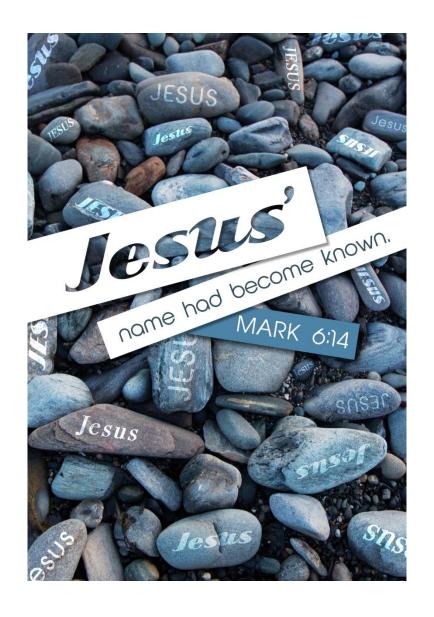
Pentecost 8



July 14, 2024

Gathering

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

This summer, we are using Ray Makeever's worship setting "Come, Let Us Worship God." Please refer to the Worship Booklet (WB) if you would like musical notes for the service.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering

"Come, Let Us Worship God"

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(Congregation, please echo the song leader.)

- 1 Come, let us worship God. Come, let us worship God. Welcome everyone. To the love of God.
- 2 Rest for the weary. Rest for the weary. Welcome everyone. To the love of God.
- 3 Food for the hungry. Food for the hungry. Welcome everyone. To the love of God.
- 4 Hope for the children. Hope for the children. Welcome everyone. To the love of God.

Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Prayer of Confession

P: Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of \oplus Jesus Christ. **C: Amen.**

Invocation

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Kyrie

"God of Love, Have Mercy"

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Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts: God of love, have mercy. For the peace from above, let us pray to our God: God of love, have mercy. For the peace of the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all people, pray to our God: God of love, have mercy. God of love, have mercy. For the people of God, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our God: God of love, have mercy. Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious God. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,

C: O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Reading: Amos 7:7-15

⁷This is what [the Lord GoD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Reading: Psalm 85:8-13

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

⁹Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you, that your glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

¹³Righteousness shall go before the LORD and shall prepare for God a pathway.

Gospel Acclamation

"Open Our Eyes Lord"

Open our eyes Lord; We want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him; And say that we love Him
Open our ears Lord; And help us to listen
Open our eyes Lord; We want to see Jesus

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter six.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

¹⁴King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

Children's Message

Sermon Pastor Dave

Hymn of the Day "Faith of Our Fathers" ELW #812

Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
 Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain

Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

- 2 The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; and blest would be their children's fate if they, like them, should die for thee. Refrain
- 3 Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in all our strife; proclaim thee too, as love knows how, by saving word and faithful life.

 Refrain

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

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 the People

"Here My Cry Oh God"

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Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer. Listen to my song: Singing praises all along.

Sharing God's Peace

Offertory

Offertory Hymn

"What Have We to Offer?"

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What have we to offer? What have we to share?

Coins from the coffer, hearts filled with care.

God will not falter; so let us dare lay it at the altar there.

What have we to offer? What have we to give? Lives we will live.

Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: Merciful God, in your Son Jesus you show us the way of life. You teach us to love

one another and to share the gifts of our lives. Receive these gifts, fruit of the earth and harvest of our labor, and lead us always by your wise guiding. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given "for you and for all people." For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

P: The Lord be with you, C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts, C: We lift them to the Lord.

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion Hymn ELW #697

Communion Blessing and Prayer

P: Gracious God, you have fed us at your table and filled us with your presence. Strengthen us with your Spirit that we might live as Christ's body in the world. **C: Amen.**

Benediction

Sending Hymn "Go in Peace and Serve the Lord"

Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is calling you today. Go and tell gospel news ev'rywhere. Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is calling you today, to bring truth and love to ev'ry nation.

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.



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