

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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Immanuel Lutheran Church

Fargo, North Dakota

◆ **Service of Prayer and Preaching** ◆ (pages 260 - 267)

Pre-Service Music - Welcome

Opening Versicles (Common)

LSB 260

Opening Hymn **“Built on the Rock”**

LSB 645

Psalmody

Psalms 23:1-6

P: The Lord is my shepherd;

C: I shall not want.

P: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

C: He leads me beside still waters.

P: He restores my soul.

C: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.

P: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

C: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

C: you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

P: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

R: The Old Testament reading for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost is from Jeremiah, chapter twenty-three.

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord.

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and

righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music "*Marvelous Light*," by Charlie Hall

Chorus: *Into marvelous light I'm running,
Out of darkness, out of shame.
By the cross you are the truth, You are the life, you are the way.*

*I once was fatherless, a stranger with no hope;
Your kindness wakened me, wakened me, from my sleep.
Your love it beckons deeply, a call to come and die.
By grace now I will come, And take this life, take Your life.
Sin has lost it's power, death has lost it's sting.
From the grave You've risen victoriously. Chorus*

*My dead heart now is beating, My deepest stain's now clean.
Your breath fills up my lungs. Now I'm free, now I'm free!
Sin has lost it's power, death has lost it's sting.
From the grave You've risen victoriously. Chorus*

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Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

R: The Epistle is written in Ephesians, chapter two.

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:30-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the sixth chapter.

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Common Responary

(LSB 263)

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

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Catechism

LSB 264

Children's Message

Sermon *"Reconciled in Christ"*

Ephesians: 2:13ff

Hymn of Response *"The Church's One Foundation"*

LSB 644

+ Service of Holy Communion – 8:15 am +

(Guests and visitors please refer to guideline “Preparation for Holy Communion”, printed on the inside of the bulletin cover.)

Prayers of the Church

Offering

(Please sign and pass the green Fellowship book found at the center end of each pew.)

Corporate Confession and Absolution

LSB 290-291

Words of Institution

Hymns during Distribution

“O Living Bread from Heaven”

LSB 642

“Christ Be My Leader”

LSB 861

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

LSB 725

General Dismissal

New Testament Canticle (sung)

LSB 266-267

Blessing

LSB 267

Announcements

Closing Hymn **“Hail, O Source of Every Blessing”** **LSB 409**

Service without Holy Communion – 11 am

Offering

(Please sign and pass the green Fellowship book found at the center end of each pew.)

Hymn **“Christ Be My Leader”**

LSB 861

Prayers of the Church

Luther’s Morning Prayer

LSB 266

New Testament Canticle (sung)

LSB 266-267

Blessing

LSB 267

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