

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity,✝ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Compassionate God,

C we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."

In the name of God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, a - dore him; praise him, an - gels, in the height;
- 2 Praise the Lord, for he is gra - cious; nev - er shall his prom-ise fail.



sun and moon, re - jice be - fore him; praise him, gleam-ing stars and light.
God has made his saints vic - to - rious; sin and death shall not pre - vail.



Praise the Lord, for he has spo - ken; worlds his might-y voice o - beyed;
Praise the God of our sal - va - tion; hosts on high, his pow'r pro-claim;



laws which nev - er shall be bro - ken for their guid-ance he has made.
heav'n and earth, and all cre-a - tion, laud and mag-ni - fy his name!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance.

Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

¹ Hear, everyone who thirsts; come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your earnings for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will

make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 145:8-9, 14-21

(Refrain: You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.)

⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C ⁹ LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works. *(Refrain)*

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

C ¹⁵ The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.

¹⁶ You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

C ¹⁷ You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works. *(Refrain)*

¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call up on you faithfully.

C ¹⁹ You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.

²⁰ You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

C ²¹ My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever. *(Refrain)*

(Refrain: You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.)

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

¹ I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵ to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:1-12

C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ The Pharisees and Sadducees came, and to test Jesus they asked him to show them a sign from heaven. ² He answered them, "When it is evening, you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red.' ³ And in the morning, 'It will be stormy today, for the sky is red and threatening.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you

cannot interpret the signs of the times. ⁴ An evil and adulterous generation asks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah.” Then he left them and went away. ⁵ When the disciples reached the other side, they had forgotten to bring any bread. ⁶ Jesus said to them, “Watch out, and beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.” ⁷ They said to one another, “It is because we have brought no bread.” ⁸ And becoming aware of it, Jesus said, “You of little faith, why are you talking about having no bread? ⁹ Do you still not perceive? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand and how many baskets you gathered? ¹⁰ Or the seven loaves for the four thousand and how many baskets you gathered? ¹¹ How could you fail to perceive that I was not speaking about bread? Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees!” ¹² Then they understood that he had not told them to beware of the yeast of bread but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

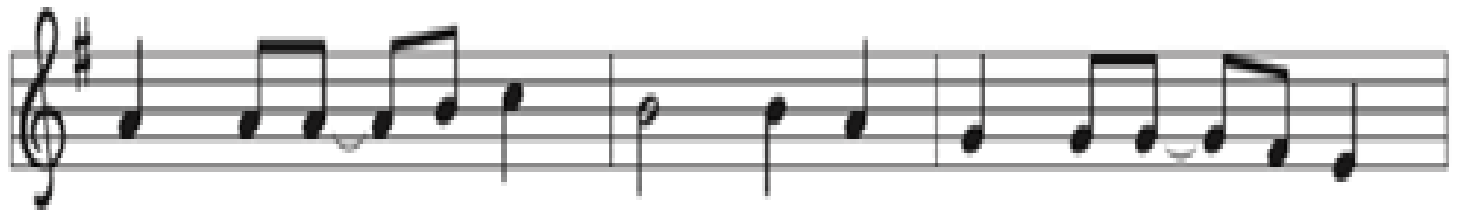
SERMON *Pastor Timothy Holt*

HYMN OF THE DAY

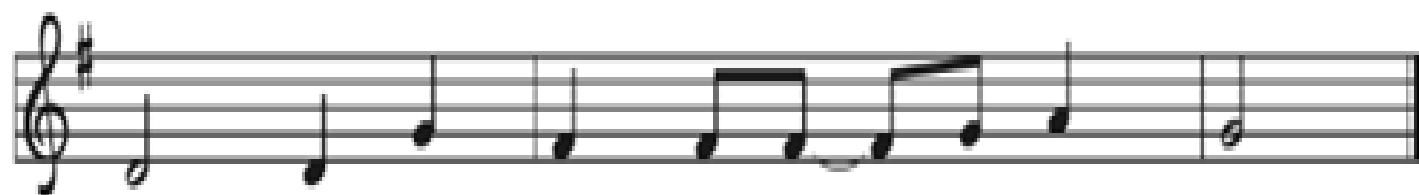
Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand



Kwa - ke Ye - su na - si - ma - ma, ndi - ye
Here on Je - sus Christ I will stand. He's the



mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma. Ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la -
sol - id rock of my life. He's the sol - id rock of my



ma, ndi - ye mwam - ba ni sa - la - ma.
life. He's the sol - id rock of my life.



1 There's no oth - er place I can hide till the
2 It is not the work of my hands that has
3 When my days on this earth are done, and I



storm that rag - es sub - sides. My voice cries to God from the
washed a - way all my sins. I'm re - deemed, and all of my
stand at God's ho - ly throne, my heart will not have an - y



flood, and I'm saved be - cause of his blood.
days, Je - sus Christ will be my heart's praise.
fear; in Christ's righ - teous - ness I am here.

Refrain

Text: Kenyan hymn; adapt. Greg Scheer, b. 1966

Music: KWAKE YESU NASIMAMA, Kenyan melody; adapt. Greg Scheer

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APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

For your church in every place, that it satisfies those who hunger for your word. Bless the ministry of

readers, translators, Bible study leaders, and writers,
that God's word is broken open and shared with all.
Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For your wondrous creation and all the bounty it
provides, that your creatures are fed and nourished.
Bless the work of farmers, farmworkers, those who
fish, and all whose labor brings your abundance to
our tables. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For all who cry out with great sorrow and unceasing
anguish, that they are comforted. Feed all who
struggle with food insecurity; have mercy on all who
are suffering in body, mind, and spirit. *(We pray
especially for Alexis, Brenda, Carol, Donna, Ely,
Katrina, Leroy, Ron Bauer, Amy DeKemper, Keith
Freyberger, Dorothy Fuhrman, Elizabeth Hansen,
Jackson Joseph Hoffman, Lana Hoffman, Mary Ann
Jerger, Carol Keller, Don Krodel, Nancy Krodel, Rex
Krodel, Wanda Krodel, Zach Leinenbach, Madison
Mann, Jeanne Marks, Dean Mehringer, Melvin Meyer,
Logan Musgrave, Bob Nugent, Christine Probst, Anita
Reed, Annette Schepers, Jim Seitz, Kaine Seitz, Judy*

Wessel, family and friends of Ashley Sendelweck, family and friends of Todd James, family and friends of Alice June Harker, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.) Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

For this congregation, that it bears faithful witness to the abundance and joy of life in you. Bless all your faithful people gathered here, that they may become blessings for this community. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

With thanksgiving for the faithful who now rest in your mercy, that their witness continues to inspire the church. By their example, may we trust your promises in life and in death. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. *(We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel, Joshua Hoffman, and Cooper Uebelhor.)* God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *(Verse 1 only)*

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in-to one to be-come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,

2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain



may we share the pres - ence of your love.

all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ; who, enthroned forever at your right hand, intercedes for

us as our great high priest. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

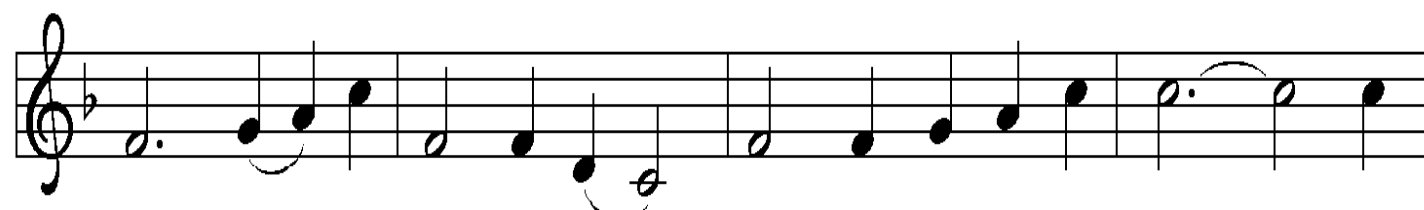
SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

WOV 690 *"Shall We Gather at the River"*

WOV 725 *"Blessed Be the God of Israel"*

WOV 649 *"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE *(Verse 1 only)*



1 O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,

2 Then grant that I may fol - low your gleam, O glo - rious Light,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:
till earth-ly shad-ows scat - ter, and faith is changed to sight;



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,
till rap-tured saints shall gath - er up - on that shin-ing shore,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
where Christ, the bless-ed day - star, shall light them ev - er - more.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

C Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✝ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

LBW 409 "Praise and Thanksgiving"

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Mission Statement: *Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship,
Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.*

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THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

Greeters: Conor and Taylor Hart
Comm. Asst: Brandie Beck
Video: JoAn Breitwieser
Organist: Arlene Vonderheide
Lay Reader: Terry Seitz
Audio: Bryan Buchta
Acolytes: Carlie Beck
Altar Guild: Tina Terwiske, Gabbie Chinn,
Talia Myrick, Tara Uebelhor



ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 159

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Aug 2nd – Aug. 9th

Sun., Aug 2 nd	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service
	10:00 AM	Unload trailer from Fest (basement)
Wed., Aug. 6 th	5:30 PM	WELCA outing (Thyen-Clark Cultural Center)
Sun., Aug 9 th	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship Service (Backpack/New Driver Sunday)

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the altar this morning are from John & Martha Church in honor of Doug's birthday.

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Strassenfest volunteers needed **today** after church to unload the trailer from the Fest and additionally we need volunteers to breakdown the stand after the parade!

Thanks! Shirley Stallwood

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Listening Assistance Devices are once again available for use during our services. These devices can be found in the small bookcase just inside the doors between the Welcome Center and Narthex.

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Finance committee will meet after church on Sunday, August 23rd. -Jeff Schmitt

The August WELCA meeting will take place at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center on Thursday, August 6th at 5:30 pm to view the Patoka Valley Quilters Guild exhibit.

This exhibit features quilts and fiber artworks by local artists. The work represents a wide variety of techniques, from traditional pieced and appliqued quilts, machine- or hand-stitched, to cutting-edge art and decorative pieces.

After touring the exhibit, we will enjoy a meal together at Applebee's.

Please let us know of your plans to attend by signing the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center by August 2nd. -*Barb Schnarr*

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Kick off the school year right! We would like to invite all students and teachers to bring your backpacks, totes or briefcases with you to church on Sunday, August 9th at 9:00 AM to have them blessed!

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NEW DRIVER BLESSING

In conjunction with the Blessing of Backpacks, we will also be acknowledging and blessing the new drivers of our congregation. If your child has recently received or will be receiving their driver's license this year, please have them join us on Sunday, August 9th.

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Have an announcement, special event, accomplishment, etc. you would like to share with your church family? Epistle Newsletter content and pictures always welcome!

Call or email Marcie 😊

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SCHOOL KITS

St. Paul's will begin collecting for school kits, for the Lutheran World Relief, the entire month of August. **NOTE: We currently have enough pencils from last year and do not need any at this time.** Look for the display in welcome area. Take advantage of the back-to-school sales and shop now! These supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not.

Items to include in each School Kit:



- ×4 Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 10½"; no loose-leaf paper**



- ×1 One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other**



- ×1 One pencil sharpener**



- ×1 One blunt scissors
(safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)**



- ×5 Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band**



- ×1 One box of 16 or 24 crayons**



- ×1 One 2½" eraser**

Guidelines:

- Please give new items only, except where otherwise noted
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.

If you **are currently not**, and would like to receive the monthly newsletter, weekly bulletin email, or prayer chain email, please leave this form below in the box outside the church office.

Name _____

- ☐ St. Paul's newsletter, "**The Epistle**"
- ☐ weekly bulletin email
- ☐ weekly prayer list email

(please check selections)

Email: _____

Mailing address for newsletter:

Thanks,
Marcie, secretary

An American flag is shown waving in the background, with its stars and stripes visible. The flag is positioned behind the text, which is centered over it.

In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser

AMC Luke Himself

Joshua Hoffman

Cooper Uebelhor

Redzikowo, Poland

Virginia Beach, VA

San Diego, CA

Colorado Springs, CO

in happy moments,
PRAISE GOD
in difficult moments,
SEEK GOD
in quiet moments,
TRUST GOD
in every moment,
THANK GOD

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