



Sundays after Pentecost

Summer 2021

**Service of the Word and
Holy Communion**

9:30 am

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

*A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
(ELCA)*



**God calls us to become –
Connected to Christ, Connected to Each Other, and
Connected to Community**

Welcome to worship.

We are taking extra precautions and therefore we ask that you wear your face mask and maintain safe social distancing.

Please let an usher know if you prefer to exit from communion via the narthex instead of the side door for ease of mobility.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion.
Lutherans believe that Christ is present in, with and under the bread and wine of the sacrament.
This real presence is a mystery and a gift.

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Church Office Hours:
Tuesday & Thursday 10 am – 2 pm

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GATHERING

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

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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.

***GREETING**

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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day which may be found on
the front of the Celebrate insert. The assembly is seated.*

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

The reading may be concluded:

Word of God, word of life.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

SECOND READING

The reading may be concluded:

Word of God, word of life.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL**

The gospel is announced. The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel concludes: The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

***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.**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

The prayers are printed on the back page of the weekly Celebrate insert. Individuals are invited to pray a petition aloud, as so moved.

***PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Offerings may be placed in the basket at church, sent electronically or by mail.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious and merciful God,
you bring forth food from the earth
and nourish your whole creation.
Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any
way, that all may know your care,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

***DIALOGUE**

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.

***PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you,
almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection,
and ascension, we await his coming in glory.
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly
food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***BLESSING**

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us,
and journeys with us,
✚ be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION & DISMISSAL**

Nourished in this meal, Jesus the Bread of life
strengthens us to love the world.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God

Please be seated.

An usher will invite you forward by household.

COMMUNION

Please depart building through the side door.

*Please let an usher know if you prefer to exit through the narthex
for more steady footing.*

*Upon exiting the building, please keep the exit clear for those following.
There is ample space on the sidewalk, parking lot, and in the other
building to spread out and visit with one another.*

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