



GRACE LUTHERAN
CHURCH • SCHOOL



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 18, 2021 - 10:45 AM

*(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

PRELUDE

“Prelude on an Irish Church Melody”
(The King of Love My Shepherd Is)

C.V. Stanford

WELCOME

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** “The Church’s One Foundation” (vv. 1, 4-5) *Hymn 644*
(Stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)

**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.**

**Through toil and tribulation And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth has union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav’nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, May see You face to face.**

***THE INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

***LITANY OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE** *(based on Psalm 23)*

(Please kneel or sit for the confession.)

Pastor: The Lord is my Shepherd, I lack nothing.

People: But Lord, we are consumed with wanting more.

Pastor: He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.

People: But Lord, our pastures are often parched, our waters are not always still, and our souls still thirst.

Pastor: He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

People: But Lord, we often stray from your path to follow our own.

Pastor: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

People: But Lord, we are afraid, and struggle to find our way.

Pastor: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: But Lord, we don't always find our seat, forgive us and guide us on the paths of your righteousness.

Pastor: Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

People: Forgive us Lord, and lead us into Your heavenly kingdom.

Pastor: Jesus redeemed our sins on the cross so that we might live for righteousness. All we like sheep will go astray, but we will be returned to the Good Shepherd. So hear the Good News: Jesus has sought us out, found us, and forgiven us. Thanks be to God.

People: Thanks be to God.

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven"
(vv. 1, 3-4)

Hymn 793

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

**Fatherlike He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hand He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet His mercy flows.**

**Angels, help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
All who dwell in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. ²Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: “Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,” declares the LORD. ³“I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the LORD. ⁵“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (that done in the body by the hands of men) – ¹²remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of

the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²²And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 6:30-44

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. ³¹Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest." ³²So they went away by themselves in a boat to a solitary place. ³³But many who saw them leaving recognized them and ran on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things. ³⁵By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. ³⁶Send the people away so they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." ³⁷But he answered, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "That would take eight months of a man's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸"How many loaves do you

have?” he asked. “Go and see.” When they found out, they said, “Five - and two fish.”³⁹ Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass.⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties.⁴¹ 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 his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all.⁴² They all ate and were satisfied,⁴³ and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish.⁴⁴ The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE AND DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S CHURCH

***SERMON HYMN** “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” (*Psalm 23*) *Hymn 709*

**The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever.**

**Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me.**

**In death’s dark vale I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.**

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever!

THE SERMON

“What Does God Promise His People?”

Jeremiah 23:1-6

***PROFESSION OF FAITH - Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

*HOLY COMMUNION

*WORDS OF PREPARATION

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*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.

*AGNUS DEI

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☐ Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the

Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we implore,
And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us evermore
Until that day When all the blest To endless rest Are called away.

Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise The Three in One to sing
And thus proclaim In joyful song, Both loud and long, That glorious name.

***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

***THE BENEDICTION** *(Numbers 6:24-26)*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** "In Christ There Is No East or West"

Hymn 653

In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

With God there is no tribe or race;
In Him we all are one.
He loves us as His children through
Our faith in His dear Son.

So, brothers, sisters, praise His name
Who died to set us free
From sin, division, hate, and shame,
From spite and enmity!

Join hands, disciples of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;

**Who serves my Father as His child
Is surely kin to me.**

**In Christ now meet both east and west;
In Him meet south and north.
All Christian souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.**

***DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

“Prelude, op. 101, no. 2”

C.V. Stanford

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

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The Organist

The Sound Technician

The Elder on Duty

The Communion Deacons

The Lectors

The Robing Leader

The Crucifer

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