TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 5:00pm Saturday, July 31 and 9:00am Sunday, August 1, 2021

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE - We silence our voices and phones as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Please stand as you are able. **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

- P O God,
- C eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated. FIRST READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for the Lord has heard your complaining.'" ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

SECOND READING

Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

¹I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;

he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no

Ephesians 4:1-16

longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

GOSPEL

John 6:24-35

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set God's seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom God has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'God gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Robb Kosky

HYMN

Please stand as you are able. **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

P Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Each portion of the prayers concludes with these words:

- P Hear us O God,
- C your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude with these words:

- P We lift our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

PEACE

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

OFFERING PRAYER you may place your offering in the plate near the front of the sanctuary as you come forward to commune.

P Jesus, Bread of life,

C 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P 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

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n 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, hosanna in the highest.

- P 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.
- P 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.

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! *Please be seated*.

COMMUNION - come forward using the center aisle. Receive the wafer and the wine (red) or juice (white), eat and return to your seats using the side aisle. 100% gluten free wafers are available. This is the Lord's table and the Lord invites all to come and dine.

Please stand as you are able.

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Jesus, Bread of life,
- C 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.

BLESSING

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

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO LAKEVIEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us. We are part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the South Central Synod of Wisconsin-ELCA. We strive to be an open and hospitable place for all. You are invited to join us often for worship and other activities and ministries that may appeal to you. We believe that we celebrate communion at the Lord's Table and that the Lord invites all to share in the holy meal. Grape juice is provided. Gluten-free wafers are also provided. Children are welcome in worship and at communion. A gender inclusive restroom with changing table is located off the narthex. Additional restrooms are located on the lower level.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES before worship begins to prevent being a distraction to others. 4001 Mandrake Road Madison, WI 53704

608-244-6181 Office hours – M-Closed, T-H 8:00-4:00, F-Closed

Altar Guild: Janet Call Communion Assistant: John Dyar Reader: Kathy Sparks Usher: John Dyar Counters: Art Zogbaum and Carol Rohde

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mid-Year Giving Statements

Mid-year giving statements, along with a letter from Pastor Robb, were emailed and mailed out on Tuesday and Wednesday. If you receive announcements by email, you will have received that letter and statement via email, as well. Otherwise, look for it in your mailboxes

Bible Study

Bible study is meeting in person in the Fellowship Room, as well as on Zoom, at 10:30 on Wednesday mornings. We are studying the book of Romans. No preparation is necessary. Just come with an interested mind and a sense of goodwill and humor. Of course, treats are always welcome!

Food Pantry

The food pantry is requesting toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, ketchup, macaroni & cheese, and ranch salad dressing through July. For August and September the Food Pantry will be asking for school supplies for kids in K4 to high school.

The Pastoral Call Committees next step...

On the weekends of 7/18 and 7/24, the Pastoral Call Committee met with the congregation to start defining Lakeview's Core Values. Wednesday, August 4th, the committee will be organizing that information into a set of Values with definitions. On the weekend of August 7th and 8th, each congregant will have the opportunity to "vote" on what you think are the top 5 Core Values of Lakeview. More information of how you cast your vote will be forthcoming, but please save the date of August 7th or 8th so you can cast your votes after the church service.

Thank you and God Bless, The Lakeview Call Committee