

Agnus Dei Lutheran Church

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Pentecost 10

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Gather

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

Welcome

Prelude

Morning Has Broken

Traditional Gaelic Melody, arr. Larry Shackley

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

C **Amen.**

P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection.

P God, our provider,

C **help us.**

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

P Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (verse 1)



- 1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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Prayer of the Day

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

P O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied.
Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. C Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'"¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew

around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

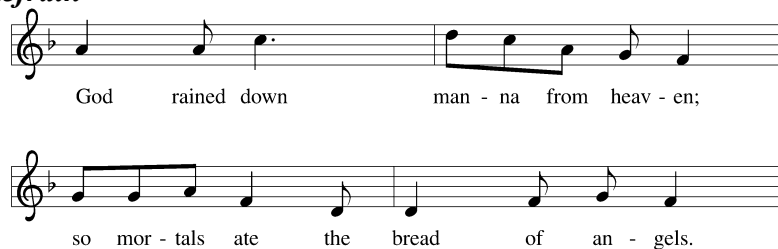
Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:23-29

Refrain

congregation



- ²³So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,
²⁴raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven. **Refrain**
²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.
²⁶The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,
²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,
²⁸letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.
²⁹So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved. **Refrain**

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-16

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



²²The next day the crowd that had stayed on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there. They also saw that Jesus had not got into the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³Then some boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?”
²⁶Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.”

²⁸Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵Jesus 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.”

The Gospel of Our Lord. C Thanks be to God

Sermon

Pastor Seth Novak

Silence for reflection

Hymn of the Day

Guide Me Ever, Great

Redeemer (verse 1)



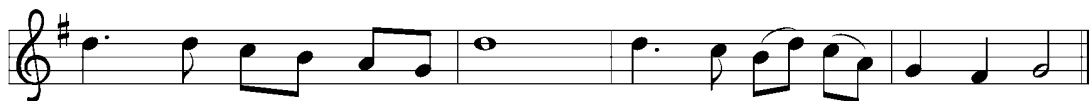
1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me
 wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with your pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
 I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Prayers of Intercession

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Holy Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(A brief silence)

You call your church to be the body of Christ. Awaken all the baptized to the gifts you provide for carrying out the work of ministry. Where the church is divided, bring us together and restore our unity of faith. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You command the clouds above and cause the wind to blow in the heavens. During this time of drastic weather, hear our plea for your watchful presence over deserts and wilderness places. Regenerate rainforests, defend species at risk of extinction, and strengthen the work of conservation organizations, especially the National Wildlife Federation and all of our national park systems. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You summon leaders to respond to the needs of your people. Instill those who govern with patience when confronted with grievances and perseverance in seeking what promotes the well-being of the community. We pray, especially for our national and state leaders. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are the God of new beginnings. Sustain all mission congregations and worshipping communities of the Southwestern Washington Synod. This week we pray especially for Empowering Life Women's Prison Ministry of Gig Harbor, Joan Nelson, Sharon Peterson and Pastor Annie Jones Barnes. We also pray for the Mision De Belin congregation who have begun worshipping monthly at Agnus Dei. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You draw near to those who cry out for help. Feed those who are hungry, reassure those who are despairing, and accompany those who are imprisoned. Rain down the true bread from heaven that gives life to the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You receive all who come seeking a sign of grace. Make our congregation a place of hospitality for those accustomed to rejection. To those who have felt excluded here or elsewhere, prepare our hearts to welcome them in the name of Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For what and for whom do the people pray?

(brief silence)

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You provide food that endures for eternal life. Sustain us each day with the bread of life until we are gathered with our departed loved ones and all the saints so that we might feast together at your heavenly banquet. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

Peace

The greeting of peace may be shared with a reverent bow, a peace sign, or a friendly wave.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory

O God of Life's Great Mystery

Kenneth Kosche

Offering Prayer

- A 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 for the life of the world.
- C **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy and immortal:
you we praise and glorify,
you we worship and adore.
You formed the earth from chaos;
you encircled the globe with air;
you created fire for warmth and light;
you nourish the lands with water.
You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.
That also we, estranged and dying,
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for
the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Together as the body of Christ,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Son,
the first-born of your new creation.
We remember his life lived for others,
and his death and resurrection, which renews the face
of the earth.
We await his coming,
when, with the world made perfect through
your wisdom,
all our sins and sorrows will be no more.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, holy and merciful one,
holy and compassionate,
send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit,
whose breath revives us for life,
whose fire rouses us to love.
Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food.
Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit,
that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty
with all the world.
Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy and benevolent God,
receive our praise and petitions,
as Jesus received the cry of the needy,
and fill us with your blessing,
until, needy no longer and bound to you in love,
we feast forever in the triumph of the Lamb:
through whom all glory and honor is yours,
O God, O Living One,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and
forever.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

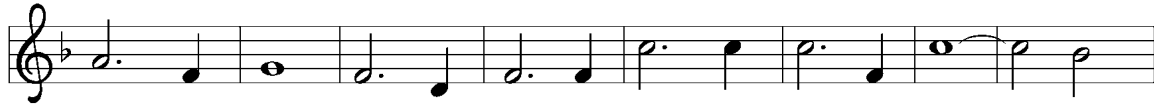
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Supper. For COVID safety, Holy Communion is currently being offered in one kind. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread. The bread being served is gluten free.

We will remain in our seats to receive Communion. When instructed by the pastor, you are invited to remove your mask, receive Communion, and replace your mask. Thank you for respecting the health and safety of all present in the sanctuary by wearing your mask.

Communion

Taste and See



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in life that is abundant and eternal.

C Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

C Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.
Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

Dismissal

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Cornet Voluntary

Starling Goodwin

Serving in Worship:

Presiding Minister: Pastor Seth Novak

Assisting Minister: 8:30 Dave Schinkel, 11:00 Daryl Daugs

Ushers and Greeters: 8:30 Cindy and Bob Beals, Lynne Zematis and Rich Cook
11:30: Lynne Zematis and Rich Cook

Altar Guild 8:30 Sue Lubash, 11:00 Lynne Zematis

Minister of Music: Shari Shull, Deacon

Minister of Programs: Sister Ann Shultz, Deaconess

Church Musician: Susan Luebeck

Lector: 8:30 Daryl Daugs, 11:00 Marty Beert

Cantors: 8:30 Dave Schinkel, 11:00: Sister Ann Shultz, Paula Davis

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Sunday, August 1	8:30 AM Hybrid Worship with Holy Communion 11:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion
Monday, August 2	
Tuesday, August 3	
Wednesday, August 4	10 AM Hybrid Text Study 1:30 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet at the church, and on Zoom
Thursday, August 5	
Friday, August 6	
Saturday, August 7	8:30 Men's Square, Women's Circle at Sunset Grill Restaurant 1:00 PM Memorial for Rose VanderKlomp
Sunday, August 8	9:45 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:30 AM Fellowship 1:00 PM Memorial for Elmer Wagner

Sunday, August 8

Pentecost 11

1 Kings 19:4-8; Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35,41-51

Circle Of Welcome is the name of the program that matches churches with refugee families coming to the US through Lutheran Community Services Northwest. The 2021 team is forming under the leadership of team coordinators Stephanie McCarthy and Debbie Snowden. Training will take place the end of August and fundraising has already begun. Please see one of the coordinators if you would like to join the team or the August newsletter for more information.