



Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA

"Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving."

10th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion Sunday

August 1st, 2021

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Bold text indicates worshipers' response, and *' means please stand as able

PRELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

GATHERING

* P: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

* CONFESSION Blessed be the holy Trinity, **✝** one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen. Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

FORGIVENESS Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, **✝** the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY O God, **of eternal goodness and immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world, with all we need. As believers and disciples of Jesus, allow us to seek out what he alone provides us - to nourish our bodies, minds and spirits. May we be bold enough to live in ways that leads others to the bread of life, that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GROWING

PRAYING BEFORE READING/HEARING GOD'S WORD "Lord, **here I am. Show me something about you today; show me something about myself today. Give me eyes to see where I am falling short. Give me a heart to receive your truth. Transform me and help me to engage in the world around me. Amen.**" "How to Read Your Bible" IF: EQUIP/rightnow Media p. 26

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in the ways we use our God-given gifts in our daily lives, using them for the kingdom of God work we are called to be part of individually, and as a body of Christ. A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians, chapter 4, beginning at verse 1.

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love. The word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. When Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest, they push back with a reminder of what Moses provided the Israelites in the wilderness. Jesus' response is one of correction, promise, and key words about his true identity. The Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter. All: Glory to you O Lord.

²²The next day the crowd that had stayed on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there. They also saw that Jesus had not got into the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³Then some boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." ³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON *What are we using to fill our hunger? What does it mean to believe in Jesus?* Pastor Mary Eide Blue #701 HYMN OF THE DAY *"What Feast of Love"* p. 5

GIVING

* OFFERING PRAYER 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.**

* PRAYERS AND PETITIONS (L: . Hear us, O God, **All: Your mercy is great.**)

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

* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

* LORD'S PRAYER **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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

* INVITATION TO COMMUNION Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come and be fed!

HOLY COMMUNION

* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION 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.**

* ANNOUNCEMENTS/BLESSING The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, **+** be upon you now and forever. Amen.

* Blue #702 SENDING HYMN *"I Am the Bread of Life"* (last page)

* DISMISSAL Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

* POSTLUDE

Michelle Young

SCHEDULE

Today	10:00am	- Worship w/Holy Communion
Monday	7pm	- AA Meeting
Tuesday:	4-6 pm	- Food Pantry
Wednesday	9am	- <i>CANCELLED</i> "How to read your Bible" study
Friday:	10am-Noon	- Food Pantry
SUNDAY:	10:00am	- Worship
	10:45am	- Fellowship
Monday	7pm	- AA Meeting
Tuesday	2:30pm	- Sunday School meeting
	6:00pm	- Finance meeting
Wednesday	9am	- "How to read your Bible" study
Thursday:	4-7pm	- Our Ice Cream Social

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR ICE CREAM SOCIAL is going to be held on THUR. AUG. 12th 4-7pm. You can help make this a success by donating items used for the meal (or make a financial donation)...oh, and of course, come and enjoy the meal.

NOTE: Giving to support God's ministry at Shepherd of the Hill can be mailed to (Mailing address: 207 University St., Elk Mound, WI 54739 – OR – by going on our website (www.sothem.org) to **GIVE** tab to make a one time or reoccurring donation. Setting up an account with GivePlus is easy!

FINANCE MEMBER-AT-LARGE COMMITTEE MEMBER is needed. We thank Karen Gugel for her years of working on the Finance Committee! This committee meets monthly, most often on the 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning at 6pm. We review financial reports with our (*amazing*) bookkeeper, make recommendations to the church council, and create an annual budget for the council to review and the congregation to vote on each year. **WARNING:** *While it is not part of our monthly agenda, laughter and relationship building have become a vital part of our mission!* Want to know more? You can ask current and former members: Rita Lee, Sarah Larson, Steve Sweeney, Pastor Mary Eide, Karen Gugel, Tony Zimmer and Linda O'Mara.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING Tues., 8/10 at 2:30pm to review final plans for Rally Day Sunday and Sunday School for the coming school year. Youth and adults welcome to join our ministry team, whether as teachers/assistants or 'behind-the-scenes' workers.

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BIBLE STUDY THOUGHTS/OBSERVATIONS

OBSERVE What do you see/hear within this text? Who is part of the story? What words catch your attention/make you curious? What is God doing? What are the people doing?

INTERPRET What does this text make you understand about God? People of the 1st century? What call to action to you hear for believers/scoffers/enemies?

APPLY What do you hear God telling YOU? Inspiring you? Causing you to consider about your faith or life? Do you find HOPE? ENCOURAGEMENT? JUDGMENT? Is God asking you to go deeper? Does God offer wisdom for our congregation?

What Feast of Love



- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?
 What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en?
 What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?

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This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

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Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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I Am the Bread of Life

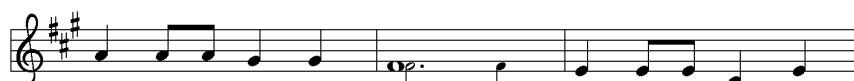
Leader or All



1 "I am the Bread of life. You who
2 "The bread that . . . I will give is my
3 "Un - less . . . you . . . eat of the
4 "I am the res - ur - rec - tion, . . .
5 Yes, Lord, . . . I be - lieve that . . .



come to me shall not hun - ger, and who be -
flesh for the life of the world, . . . and if you
flesh of the Son of Man . . . and . . .
I . . . am the life. . . If you be -
you . . . are the Christ, . . . the . . .




lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
eat . . . of this bread, you shall . . . live for -
drink . . . of his blood, and drink . . . of his
lieve . . . in . . . me, e - ven . . . though you
Son . . . of . . . God, who . . . have . . .



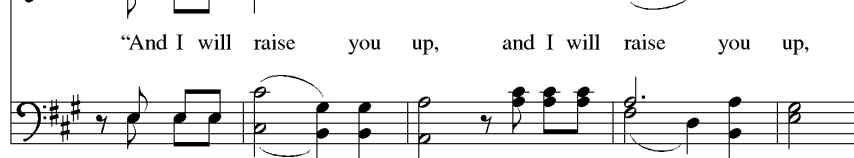
me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons."
ev - er, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
blood, you shall not have life with - in you."
die, . . . you shall live for - ev - er."
come in - to . . . the . . . world. . .

Refrain

All



"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,




and I will raise you up on the last day."



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

Music: I AM THE BREAD, Suzanne Toolan, RSM

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