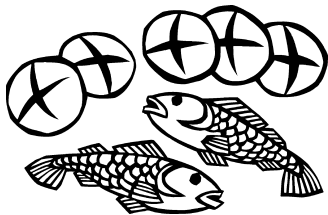


10th Sunday after Pentecost
Augustana Lutheran
Church
July 28, 2024



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Prelude

Shannon Peterson

GATHERING

Announcements

Announcement of the Day

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

*Opening Hymn

"I Come with Joy" #482 v.1,2,3

*Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father,

and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

***Greeting**

P: 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** (p.184)

***Prayer of the Day**

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Response to the Reading

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Carl Peterson, Solo "A Lord-Built House — Lentz/arr Courtney

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded

in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Response to the Reading

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***Gospel Acclamation** (p.188)

***Gospel Announcement and Spoken Response**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel: John 6:1-21**

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a

strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

***Spoken Gospel Response**

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Camp Send-Off

Sermon

Pastor Chuck Meyer

Silence for reflection.

***Hymn of the Day** "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" #674

***Apostles' Creed**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 —**

We pray for: Dan Graben; Terry Heck; Con Heider; Nancy Henry; Alex Hexom; Stan Hinzmann; Dennis Holton; Olivia Kallaos; Marlene Levine; Diane Lindgren; Angie Lopez; Charlie McAllister; Terry McAllister; Becky Moos; Craig Nordaker; Tom Peterson; Gene Roach; Clyde Robinson; Dan Robinson; Linda Roth; Shelly Schossow; Dick Sea; Lori Shannon; Marge Swanson; Cody Wall; and those affected by disasters and diseases throughout the world. Let us pray for all of the caregivers that give of their time and gentle care for those who are ill.

We also pray for the families of the church: Rollie, Kris, Abby, and Aiden Whitsel; Spencer Will; Darla Williams; Craig, Anne, Kaylyn, and Klara Winter; James Wooley.

A: In your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

***Sharing of the Peace**

OFFERING

***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.

MEAL

***Great Thanksgiving** (p.190)

***Proper Preface**

***Sanctus** (p.190)

***Words of Institution**

***Lord's Prayer** (p.191)

P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

***Invitation to Holy Communion**

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.

Come!

C: Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God (p.191)

Distribution—*We believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the Supper of our Lord, in the forms of bread and wine. We also believe that admission to the sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. All are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper at Augustana Lutheran Church. Receive the bread in your hands. Gluten free hosts are available if you prefer. The wine will be served in a small glass. Grape juice is available if you prefer. Those who do not partake of Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

Distribution Hymns

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

#484

"Break Now the Bread of Life"

#515

***Post-Communion Blessing**

P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***Post-Communion Prayer**

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.

SENDING

***Blessing**

The blessing of the triune God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
† be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

***Closing Hymn**

“I Come with Joy” #482 v.4,5

***Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Shannon Peterson

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Today, Sunday, July 28 Worship Leaders—Presiding Minister: Pastor Chuck Meyer; Assisting Minister: Emily Anderson; Musician: Shannon Peterson; Technical Assistant: Team Madsen; Altar Guild: Rollie and Kris Whitsel; Acolytes: Madeline Hexom and Alex Hexom

Sunday, August 4 Worship Leaders—Presiding Minister: Pastor Chuck Meyer; Assisting Minister: Russ Wooley; Musician: Angela Iversen; Technical Assistant: Team Hexom; Altar Guild: Debbie and Terry McAllister; Acolytes: Elie Iversen and Klara Winter

Attendance for Sunday, July 21—55

City-Wide Vacation Bible School—Vacation Bible School will take place August 12-15, 2024 at Faith United Presbyterian Church (4327 Morningside Ave) from 6:00pm-8:00pm. The free meal starts at 5:30pm. This year's theme is the people in our neighborhood...getting to know them and learning from Christ on how to be good neighbors. Feel free to share this information with the young people in your lives and community! *Scan the code below to register your child(ren)! If you need help or have questions, let Pastor Chuck know.*



SCAN ME

Help People Affected by the Flooding—An announcement from the Western Iowa Synod in regards to helping people affected by the flooding: "Having funds readily available to purchase needed items is essential in this time. Giving is the fastest way you can help. Donated funds go to the Lutheran Disaster Response account of the Western Iowa Synod and will be distributed to areas in need. Go to wisynod.org/give and click 'Lutheran Disaster' to donate."

July Benevolence—We are collecting school supplies for Irving Elementary. A basket for donations can be found outside of the Reformation Hall. We are also soliciting donations for the flood affected in our area. We will collect through our weekly collection then make one donation to Lutheran Disaster Response at the end of the month.

Support Siouxland Soldiers—During the month of June we collected food for the Support Siouxland Soldiers Food Pantry. Dr. Dick Hettinger dropped off 75 pounds of food last week. Thank you to everyone who donated and made this possible. Awesome job Augustana!

This week at Augustana

Sunday, July 28, 2024

9:00am Holy Communion

*Pastor leaves for Lutheran Lakeside
Camp*

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

5:00pm Just For Kix

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

5:30pm Just For Kix

Thursday, August 1, 2024

5:30pm Just For Kix

Next week at Augustana

Sunday, August 4, 2024

9:00am Holy Communion

Monday, August 5, 2024

6:00pm Just For Kix

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

5:30pm Just For Kix

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

10:00am Women's Bible Study

5:30pm Just For Kix

Thursday, August 8, 2024

5:30pm Just For Kix

Welcome to all visitors; we've been expecting you! Please worship with us regularly! If you are looking for a church home and would like to attend a new member class, please check the appropriate box on the Fellowship Register when you sign in. The register can be found on the table near the gym entrance. Please sign it and check the appropriate boxes.

There are several ways to find out more about Augustana! Copies of the *Trumpeter*, Augustana's monthly newsletter, are available in the entryway for visitors. Look for us on the web at www.augustanasc.org. Check us out on Facebook! Augustana Lutheran, Sioux City is the name of our page.

Congregational Mission Statement

A welcoming, caring congregation offering opportunities for worship, spiritual growth, and fellowship.

We express our faith and love to others in the name of Jesus Christ.

