# **LUTHERAN CHAPEL**



# DANIEL 3:1-29 AND JOHN 6:35, 41-51 "THE BODY OF JESUS CHRIST"

Jesus gives His body, the bread, for us. This gift is a foretaste of the feast to come.

> ANTECOMMUNION AUGUST 11, 2024

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# LUTHERAN CHAPEL AUGUST 11, 2024 SERVICE OF ANTECOMMUNION 12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**BOLD** indicates congregational responses.

\* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

#### **GATHER**

#### WELCOME

PRELUDE "Andante" W. G. Alcock

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

#### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

- 1. You shall have no other gods.
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.
- 4. Honor your father and mother.
- 5. You shall not murder.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

## \*THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

2 Corinthians 13:13

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.

\*THE KYRIE Mark 10:47

Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy. Christe eleison: Christ, have mercy. Kyrie eleison: Lord, have mercy.

# \*GLORY TO GOD

Luke 2:14, John 1:29

Refrain:

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

# Verse 1:

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain* 

# Verse 2:

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. Refrain

# Verse 3:

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

\*\*Refrain\*\*

# \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

C: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **WORD**

# MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE

All who want to come forward for the Message are welcome to do so.

## STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

<sup>1</sup>King Nebuchadnezzar made a golden statue whose height was sixty cubits and whose width was six cubits; he set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon. <sup>2</sup>Then King Nebuchadnezzar sent for the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to assemble and come to the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. <sup>3</sup>So the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the justices, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, assembled for the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. When they were standing before the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had set up, <sup>4</sup>the herald proclaimed aloud, "You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, <sup>5</sup>that when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, you are to fall down and worship the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up. <sup>6</sup>Whoever does not fall down and worship shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire." <sup>7</sup>Therefore, as soon as all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

<sup>8</sup>Accordingly, at this time certain Chaldeans came forward and denounced the Jews. <sup>9</sup>They said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live forever! <sup>10</sup>You, O king, have made a decree, that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble, shall fall down and worship the golden statue, <sup>11</sup>and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire. <sup>12</sup>There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These pay no heed to you, O king. They do not serve your gods and they do not worship the golden statue that you have set up."

<sup>13</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought in; so they brought those men before the king. <sup>14</sup>Nebuchadnezzar said to them, "Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods and you do not worship the golden statue that I have set up? <sup>15</sup>Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, drum, and entire musical ensemble to fall down and worship the statue that I have made, well and good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire, and who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?"

<sup>16</sup>Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to present a defense to you in this matter. <sup>17</sup>If our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire and out of your hand, O king, let him deliver us. <sup>18</sup>But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods and we will not worship the golden statue that you have set up."

<sup>19</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar was so filled with rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face was distorted. He ordered the furnace heated up seven times more than was customary, <sup>20</sup>and ordered some of the strongest guards in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and to throw them into the furnace of blazing fire. <sup>21</sup>So the men were bound, still wearing their tunics, their trousers, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into

the furnace of blazing fire. <sup>22</sup>Because the king's command was urgent and the furnace was so overheated, the raging flames killed the men who lifted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. <sup>23</sup>But the three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down, bound, into the furnace of blazing fire.

<sup>24</sup>Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up quickly. He said to his counselors, "Was it not three men that we threw bound into the fire?" They answered the king, "True, O king." <sup>25</sup>He replied, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the middle of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the fourth has the appearance of a god." <sup>26</sup>Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and said, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. <sup>27</sup>And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men; the hair of their heads was not singed, their tunics were not harmed, and not even the smell of fire came from them. <sup>28</sup>Nebuchadnezzar said, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants who trusted in him. They disobeyed the king's command and yielded up their bodies rather than serve and worship any god except their own God. <sup>29</sup>Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that utters blasphemy against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins; for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson from Genesis to Revelation. <u>The + marks where we are now.</u> Memory verse is in bold.

Creation: Fall: Promise: Exodus: Conquest: Judges: + Kings and Prophets: + **Exile**: Restoration: 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple: JESUS: Apostles: Last Day: New Creation

## **PSALM 34:1-8**



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- <sup>1</sup> I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
- <sup>2</sup> I will glory in the LORD;

let the lowly hear and rejoice.

- <sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.
- <sup>4</sup> I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

# Refrain

- <sup>5</sup> Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
- <sup>6</sup> I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
- <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

# Refrain

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

**EPHESIANS 4:25—5:2** (pg. 1336)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

# \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:68

Alleluia. Lord to who shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

\*GOSPEL JOHN 6:35, 41-51

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:



<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

<sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



**MESSAGE** 

"The Body of Jesus Christ"

Journey of the Prophet Daniel

Lamentation vs. Complaining

**The Law** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: When have I had contempt for the gift of Holy Communion?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Jesus, the Bread of Life, is given for us. The finite is capable of the Infinite Taste and see the LORD is good.

**So What?** Pray to the Holy Spirit to grow the virtues in your awareness and person. Contemplate the gift of Divine Presence.



2. Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in maj - es - ty, we will bow be fore his throne; we will 3. He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth, he is Lord of all who live; he is

4. Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of kings, hal - le - lu - jah to the Lamb; hal - le -



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#### \*THE APOSTLES' CREED

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and
sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life + everlasting. Amen.

# \*THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Philippians 4:7

P: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

MUSICAL OFFERING

Offered by Crown Hoffman arr Lani Smith

"Where'er You Walk"

\*OFFERTORY

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Psalm 51:10-12

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

# \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

(In Unison)

C: Blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers**.

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

# \*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew* 6:9-13

AM: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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;

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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.

#### SENDING

#### \*BENEDICTION



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# \*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Fantasia"

Giovanni Gabrieli

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**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Pat Lindler in loving memory of Gary.

# THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant	Kim Rundzieher
Filling In For Director of Music	Kathie Riebe
Choir Accompanist	Anna Gilreath
Assistant Minister	Adam DeLuca
Lector	Beth Swindler
Acolyte	Bryson Lineberger
Crucifer	Jordan Hoffman
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR	Debra Hoffman
Council Members of the Month	Jenny Williamson and Gene Weaver

# **PARISH NEWS**

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** If your family is in need of a **nursery** attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our attendants. **Restrooms** are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

**TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS ONLINE: This QR** code goes straight to the "Easy Tithe" page on the website that accepts tithes and offerings electronically.



OWLS: Our next OWL-standing time of fellowship will be held at Bellacino's on Thursday, August 15 at 11am.

**CLOTHES CLOSET IN NEED:** The clothes closet is in desperate need for Men's summer clothing—shorts, t-shirts, short sleeved shirts, etc. Any amount of donation will help. One t-shirt you haven't worn in a year? Perfect! Two pairs of shorts that are now too big or too small? Fantastic! As always, any donation is greatly appreciated and will go towards helping the community around our church.

**NEWSLETTER:** Articles for the September newsletter are due by Monday, August 19.

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY:** The *Outreach Committee* will be hosting an indoor/outdoor Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday**, **August 24** from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.



# **DAILY PRAYER**

**A HOME ALTAR ALTERS THE HOME!:** Each morning and evening, pray to the LORD. Sunrise, sunset and at meals are times for daily prayer (*Psalm 1*).

# THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 33 August 11 to August 18, 2024

- **08/11** Morning Reading: Romans 11:19-36—Evening Reading: Psalms 81, 82, 83
- 08/12 Morning Reading: Romans 12—Evening Reading: Psalms 84, 85, 86
- **08/13** Morning Reading: Romans 13—Evening Reading: Psalms 87, 88
- **08/14** Morning Reading: Romans 14—Evening Reading: Psalms 89, 90
- 08/15 Morning Reading: Romans 15:1-13—Evening Reading: Psalms 91, 92, 93
- 08/16 Morning Reading: Romans 15:14-33—Evening Reading: Psalms 94, 95, 96
- 08/17 Morning Reading: Romans 16—Evening Reading: Psalms 97, 98, 99
- 08/18 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 1—Evening Reading: Psalms 100, 101, 102

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.



**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Wanda Anthony**, Braylon Beam, Steve Bell, Faye Anne Boyette, Pauline Bradley, Shirley Bradley, Buddy Carothers, Miles Carpenter, **family of Hanna Hayes DeLuca**, Renee Dockery, Kathy Finch, Baker Hampton, Ashton Knauf, Doug Rhyne, Eula Ritchie, Kay Robinson, Pat Robinson, Barbara Robinson, Joe Veale, Gene & Myra Weaver, **Leigh Woody**, and Claudia Zibell.

**FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP:** John Austin, Rick Belton, Kathy Bradley, Deborah Carpenter, Jeff Cobb, Doris Coggins, Mary Collins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Rita Pasour, Josie Putnam, Joye Rankin, Randy Reel, Morgan Rosser, Dorothy Slessman, Christy Carpenter Smith, Charlene Sorenson, Becky Van Dyke, **Phyllis Wellman**, and Anthony Wynn.

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

# **NEXT WEEK'S LESSONS**

Wednesday, August 14 ~ Evening Prayer Service

Psalm 35 "On Spiritual Warfare"

Thursday, August 15 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

Daniel 3:1-29 "Deliverance from the Fiery Furnace"

Sunday, August 18 ~ Holy Communion

Nehemiah 8:1-10 & John 6:51-58 "The New Testament in My Blood for the Forgiveness of Sins"

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 - SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2024

Sun-11	8:30 am	Fellowship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:00 pm	Private Event (Family Life Center/Kitchen)
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
Tues-13	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday
Wed-14	7:00 pm	Evening Service (Chapel)
Thur-15	10:00 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:00 am	OWLS @ Bellacino's
	6:00 pm	Preschool Open House
Sat-17	9:30 am	Hungry Peeps Support Group (Fellowship Hall)