

I am the living bread that came  
down from heaven. If anyone eats  
of this bread, he will live forever.

John 6:51

## 11th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am Service  
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## Prelude and Meditation Psalm 34:1-8

### Welcome

#### 904 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your Word We are gath - ered  
2 All - our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est  
3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light of Light, from  
△ 4 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, Lord, Praise to You and



all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred  
dark - ness shroud - ed Till Your Spir - it breaks our night  
God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;  
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we may trust Your Word,



Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teach - ings,  
With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to  
Help us by Your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry Your  
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.  
God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.  
Church now rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.  
low must wan - der, Till we sing Your prais - es yon - der.

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## Invocation

- P: In the name of the Father  
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen.**  
P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,  
and the truth is not in us.  
**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful  
and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us  
from all unrighteousness.**

## Confession

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we are  
by nature sinful and unclean.  
We have sinned against You  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and  
by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors  
as ourselves.  
We justly deserve  
Your present and eternal punishment.  
For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us.  
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in Your will  
and walk in Your ways  
to the glory of Your holy name.  
Amen.**

## Absolution

- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for  
you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a  
called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His  
authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the  
name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C: Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit - Psalm 34:8-10

- P: You open your hand;  
**C: you satisfy the desire of every living thing.**  
P: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!  
**C: Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!**  
P: Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints,  
**C: for those who fear him have no lack!**  
P: The young lions suffer want and hunger;  
**C: but those who seek the Lord  
lack no good thing.**  
**All: 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.**  
P: You open your hand;  
**C: you satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

### Kyrie

LSB 152

- P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**  
P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let  
us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**  
P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being  
of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us  
pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**  
P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their  
worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**C: Lord, have mercy.**  
P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**C: Amen.**

## Gloria in Excelsis

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P: Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to His people on earth.  
**C: Lord God, heavenly king,  
almighty God and Father:  
We worship You, we give You thanks,  
we praise You for Your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God:  
You take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.  
For You alone are the Holy One,  
You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## First Reading

**1 Kings 19:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." <sup>3</sup>Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

<sup>4</sup>But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." <sup>5</sup>And he lay down and slept under a broom tree.

And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." <sup>6</sup>And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." <sup>8</sup>And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Psalm 34:9, 19

Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing! Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

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## Epistle Reading

## Ephesians 4:17 - 5:2

<sup>17</sup>This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. <sup>18</sup>They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. <sup>19</sup>They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity.

<sup>20</sup>But that is not the way you learned Christ!—  
<sup>21</sup>assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, <sup>22</sup>to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, <sup>23</sup>and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, <sup>24</sup>and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

<sup>25</sup>Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup>Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup>Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

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## Epistle Reading (continued)

<sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

<sup>1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup>And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia & Verse

C: **Alleluia Lord, to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

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

## Holy Gospel

**John 6:35-51**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. <sup>36</sup>But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. <sup>37</sup>All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. <sup>38</sup>For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.

<sup>39</sup>And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. <sup>40</sup>For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

<sup>41</sup>So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?"

<sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— <sup>46</sup>not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father.

<sup>47</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## 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,  
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.

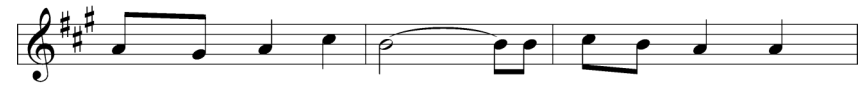
Amen

*You may be seated*

## 720 - We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight, No  
2 We may not touch His hands and side, Nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And  
4 For You, O res - ur - rect - ed Lord, Are  
5 Lord, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From Him who spoke as  
fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound To call on You when  
found in means di - vine: Be - neath the wa - ter  
realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke, But we be - lieve Him near.  
we re - joice And cry "My Lord and God!"  
You are near And seek where You are found.  
and the Word, Be - neath the bread and wine.  
as You are, With full and end - less sight.

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## Sermon

*"Jesus: Liar, Lunatic, Legend or Lord "*

John 6:41-51

Pastor Carey Elam

### Notes

## Prayer of the Church

## Offering

## Preface

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P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples.

For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and arch angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

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**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

## The Words of Our Lord

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P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said:

*“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying:

*“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## The Lord's Prayer

Matt 6:9-13

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.

## Pax Domini

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P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen.**

## Passing of the Peace

## Agnus Dei

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**C: Lamb of God,**  
**You take away the sin of the world;**  
**have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God,**  
**You take away the sin of the world;**  
**have mercy on us.**  
**Lamb of God,**  
**You take away the sin of the world;**  
**grant us peace.**

## Distribution



## Post-Communion Blessing

### Thank the Lord

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- C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise;  
tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord  
rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises  
and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

### Post-Communion Collect

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- A** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You  
have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and  
we implore You that of Your mercy You would  
strengthen us through the same in faith toward  
You and fervent love toward one another; through  
Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and  
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now  
and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

### Benediction

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- P** 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.
- C** **Amen.**

## 738 Lord of All Hopefulness



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:

Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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### Postlude

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Blessings  
on your homeward way

Announcements  
on back page

**Education Planning Meeting:** Tues Aug 10 @ 6:30  
Open to all

**Youth Group Yard Sale** <—**This Week**  
**Aug 14, Sat 6:00 a.m.**

Please bring your gently used items to the Fellowship hall Profits will help the youth on their way to the National Youth Gathering

**Mexican Train Dominoes** - Sat, Aug 14 @6:30  
Dominoes... It's not just a pizza joint.  
Come play Mexican Train Dominoes or just hang out.  
Bring a snack to share.  
No experience required...for the game or the snack.

### **Food Bank Service Day**

Service day: Wed August 17 @ 1 - 3:30 pm  
Volunteer Application

You must fill out a volunteer application.  
Available in Welcome Center or Website

### **Welcome Home Family Reunion Worship**

Sun, Aug 22 @ 10:00 am Combined Worship  
Followed by cookout, games, and fellowship  
Let's hangout and visit with those you haven't seen in a while and get to know our new family members.

**Sunday School** Begins Aug 29 @ 9:15 am  
*Prayerfully consider being a teacher*

Check out the Calendar:  
<https://www.stpaulmontgomery.org/calendar>