

# LARGE PRINT EDITION



## HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, July 21, 2024 + 9:30 am  
*Christ heals the multitudes*

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Learn Live and Share God's Word

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*Christ is the shepherd who searches out the sick and forgotten ones. Mark's gospel makes clear how great was the press of the crowd, with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples. Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples to get away and rest, to take care of themselves. Sometimes we think that when others are in great need we shouldn't think of ourselves at all; but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need. We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.*

## Gathering

### PRELUDE

"Sheep May Safely Graze"

J.S. Bach

*At the sound of the bell please stand if you are able.*

### GATHERING DIALOG

A Blessed be God who calls us together.

**C Praise be God who makes us one people.**

A Blessed be God who has forgiven our sin.

**C Praise to God who gives hope and freedom.**

A Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

**C Praise to God who is revealed as love.**

A Blessed be God who alone has called us.

**C We offer all that we are, and all that we shall become.**

A Receive, O God, our sacrifice of thanks and praise.

**C Accept our thanks for all you have done.**

**Our hands were empty, and you filled them.**

## GATHERING SONG

*(hymn)* ELW 611

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

**1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,**

**"Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down  
your head upon my breast."**

**I came to Jesus as I was,  
so weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting-place,  
and he has made me glad.**

**2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,**

**"Behold, I freely give  
the living water, thirsty one;  
stoop down and drink and live."**

**I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.**

**3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,**

**"I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, your morn shall rise,  
and all your day be bright."**

**I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my star, my sun;**

**and in that light of life I'll walk  
till trav'ling days are done.**

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

## **GREETING AND GATHERING PRAYER**

**P** Grace to you and peace from God our Creator,  
the love at our beginning and without end,  
in our midst and with us.

**C** **God is with us, here we find new life.**

**P** Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

*The presider continues with words of welcome.*

## **Word**

### **CHILDREN'S WORD**

*Children are invited forward; parents are welcome to come with their children.*

### **FIRST READING**

*A righteous shepherd for Israel*

**Jeremiah 23:1–6**

*Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 B.C. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David’s line to save Israel and Judah.*

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!

says the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Praise to Christ the Word.

### **C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

**sung by all – ELW #778**

**Psalm 23**

*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (23:1)*

- 1 The Lord's my shepherd; I'll not want.  
he makes me down to lie  
in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.  
He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.**
- 2 My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make  
within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for his own name's sake;  
within the paths of righteousness,  
e'en for his own name's sake.**
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;**

for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still;  
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

4 My table thou hast richly spread in presence of my foes;  
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.  
My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,  
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be;  
and in God's house forevermore my dwelling-place shall be.

text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, Edinburgh

## SECOND READING

*Reconciled to God through Christ*

Ephesians 2:11–22

*The author of this letter is reminding his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.*

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

<sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

<sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Praise to Christ the Word.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*setting 4; ELW page 151*

*The assembly stands and welcomes the gospel, singing:*

**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

## **GOSPEL**

*Christ healing the multitudes*

Mark 6:30–34, 53–56

*When Jesus sent his disciples out to teach and heal, they ministered among large numbers of people. Their work was motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.*

The holy gospel according to Mark.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them.

<sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*(hymn)* ELW 789

“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

*stanzas 1, 2, 4*

- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;  
much we need your tender care.  
In your pleasant pastures feed us,  
for our use your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have bought us; we are yours.**
- 2 We are yours; in love befriend us,  
be the guardian of our way;  
keep your flock, from sin defend us,  
seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
hear us children when we pray.**
- 4 Early let us seek your favor,  
early let us do your will;**

**blessed Lord and only Savior,  
with your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
you have loved us, love us still.**

Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847

**STATEMENT OF FAITH** (*Maori, New Zealand*)

**A** Let us together proclaim the faith that we share  
with Christians around the world, using words of a Maori  
creed...

**C** **You, O God, are supreme and holy,  
You create our world and give us life,  
your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us. You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,  
good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed and proved your love for us  
in Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now. You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are our God. We worship you.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Prayers are offered for the Church, the earth, the nations, and those in any need.  
each petition concludes:*

...Hear our prayer, O God of grace,

**C Your mercy endures forever.**

*finally:*

P Merciful God,

you look with compassion on all who turn to you.

Hear the prayers of your people.

**C Grant that what we have asked in faith**

**we may by your grace receive;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Meal**

### PEACE

P Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace,

**C who breaks down the walls that divide.**

P May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

**C May the word of Christ dwell in us richly.**

*The assembly is invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.*

### OFFERING

*When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*Please leave your offerings in the baskets in the aisles or give online. During this time, the table is set. Please stand as the offering procession reaches the chancel. Thank you for your generosity.*

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Pop-Up Choir

## **Presentation of the Gifts**

### **Offertory Prayer**

A Let us pray together.

**C Blessed are you, God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.  
Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

*The assisting minister pours out the wine.*

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord is here.

**C God's spirit is with us.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C it is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P ...joyfully we give you thanks and sing:

*setting 4, ELW p. 153*

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the  
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving, concluding:*

**Lord's Prayer (1789)**

P As Christ teaches, we pray:

**C 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.

### **Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion**

#### **Communion**

“Lamb of God”

*setting 4; ELW page 154*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have  
mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the  
world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*silence for reflection concludes the communion*

#### **Prayer after Communion**

A Let us pray.

Most loving God, creator and redeemer,  
we give you thanks for this foretaste of your glory.

C Through Christ, and with all your saints,  
we offer ourselves and our lives to your service.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, the servant,  
our friend and brother. Amen.

## **Sending**

### **BLESSING**

P Be strengthened with the power of God, + the love of Christ,  
and the help of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

## SENDING SONG

*(hymn)* ELW 654

“The Church’s One Foundation”

*stanzas 1, 2, 5*

- 1 The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word.  
From heav'n he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.**
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses,  
with ev'ry grace endued.**
- 5 Yet she on earth has union  
with God, the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus!  
Lord, save us by your grace,  
that we, like saints before us,  
may see you face to face.**

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

### DISMISSAL

*Please face the worship leaders for the dismissal.*

A Go now to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

“The Church’s One Foundation”

*Samuel S. Wesley*

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## **Serving Today**

Pastor Foy Christopherson, *presiding*

Karen Moeller, *assisting minister*

Nancy Felicetta, *reader*

Ruth Bills, *director of music & worship*

Pop-Up Choir, *summer music*

Myrna Flatland and Anna Matthes, *technology desk*

Janell Partyka, *sacristan/altar guild*

Rick Sundly and Dick Jacobson, *ushers*

Rick Labandz, *bus ministry*

Council, *coffee hosts*

**Chancel flowers** this weekend are given to the glory of God.

*If you wish to donate flowers sign up in the narthex  
or call the church office.*

*Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lower-level  
following worship.*

*This service is being streamed live on the internet.*

*The language of our worship this summer  
is based on language in the New Zealand Prayer Book.*

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### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

Contact the coordinator below if you can help to accomplish these tasks:

<b>OPPORTUNITY</b>	<b>COORDINATOR</b>	<b>DUE</b>
Water the butterfly garden	Dave Olson	Summer opportunity
Summer coffee hosts	Karen Moeller	Sign up downstairs
Salty Carmel hosts	Pastor C	Sign up in narthex
MCCC Board secretary	Brenda W; C Pudney	open position
Bread of Christ month Bread bakers / buyers	Office	July 28 - Aug 25
Bread of Christ month Readers: dramatized scripture readings	Office	July 28 - Aug 25

# Welcome

**Everyone is welcome.** We are a faith community participating in the life of God, a life that is a gift to us and in which we are actively engaged. That gift compels us to be actively engaged in the neighborhoods of Northeast Minneapolis as well. We are a multigenerational community that proudly celebrates our history while joining together with younger generations to follow where God is leading. We build our community through faith practices like prayer, dwelling in the Word and hospitality.

**Guests are welcome.** We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. If you would like more information about Mt. Carmel, please contact us at 612-781-2796, or email [pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org](mailto:pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org)

**Children are welcome** at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available outside the sanctuary.

**Welcome to the Lord's Table.** All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to you where you are seated if you require accessibility accommodation. Please inform the ushers. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. White grape juice is available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

**Welcome to the Holy Baptism.** All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. Our pastor will contact you.

## Friends of Mt. Carmel...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join a new network of Friends of Mt. Carmel. Email [pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org](mailto:pastor@mountcarmelmpls.org) for more information or to join.



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