

Take a moment to notice the * at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The * indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.



When life seems oppressive and burdens weigh us down, it is easy to feel alone, unloved and defeated. As the Lord of Life gives us His body and blood in the Lord’s Supper, however, we are reminded that we are not alone, that we are deeply loved, and that in Christ we have the victory! For Scriptural reasons, we practice close communion. If you do not belong to a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we invite you to join our communion fellowship. For details, please speak or make an appointment with Pastor Kane through the church office (319) 235-6705.

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Faith Comes from Hearing

August 27, 2023

AS WE GATHER A man who was deaf and therefore also had an impediment in his speech was brought to Jesus (Mark 7:31-37). In the same way, all are by nature deaf toward God and therefore also unable to confess the faith rightly. For *“faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ”* (Rom. 10:9-17). Jesus put His fingers into the man’s ears, and He spat and touched His tongue. Even so in Holy Baptism, water sanctified by the words of Jesus’ mouth is applied to us; and the finger of God, that is the life-giving Holy Spirit (2 Cor. 3:4-11) is put into our ears in the hearing of the baptismal Gospel. Jesus’ sighing “Ephphatha” opened the man’s ears, and his tongue was loosed to speak plainly as Isaiah prophesied of the Messiah, *“In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book”* (Is. 29:18-24). So also, He who sighed and breathed His last on the cross for us has given us to hear and believe in Him and has opened our lips that our mouths may declare His praise.

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Almighty and merciful God,
People: **by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns, with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Divine Service IV

Announcements

Opening Hymn: **LSB 871**
“Greet the Rising Sun”

Confession and Absolution: LSB 203

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204

*Salutation: LSB 205

*Collect of the Day: (Printed)

Catechism Recitation

Catechism Review Question #14

Old Testament: Isaiah 29:17-24

Pew Bible Page 1102

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11

Pew Bible Page 1797

Alleluia and Verse LSB 205

*Holy Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Pew Bible Page 1565

*Nicene Creed: LSB 206

Sermon Hymn: **LSB 545**
“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”

Sermon

Offertory **LSB 687**
“Thine Forever, God of Love”

*Prayer of the Church

*Lord’s Prayer LSB 209

*Benediction LSB 212

This concludes the service for online viewing

*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 208ff

Distribution Hymns:
“Great is Thy Faithfulness” **LSB 809**
“Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior” **LSB 619**

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” **LSB 643**

*Nunc Dimittis: LSB 211

*Post-Communion Collect: LSB 212

*Benediction: LSB 212

Closing Hymn: **LSB 660**
“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman please pray that she be able to care for her cousin's 4 children, living with her since her cousin's tragedy. Also, please pray for them to have hope, faith, health. a woman please pray for her partner's health issues. Please pray that she will get back to church soon. a woman please pray over her heart problems. For men -a man please pray for his health to improve. a man please pray for his heart issues, his illness, and his cataracts.

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