



“...Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.”

John 6:68-69

“Also we have come to believe and  
know that You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God.” - Simon Peter

# **Time After Pentacost**

*Pastor Greg Anderson*

*August 22, 2021*

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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HYMN “O Day of Rest and Gladness”

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HYMN OF PRAISE Lord God...

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P: Let us Pray: Holy god, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

FIRST READING

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

24Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. <sup>14</sup>“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD.

<sup>15</sup>Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose

land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” <sup>16</sup>Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup>for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup>and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

R: The word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 34:15-22 **(Please read responsively)**

<sup>15</sup>The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

**<sup>16</sup>The face of the LORD is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.**

<sup>17</sup>When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

**<sup>18</sup>The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.**

<sup>19</sup>Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.

**<sup>20</sup>He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.**

<sup>21</sup>Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

**<sup>22</sup>The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.**

## SECOND READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power.

<sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

<sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

R: The word of the Lord.     **C: Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL INTRODUCTION "The Holy Gospel..."

**C: "Glory to you O Lord!"**

## GOSPEL

John 6:56-69

<sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.” <sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

## GOSPEL RESPONSE

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

**C: "Praise to you, O Christ!"**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LBW #543

APOSTLES' 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

P: God in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN "Create in me...." LBW pg. 75

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and gifts we offer. Abide with us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen!**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

## BLESSING

## BENEDICTION

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## HYMN "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

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## DISMISSAL

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## POSTLUDE

**Thank you to those who helped with today's service ~**

**Pastor Greg Anderson**

**Organist/Piano ~ Diane Boback**

**Reader ~ Kathy Baxter**

**Ushers ~ Unknown**

### **Contributions**

2021 Total budget \$ 80,533

Contributions needed weekly per 2021 budget \$ 1,550

Given Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup> ~ \$ 1,045.00

## ~Prayer Concerns~

Family of Cassie Chamley (Linda Loeffler's Niece), Herb & Jan Moore, John Nelson & Family, Charlotte and Ken Carlson, Marie Anderson, Louise Ellingson, Glorene Clark, Herb Moore, Bill Utley, Susan (Paula Skelton's sister), Tom Lehtinen

**We offer our prayers to Marty Jacobson and family, Linda Loeffler's brother,** upon the death his daughter Cassie Chamley, and also prayers Cassie's husband. Cassie passed away peacefully during the night while in hospice at the Sanford Hospice Center in Fargo.

## ~Calendar ~

Tuesday	8:30	Bandage Rolling
Next Sunday	10:30	Worship

## Next Sunday ~ August 29<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Greg Anderson  
Organist ~ Diane Boback  
Reader ~ Mary Hess  
Ushers ~

## ~Announcements~

<b>Lawn Mowing Schedule</b>	8-20 to 8-26	Duane Undeland
	8-27 to 9-2	Jeff Weddel

**September Newsletter** articles are due in the office by this Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**The MEMA** (Mesabi East Ministerial Association) Fund is a function of Interchurch. It provides emergency help to people in our area. If you know of anyone in need, you can call: Pastor Barnes 218-742-6525 or Hugh Woods: 218-722—2368.

**Food Shelf** – NEW - Phone: 218-306-6116 Address: 301 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. E.

### **Tables and Chair Use Policy**

Contact Kelly in the office at 229-3214 or 750-4195. A log book and calendar is kept in the office.

**The policy States:**

NEW LIGHTER WEIGHT TABLES AND THE ROUND TABLES  
MAY NOT BE BORROWED AT ANY TIME. ONLY THE OLD  
HEAVIER LONG TABLES MAY BE BORROWED.

**Just a friendly reminder for everyone regarding bulletin and newsletter announcements.** If you leave something in the office that you would like in the bulletin or newsletter, please attach your name to the information. Often times there are questions about it prior to publishing, and I have no idea who to contact. Thanks 😊 ~ Kelly West, OSLC Secretary

**Embarrass Fair Saturday Night Country....Live** ~ Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. JoJo Knapper from OSLC will be singing with “Mudhen Creek” at 7:00 p.m.

**The NE MN Synod Women's Organization** will have their 2021 Gathering on September 11 in Grand Rapids, MN. All women are invited to attend. At this gathering our conference will be collecting foster care kits for children (sizes 3T-5T). The kits include the following: Backpack, throw blanket, pajamas, socks, underwear, toothbrush/toothpaste, comb/brush, stuffed animal, small toy, book. These kits can be designated to be given locally or synod-wide. If you are able to contribute or have any questions, please let me know; much appreciated. Kate Undeland 780-2436.