

O Lord,
I love the habitation
of your house
and the place where
your glory dwells.
Psalm 26:8

August 22, 2021
13th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 am Service
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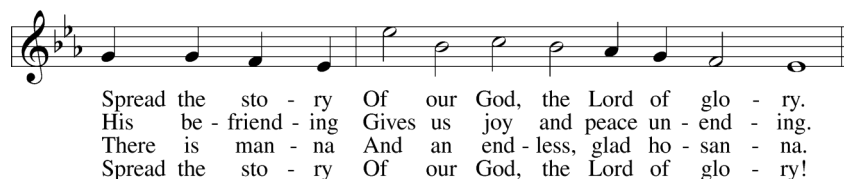
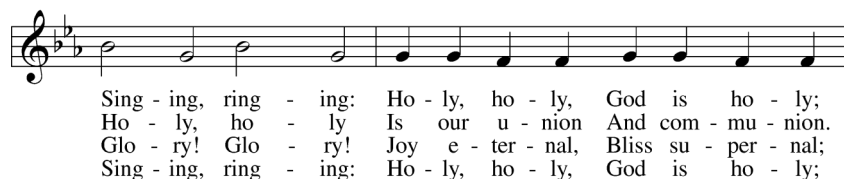
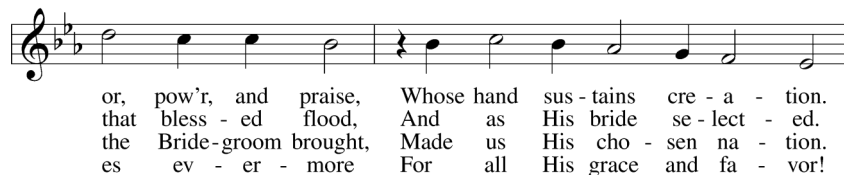
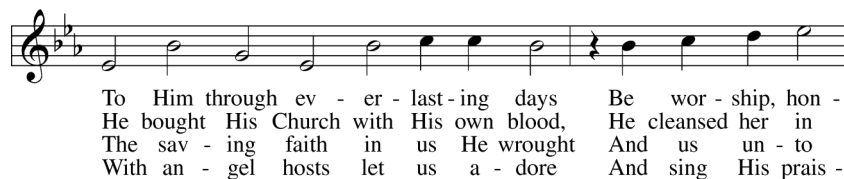


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Prelude and Meditation Psalm 14

Welcome

822 - Alleluia! Let Praises Ring



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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 26:1-2, 6-7

- P: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house
C: and the place where your glory dwells.
P: Vindicate me, O Lord,
for I have walked in my integrity,
C: and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.
P: Prove me, O Lord, and try me;
C: test my heart and my mind.
P: I wash my hands in innocence
and go around your altar, O Lord,
**C: proclaiming thanksgiving aloud,
and telling all your wondrous deeds.**
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: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house
C: and the place where your glory dwells.

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

LSB 154

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

Isaiah 29:11-19

¹¹The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." ¹²And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read."

¹³And the Lord said

"Because this people draw near with their mouth
and honor me with their lips,
while their hearts are far from me,
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,

¹⁴therefore, behold, I will again
do wonderful things with this people,
with wonder upon wonder;
and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish,
and the discernment of their discerning men shall
be hidden."

¹⁵Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel,
whose deeds are in the dark,
and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?"

¹⁶You turn things upside down!

Shall the potter be regarded as the clay,
that the thing made should say of its maker,
"He did not make me";

or the thing formed say of him who formed it,
"He has no understanding"?

¹⁷Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

¹⁸In that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.

¹⁹The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the
Holy One of Israel.

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.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 5:22-33

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the
Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as
Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself
its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so al-
so wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the
church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might
sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of wa-
ter with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church
to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any
such thing, that she might be holy and without blem-
ish. ²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives
as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves him-
self.

²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourish-
es and cherishes it, just as Christ does the
church, ³⁰because we are members of his
body. ³¹“Therefore a man shall leave his father and
mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall be-
come one flesh.”

³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it
refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one
of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that
she respects her husband.

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

Mark 7:1-13

¹When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ²they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.)

⁵And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honors me with their lips,
but their heart is far from me;
⁷in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines
the commandments of men.'

⁸You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."

⁹And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' ¹¹But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban' (that is, given to God)— ¹²then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

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,
Was crucified, died, and was buried
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

685 - Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

Sermon

"True Saving Faith: Walking In Christ"

Mark 7:1-13

Pastor Steve Richardson

Notes

Prayer of the Church

Offering

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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

Pg. 161

**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 f
or 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.**

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1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than
 2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I
 3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup -
 4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my
 rest on His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and
 port me in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly
 may I then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Blessings
on your homeward way

Announcements
on back page

Masks Required - Beginning August 29

Out of an abundance of caution and, more so, out of love for one another, masks will be required for anyone in the facilities irrespective of vaccination status.

³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.
Philippians 2:3-4

Welcome Home Family Reunion Celebration

Date: TBD - Stay Tuned

Due to the COVID exposure to members within the St Paul family and the rising cases in the area, this activity will be rescheduled

Sunday School

Begins Aug 29 @ 9:15 am

Prayerfully consider being a teacher



Fall Choir

If you are interested exploring the possibility of a Fall Choir, please meet in the Balcony August 29 after 2nd service

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