LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

SIT COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG......"Lamb of God" (ELW p. 208)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN......Hymn #759 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

STAND PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The God of glory, + Jesus Christ, name above all names,

and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG......Hymn #805 "Lead On, O King Eternal" DISMISSAL

> We are God's People. Followers of Jesus Christ. Gifted by the Spirit. Go Pray. Go Love. Go Serve. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP LEADERS

INTERIM PASTOR: Pastor Kathy Brown SOUND/VIDEO: Art Kotenko ANNOUNCEMENT: Keith Richter, Council President TEMPLE TALK: Stephanie Raszkiewicz <u>SATURDAY</u> PIANO: Laurel Borter ASSISTING MINISTER: Tim Somers **READER:** Lisa Zanin COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Lisa & Mark Zanin USHERS: Bob VanBendegom, Dale Brandes, Sandy Benson HOSPITALITY: The VanBendegoms and/or The Zanins

<u>SUNDAY</u> **ORGAN:** Deb Black ASSISTING MINISTER: Patricia Mason **READER:** Julie Schmit ADULT CHOIR: Dr. Richard Sjoerdsma, Director; Deb Black, Accompanist COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Leslie & Dave Sandahl, **GREETER:** Hayley & Kris Jensen USHERS: Gary Rice, Ralph Tollas, Carole Scotese, Dave Raszkiewicz, Dan Neururer and/or Doug Derginer **HOSPITALITY:** Beloveds



- Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.
- Turn off phones or silence them.
- tell the usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat, and someone will bring it to you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

PRELUDE

STAND

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God.

the one who forms us, + Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete. Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Steadfast and faithful God.

you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path;

in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Beloved in Christ.

God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG......Hymn #731 "Earth and All Stars" 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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE......Hymn #881 "Let All Things Now Living" PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ. our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SIT WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-11

God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God's warnings to the people. Remarkably, God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary. Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

St. Mary's Lutheran Church Evangelical Lutheran Church in America www.stmaryslutheran.org Saturday, Sept. 9 at 5:00pm & Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:00am All are welcome at St. Mary's!



Please know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! This is Christ's table and His invitation. You do not need to be a Lutheran, or a member of our church to participate. Also, if you wish to come up for only a blessing, please tell us when you approach, and we will bless you! If you are unable to come up for communion,

Pew Bible Page

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Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

The obligation of Christians is to love one another and so fulfill the heart and goal of the law. Clothes make the person as we "put on the Lord Jesus Christ" and live today in light of the future God has in store for us. Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20

(pgs. 799-800)

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus offers practical advice to his disciples on how individuals—and the church as a whole—should go about restoring relationships when one member has sinned against another.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SIT

SERMON

STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY......Hymn #603 "God, When Human Bonds are Broken" **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

Merciful God.

receive our praver.

Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PEACE

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, Peace be with you or similar words. You may consider a gesture without physical touch, perhaps a slight bow, or crossing arms over the chest, as a symbol of an embrace.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

SIT **ADULT CHOIR**

By day, by night, at home, abroad, Still are we guarded by our God: By His incessant bounty fed, By His unerring counsel led.

With grateful hearts the past we own; The future, all to us unknown; We to Thy guardian care commit, And peaceful leave before Thy feet.

In scenes exalted or depressed, Thou art our joy, and Thou our rest; Thy goodness all our hopes shall raise, Adored through all our changing days

STAND

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

ACCLAMATION AND AMEN.....""Holy, Holy, Holy" (ELW p. 207) 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... 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.

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"Hymn for a New Day" - arr. ROBERT SWIFT Great God, we sing that mighty band By which supported still we stand; On this new day Thy mercy shows; That mercy crowns it till it close.

OFFERING......Hymn #884 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"