts, the fount of life, the light of all; from ev-'ry bliss that earth im-parts we turn, unfulfilled, to hear your call.

We taste you, ev-er-liv-ing bread, and long to feast up-on you still; we drink of you, the foun-tain-head; blest, when by faith we hold you fast.

For you our rest-less spir-its yearn, where-e'er our chang-ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.

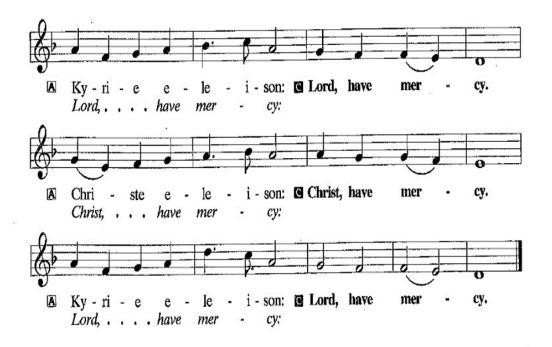
O Je-sus, ev-er with us stay! Make all our mo-ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a-way! Shed o'er the world your ho-ly light.

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# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

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

And also with you.



#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

The Hymn of Praise or another appropriate hymn may be sung.



# PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Amen.

# READINGS

# A reading from 1 Kings 19:4-8

4 But he himself 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.' <sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>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.' <sup>8</sup>He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# Let us read Psalm 34:1-8 responsively

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

<sup>3</sup> O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

## <sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

<sup>5</sup> Look to him, and be radiant; so your<sup><u>\*</u></sup> faces shall never be ashamed.

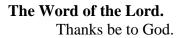
<sup>6</sup> This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.

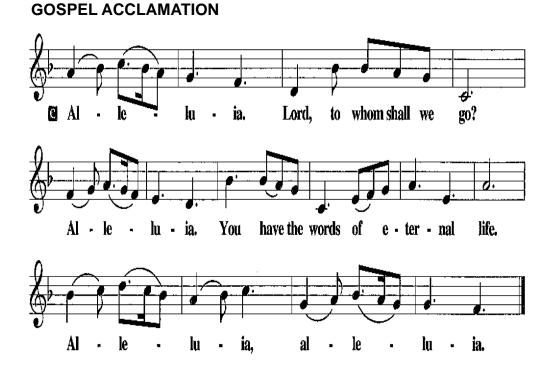
<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

# A reading from Ephesians 4:25—5:2

25 So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the

needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up,<sup>2</sup> as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.<sup>2</sup> 5<sup>1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us<sup>2</sup> and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.





The Holy Gospel according to John 6:35, 41-51 Glory to you, O Lord.

35 Jesus 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.

41 Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' <sup>42</sup>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"?' <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>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. <sup>45</sup>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. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

#### This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### SERMON

Hymn of the Day~~~ELW #471

Let us break bread to-ge-ther on our knees; Let us break bread to-ge-ther on our knees. *Refrain* When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

Let us drink wine to-ge-ther on our knees; Let us drink wine to-ge-ther on our knees. *Refrain* When I fall on my knees, With my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

Let us praise God, to-ge-ther on our knees; Let us praise God, to-ge-ther on our knees. *Refrain* When I fall on my knees, With my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

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#### **APOSTLE'S 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**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

## **GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

## **OFFERATORY HYMN: "We Are An Offering"**

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to you: We are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours: We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: We are an offering, we are an offering.

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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 of the life of the world.

#### Amen.

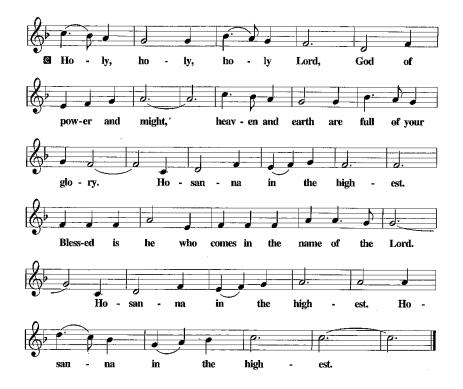
# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also 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.

... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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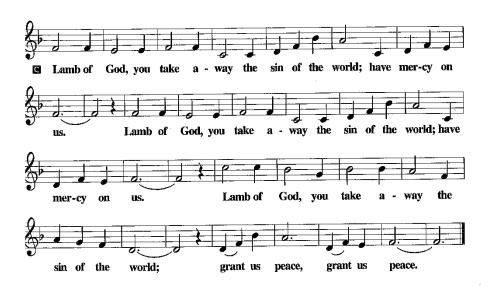
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of steadfast love,

At this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## POST COMMUNION HYMN: "Beloved, Let us Love One Another"

#### BENEDICTION

May the Lord Bless you and keep you May the Lord make his face to shine upon you May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN~~Be Thou My Vision~~ELW #793

Be thou my vi-sion, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art: Thou my best thought both by day and by night, Wak-ing or sleep-ing, thy pres-ence my light.

Be thou my wis-dom, and thou my true word; I ev-er with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shel-ter, and thou my high tow,r, Raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r. Rich-es I heed not, nor vain, emp-ty praise, Thou mine in-her-i-tance, now and al-ways: Thou and thou on-ly, the first in my heart, Great God of heav-en, my trea-sure thou art.

Light of my soul, af-ter vic-to-ry won, May I reach heav-en's joys, O heav-en's Sun! Heart of my own heart, what-ev-er be-fall, Still be my vi-sion, O Rul-er of all.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Secretary Hours: Wednesday-Friday 9-12

#### THE DISMISSAL

**Go in Peace. You are the body of Christ.** Thanks be to God.

#### Lectionary Readings for Next Sunday

1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalm 34:1-8

Ephesians 4:25--5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

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