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GATHERING – *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Pastor: God, our provider . . .

All: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways because they are so different than ours.

We rely on our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We spiritualize your teachings and ignore your ways.

Turn us back to you. Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for our life in this world.

Amen.

Pastor: 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.

All: Amen.

GATHERING SONG

O God of Light

ELW 507

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 23:1-6

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the “flock” of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David’s line to save Israel and Judah.

¹ Watch out, you shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture, declares the Lord. ²This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, proclaims about the shepherds who “tend to” my people: You are the ones who have scattered my flock and driven them away. You haven’t attended to their needs, so I will take revenge on you for the terrible things you have done to them, declares the Lord. ³I myself will gather the few remaining sheep from all the countries where I have driven them. I will bring them back to their pasture, and they will be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will place over them shepherds who care for them. Then they will no longer be afraid or dread harm, nor will any be missing, declares the Lord.

⁵The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up a righteous descendant from David’s line, and he will rule as a wise king. He will do what is just and right in the land. ⁶During his lifetime, Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And his name will be The Lord Is Our Righteousness.

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

MARK 6:30-45, 53-56

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ’s desire to be among those in need.

³⁰ The apostles returned to Jesus and told him everything they had done and taught. ³¹ Many people were coming and going, so there was no time to eat. He said to the apostles, “Come by yourselves to a secluded place and rest for a while.” ³² They departed in a boat by themselves for a deserted place.

³³ Many people saw them leaving and recognized them, so they ran ahead from all the cities and arrived before them. ³⁴ When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Then he began to teach them many things.

³⁵ Late in the day, his disciples came to him and said, “This is an isolated place, and it’s already late in the day. ³⁶ Send them away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy something to eat for themselves.”

³⁷ He replied, “You give them something to eat.”

But they said to him, “Should we go off and buy bread worth almost eight months’ pay and give it to them to eat?”

³⁸ He said to them, “How much bread do you have? Take a look.”

After checking, they said, “Five loaves of bread and two fish.”

³⁹ He directed the disciples to seat all the people in groups as though they were having a banquet on the green grass. ⁴⁰ They sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. ⁴¹ He took the five loaves and the two fish, looked up to heaven, blessed them, broke the loaves into pieces, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² Everyone ate until they were full. ⁴³ They filled twelve baskets with the leftover pieces of bread and fish. ⁴⁴ About five thousand had eaten. ⁴⁵ Right then, Jesus made his disciples get into a boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake, toward Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd.

⁵³ When Jesus and his disciples had crossed the lake, they landed at Gennesaret, anchored the boat, ⁵⁴ and came ashore. People immediately recognized Jesus ⁵⁵ and ran around that whole region bringing sick people on their mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ Wherever he went—villages, cities, or farming communities—they would place the sick in the marketplaces and beg him to allow them to touch even the hem of his clothing. Everyone who touched him was healed.

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

PASTOR LUCY WYNARD

SONG OF THE DAY

Because We Believe

Jamie Harvill, Nancy Gordon

Verse 1

We believe in God the Father
(We believe in God the Father)
We believe in Christ the Son
(We believe in Christ the Son)
We believe in the Holy Spirit
(We believe in the Holy Spirit)
We are the Church and we stand as one
(We are the Church and we stand as one)

Chorus

Holy holy holy is our God
Worthy worthy worthy is our King
All glory and honor are His to receive
To Jesus we sing because we believe

Verse 2

We believe in the Holy Bible
(We believe in the Holy Bible)
We believe in the virgin birth
(We believe in the virgin birth)
We believe in the resurrection
(We believe in the resurrection)
That Christ one day will return to earth
(That Christ one day will return to earth)

Verse 3

We believe in the blood of Jesus
(We believe in the blood of Jesus)
We believe in eternal life
(We believe in eternal life)
We believe in the blood that frees us
(We believe in the blood that frees us)
To become the bride of Christ
(To become the bride of Christ)

Chorus x 2

Holy holy holy is our God
Worthy worthy worthy is our King
All glory and honor are His to receive
To Jesus we sing because we believe)

Verse 4

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Christ the Son
We believe in the Holy Spirit
We are the Church and we stand as one

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

And now we take time to offer our prayers. When prompted, you are encouraged to share your prayer concerns by speaking aloud the names of those on your heart, or if you're worshipping with us online, by typing a name or a few words in the comment box.

Intercessor: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation. *A brief silence.*

Intercessor: Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry. Embolden all the baptized to embody your love and justice. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: Restore your creation, O God. Sustain croplands and pastures and safeguard all farm animals and livestock. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and protect coastlands threatened by rising oceans. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. We pray for the nations of Haiti and Cuba today. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill. We pray especially for those on our hearts and minds, whom we name before you now. . . (. . . *pause 10 seconds* . . .). Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: Nourish this congregation, O God. Feed our hungering spirits, renew our commitment to provide for one another, and revitalize our ministries of feeding and nurturing hungry neighbors. Be with us today in our congregational meeting, that all our decisions may express our mission. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: You lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with the saints (*especially*). As you have received them into your heavenly home, so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

Intercessor: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**All: 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.

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Take a moment to creatively share a sign of peace with those around you. Think of others whom you wish a blessing of Christ's peace. Pray for them briefly, and consider texting, calling, or writing them a note this week.

OFFERING

You are encouraged to continue to give as you are able to the ministry and mission of St. Paul. There is a basket at the back of the sanctuary where you can place your gifts. You can mail your offerings to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 617 St. Lawrence Ave., Beloit, WI 53511. To give online, go to <https://tithe.ly/give?c=531526>. Please check the eNews and newsletter for other ways to support God's Work, Our Hands in our community and around the world.

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RETIREMENT BLESSING FOR CHET ORGAN

Pastor: Gracious God, we thank you for the work and witness of your servant Chet, who has enriched this congregation and shared his gifts with our staff, lay leaders, partners throughout the community, guests, family and friends. We have been immeasurably blessed by his love and commitment to the ministry you called him to among us. Now bless and preserve him in his retirement. Day by day, guide him and give him all that he needs, friends to cheer his way, and a clear vision of that to which you are now calling him. By your Holy Spirit be present in his ongoing pilgrimage, that he may travel with the One who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

SENDING – *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

SENDING BLESSING

Pastor: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING SONG

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

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DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ, you are the bread for the world.

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are in honor of Sara Mueller's birthday, donated by Mark and Beth Stibbe. Happy birthday Sara!

SERVING YOU TODAY

	8:00am	10:30am
Pastor	Rev. Lucy Wynard	
Organist & Director of Music	David Frank	
Nursery Worker		Tori Carr
Council Person	Jane Carr	Judy Markee
Reader	David Frank	David Frank
Intercessor	Sharyn Pann	
Tech/Livestream	Tech Team	
PowerPoint	Zach Fillbach	Murry Family
Coffee Hour Sponsor	Scholarship Committee	

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Ken J. (Chet's friend); **Lisa B.** (Soup Lunch friend); **Konner G.**; **Mark S.**; **Amber V.** (Judelle & Ray Murphy's daughter); **Joy M.** (Judelle & Ray Murphy's granddaughter); **Linda M.**; **Kristina** (Pat Baker's granddaughter); **Terry & Marlene G.** (Beth Rodermel's friends); **Beth R.**; **Ellwyn E.** (Cathy Oswald's brother-in-law); **Ray** (Chet Organ's brother); **Tracy C.** (father of Tori & Trevor Carr's father); **Dick P.** (Chet Organ's friend); **Charlene B.**; **Jennifer and all those who seek shelter**; **Robin B.** (Resa Haile's friend); **Rick M.**; **Roger E.**; **Will S.**; **Kathy W.** (Pastor Lucy's mother-in-law); **Lynn** (Jan Knutson's college friend); **Egil**; **Tori C.**; **Tom** (Billie Kenitzer's brother); **RL**; **Kathy P.**; **Juelane** (Mark Mueller's sister); **Larry & Shayne M.** (St. Paul Soup Lunch friends); **Carol M.**; **Steve H.**; **Timothy W.**; **Shirley** (Ken Harris's mother); **all who have been diagnosed with or are waiting for test results or are otherwise affected by COVID-19; and all those affected by the violence in our nation and around the world; and friends and family in the military.**

Names will usually be kept on the prayer list for two months unless otherwise requested.

Please let us know if you have any additions for the prayer list.



1 O God of light, your word, a lamp un - fail - ing,
 2 From days of old, through blind and will - ful a - ges,
 3 Un - dimmed by time, those words are still re - veal - ing
 4 To all the world your sum - mons you are send - ing,



shall pierce the dark - ness of our earth - bound way
 though we re - belled, you gent - ly sought a - gain,
 to sin - ful hearts your jus - tice and your grace;
 through all the earth, to ev - 'ry land and race,



and show your grace, your plan for us un - veil - ing,
 and spoke through saints, a - pos - tles, proph - ets, sa - ges,
 and quest - ing spir - its, long - ing for your heal - ing,
 that myr - iad tongues, in one great an - them blend - ing,



and guide our foot - steps to the per - fect day.
 who wrote with ea - ger or re - luc - tant pen.
 see your com - pas - sion in the Sav - ior's face.
 may praise and cel - e - brate your gift of grace.

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1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -
 by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

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