"Eighth Sunday after Pentecost"

Thurs. July 31 - 6:30 p.m.; Sun. August 3 - 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

As We Gather

Golfers enjoy getting a mulligan—a free shot or do-over. As we look back on our lives, we sometimes see times that we wish we could go back to and have a mulligan. We would like to be able to go back and make a different decision or fix a mistake we made. We cannot turn back time. God gives us something better. He gives us a new life—a fresh start that we get to celebrate every day as we remember our Baptism and the riches God gives us.

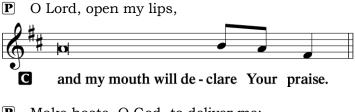
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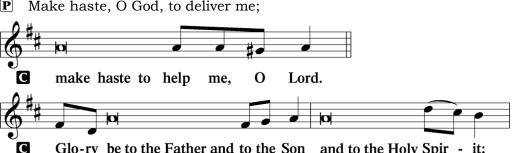
Hymn LSB

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.



Make haste, O God, to deliver me;



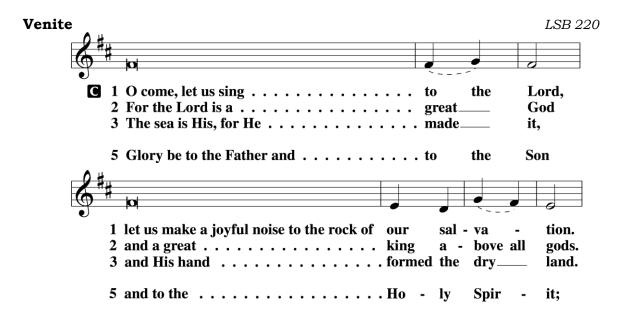
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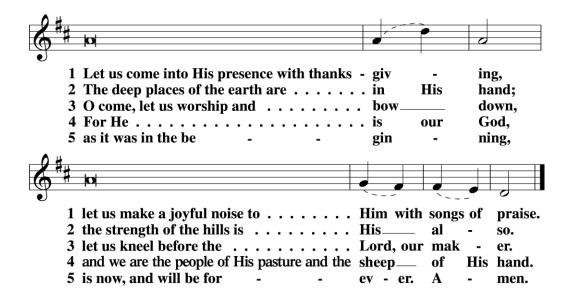


Psalmody

P Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.







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Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, Your grace and mercy have strengthened Your people throughout the ages and emboldened them to come before You in all circumstances. Strengthen our faith and confidence so that we come to You boldly, consistently, and persistently; through Jesus Christ with whom You rule and reign with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity. . . .

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be

busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind. . . .

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Colossians 3:1–11

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

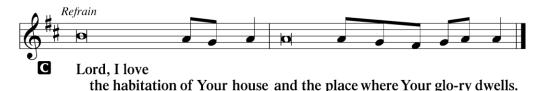
- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God.

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Responsory LSB 221

P Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.



- P Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it. (Refrain)
- P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. (Refrain)

Holy Gospel Luke 12:13–21

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

(on the screens or in the back of the hymnal)

Hymn "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"

LSB 941

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Hymn "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

LSB 851

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice; And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand To the_unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.
- Lord of Glory, You created this world and everything in it, and You continue to rule over it. We praise and thank You for being our Good Shepherd who daily and richly provides for us. Thank You for laying down Your life for us and taking it back up again. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Hymn "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

LSB 851 v.2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own.
With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe That more happy and more blessèd 'Tis to give than to receive.

- Almighty God, we praise and thank You for all the blessings You generously give us. We thank You for our families, friends, opportunities, vocations, and possessions. Lead us to be good stewards of all that You place into our hands. Guard our hearts against selfishness, arrogance, and pride. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Hymn "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

LSB 851 v.3

- 3 Wondrous honor You have given
 To our humblest charity
 In Your own mysterious sentence,
 "You have done it all to Me."
 Can it be, O gracious Master,
 That You deign for alms to sue,
 Saying by Your poor and needy,
 "Give as I have giv'n to you"?
- P Gracious God, You promised Abram that You would bless him to be a blessing. We, too, are truly blessed as we freely receive the riches of Your kingdom. We praise and thank You for the riches of Your Word and the forgiveness we graciously receive at Your Table. Empower us by Your love to care for the widow, the orphan, the poor, and the needy. We pray now for all who are struggling in body, mind, and spirit, [especially . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

Hymn "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

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- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us
 With Your lifeblood as the price,
 Never grudging for the lost ones
 That tremendous sacrifice.
 Give us faith to trust You boldly,
 Hope, to stay our souls on You;
 But, oh, best of all Your graces,
 With Your love our love renew.
- P Glorious Lord, we praise and thank You for calling us by the Gospel, enlightening us with Your gifts, and sanctifying and keeping us in the one true faith. We pray for those in our families, workplaces, and neighborhoods who are near to us but far from You. Pour Your love,

mercy, and grace into their lives and bring them to faith in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- P Lord Jesus, we lift these prayers to You, trusting in Your mercy to hear and answer us according to Your good and gracious will. In Your glorious name, we pray.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- **P** Most merciful God,
- we call upon You because we are troubled by our sins—our sinful thoughts, words, and actions. We are equally troubled by those times when we have failed to act or speak up. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus, who delivered us through His perfect life, death, and resurrection so that we may glorify You with our lives.
- Our God hears our prayers for mercy and graciously forgives our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Go in peace.
- C Amen.





C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Words of Our Lord

Lord's Prayer

(on the screens or in the back of the hymnal)

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Our Communion Practices

If these are your beliefs:

I believe that Jesus Christ is my only Lord and Savior from all sin, Satan and death.

I believe that Christ is really present in the sacrament and that with the bread and wine I receive His true Body and Blood.

I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Church, by regular worship and devoted

Christian service and living.....

please join us as we celebrate Holy Communion.

Distribution Hymns

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Post-Communion Thanksgiving

P Let us pray.

O God our Father, You are the source of all that is good. In Your mercy, You canceled the record of our debts that stood against us by nailing them to the cross. We thank You for nourishing us with the body and blood of Your Son. Continue to build us up into Him as You knit us together in one holy communion. Lead us to walk in Him, established in the faith that we have been taught; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 228

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 228

- P The grace of our Lord → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.

Hymn "" LSB

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