



Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ✠

August 2, 2020

Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

This morning Pastor Haug's summer series on the Book of Genesis focuses on the story of the Jacob's ladder to heaven.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world. We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Welcome

Prelude

Spiegel im Spiegel (Mirror/s in the mirror)

Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

**Call to
Worship**

*Please stand as
you are able.*

Psalm 139

LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.

You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

Where can I go then from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"
darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

Search me out, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my restless thoughts.

Look well whether there be any wickedness in me and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

**Gathering
Hymn**

Morning Has Broken
ELW #556



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black - bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune
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**Apostolic
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.**

**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. Amen

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Genesis 28:10-22
God's
graciousness to
Jacob is shown in
God's revelation
of the divine self
to the patriarch,
who is running for
his life after
cheating his
brother Esau out
of the family
inheritance. Jacob
promises that if
God brings him
back to the land,
he will be loyal to
God and give God
a tenth of
everything



We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Arranged by Horace Clarence Boyer

*We are climbing Jacob's ladder, Soldiers of the cross
Ev'ry round goes higher, higher Soldiers of the cross*

Reading

¹⁰Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" ¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

¹⁸So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ^{19a}He called that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first. Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the Lord shall be my God, and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house; and of all that you give me I will surely give one-tenth to you."

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Sinner do you love your, Soldiers of the cross.
If you love Him why not serve Him, Soldiers of the cross.*

Gospel Verse

Refrain



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Text: Psalm 119:105. Amy Grant, b. 1960

Music: THY WORD. Michael W. Smith, b. 1957

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Matthew 14:13-21

After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.

Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Nearer My God, to Thee

Gen. 28:10-19
Sarah F. Adams, 1841 (1805-1848)

BETHANY 6.4.6.4.6.6.6.4.
Lowell Mason, 1856 (1792-1872)

1. Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee! E'en though it
 2. Though like a wan - der - er, Day - light all gone, Dark - ness be
 3. There let the way ap - pear, Steps up to heaven; All that Thou
 4. Then, with my wak - ing thoughts Bright with Thy praise, Out of my
 5. Or if, on joy - ful wing Cleav - ing the sky, Sun, moon, and

be a cross That rais-eth me! Still all my song shall be, Near - er, my
 o - ver me, My rest a stone; Yet in my dreams I'd be Near - er, my
 send - est me, In mer - cy given; An - gels to beck - on me Near - er, my
 ston - y griefs Beth - el I'll raise; So by my woes to be Near - er, my
 stars for - got, Up - ward I fly, Still all my song shall be, Near - er, my

God, to Thee, Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.



Anthem

✠ Offering ✠

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Simple Gifts

Shaker Tune arranged by Mark Schweizer
After Johann Pachelbel's Canon

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free
 'Tis a gift to come down where we ought to be
 And when we find ourselves in a place just right
 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

'Tis a gift to be loving, 'tis a gift to be kind,
 'tis a gift to leave our bitterness behind,

*And when we find ourselves in a place just right
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.*

*When true simplicity is gained
to bow and to bend, we shan't be ashamed
to turn, turn, will be our delight,
'till by turning, turning, we come round right.*

*'Tis a gift to be thankful, 'tis a gift to forgive,
'Tis a gift to find out how we ought to live,
And when we find ourselves in a place just right
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.*

Offertory

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Text: Henry Smith
Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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A: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **Amen.**

Prayers of the Church

P: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: You take resources that appear to be meager, bless them, and there is enough. May your church... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

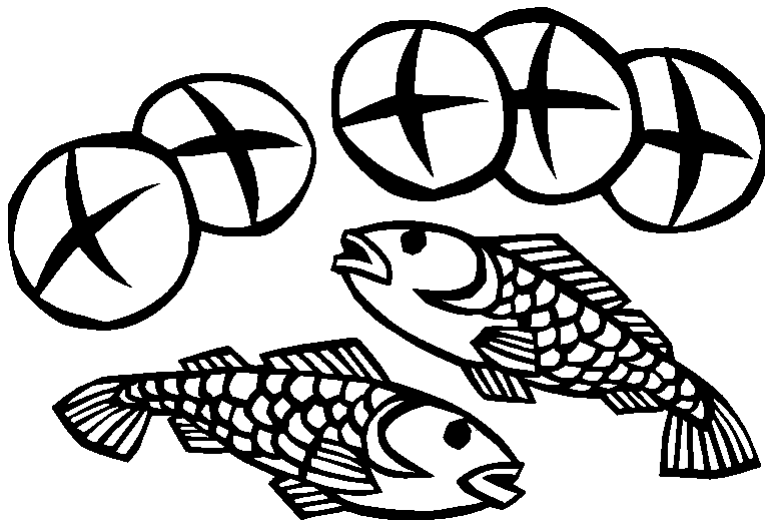
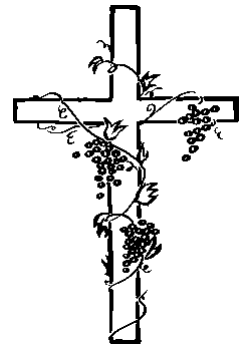
Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

✠ *SENDING* ✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

Offertory Prayer



Let All Things Now Living
ELW #881

Sending Hymn



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the fore - es: the stars in their cours-es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days,
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune
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Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
C: **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

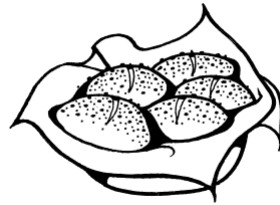
P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Violin Sonata in D Op. 9, N° 3, Allegro

Jean-Marie Leclair (1697-1764)

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing: **the family of Jack Reno**, father of Andrea Christy; **Jim Jodie**, cousin of Carolyn Hagford; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne and Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of Nancy McCutcheon; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe; **the family of Hazel Thomas**, a friend of Mark Duff and Michelle McCreery.

Eric Amann 8.3
Alexis Jacoby 8.7

Gina Haug 8.7

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



FIRST STEPS

TO RETURNING TO WORSHIP

This coming Thursday, August 6th, we will begin opening the weekly worship recording session to 40 people. You must register ahead of time and follow the Protocol for in-Person Worship. The recording session will be 1 hour long and begins at 7:00. You may contact the Church on Monday morning to register.

For those who do not feel comfortable worshipping on Thursday evenings, but would like to participate in Holy Communion, we will prepare Home Communion packets that may be picked up at the church on

Thursday and Friday each week. The packet will include a glass communion cup, the worship bulletin, as well as a vial of consecrated communion wine and bread. This may be reserved through the church office for your family and may be delivered to those who are homebound.

We know that these times can be stressful, and we want to remind you that the church sanctuary is open and available for quiet time and spiritual reflection during the week. Please call the church to make an appointment if you would like to come and spend time in the sanctuary for prayer, meditation, or to light a candle in the light globe. A guided meditation folder will be available upon request.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Haug will lead a virtual Bible study by Zoom for the regular 10:00 am Wednesday morning Bible study group. If you would like to participate, please contact [Pastor Haug](#). He will send you a link and invitation to the group meeting.

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR

If you are interested in participating in a virtual coffee hour on Sunday, please contact [Michelle McCreery](#).

God's Help, Our Hands

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M-T 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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