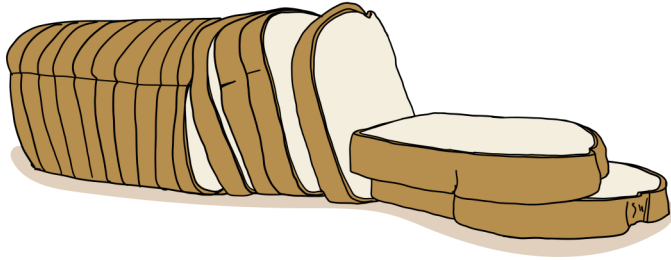


August 11, 2024
12th Sunday after Pentecost



I AM THE
BREAD
OF LIFE

Prepare for Worship

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Thank you, loving Lord, for cleansing me of my sins and adopting me into your family through the miracle of Holy Baptism. As I worship today, help me remember what my baptism means to me. Lead me to feel genuine sorrow for my sins and empower me to put down the sinful nature that still lives in me. Lift me up as I hear your promise of forgiveness and give me strength to live a life pleasing to you.
Amen.

528 Christ, the Word of God Incarnate

CW 528



1 Christ, the Word of God in - car - nate, Lord and Son of
2 Christ, the liv - ing bread from heav - en, food for bod - y,
3 Christ, the shoot that springs tri - um - phant from the stump of
4 Christ, our good and faith - ful shep - herd, watch - ing all your



A - bra - ham; Christ, the ra - diance of the Fa - ther,
food for soul; Christ, the man - na, dai - ly giv - en,
Jes - se's tree; Christ, true vine, you nur - ture branch - es,
lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheep - fold,



per - fect God, the great I AM; Christ, the light, you
nour - ish, strength - en, make us whole. Feed us with the
to bear fruit a - bun - dant - ly. Graft us in - to
nev - er - fail - ing vig - il keep. When we stray, Good



shine un - van - quished, light and life you bring to all; light our
food of heav - en, fore - taste of the feast to be; quench our
you, O Sav - ior; prune our hearts so we re - main fruit - ful
Shep - herd, seek us, find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of



path with your own pres - ence, grant us grace to heed your call.
thirst with liv - ing wa - ter spring - ing up e - ter - nal - ly.
branch - es in your vine - yard till e - ter - nal life we gain.
God, our shep - herd, keep us; let us hear your voice a - lone.

- 5 Christ, the way that leads unfailling
to the Father's home on high;
Christ, the truth that frees the captive,
Christ, the life that cannot die;
mediator to the Father,
sacrifice and great High Priest:
lead us to your heav'nly mansions,
there to share your wedding feast.
- 6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,
Christ, the firstborn from the dead;
Christ, the life and resurrection,
Christ, the Church's glorious head:
praise and thanks and adoration
and unending worship be
to the Father and the Spirit
and to you eternally.

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Stand

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Absolution

CW 154

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



A - men.

Glory Be to God on High

CW 157

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lower staff is in bass clef with a key signature of one flat. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,

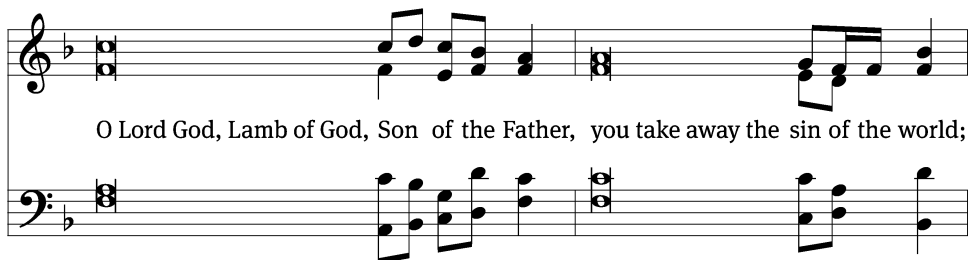
The second system of music continues the melody. It features similar rhythmic patterns and chord structures as the first system. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,

The third system of music continues the melody. It features similar rhythmic patterns and chord structures as the first system. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

The fourth system of music concludes the piece. It features similar rhythmic patterns and chord structures as the first system. The lyrics are centered under the notes.



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



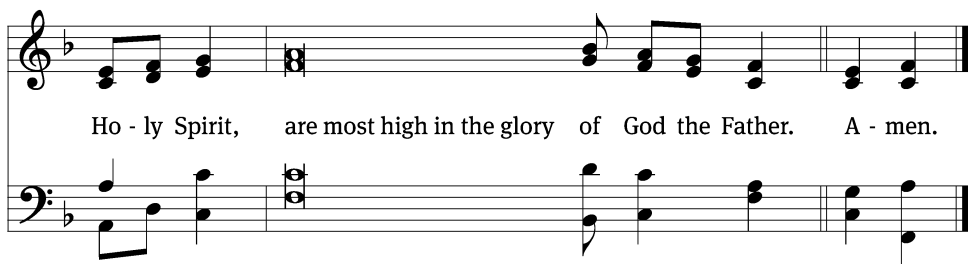
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

The Word

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Gracious Father, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Proverbs 9:1–6

¹Wisdom has built her house. She has carved out her seven pillars.

²She has prepared her meat. She has mixed her wine. She has already set her table.

³She has sent out her servant girls. She calls from the highest point in the city,

⁴“Whoever is naïve, let him turn in here.” To someone who lacks sense she says,

⁵“Come, eat my food, and drink the wine that I have mixed.

⁶Abandon your naïve ways and live. Travel the road to understanding.”

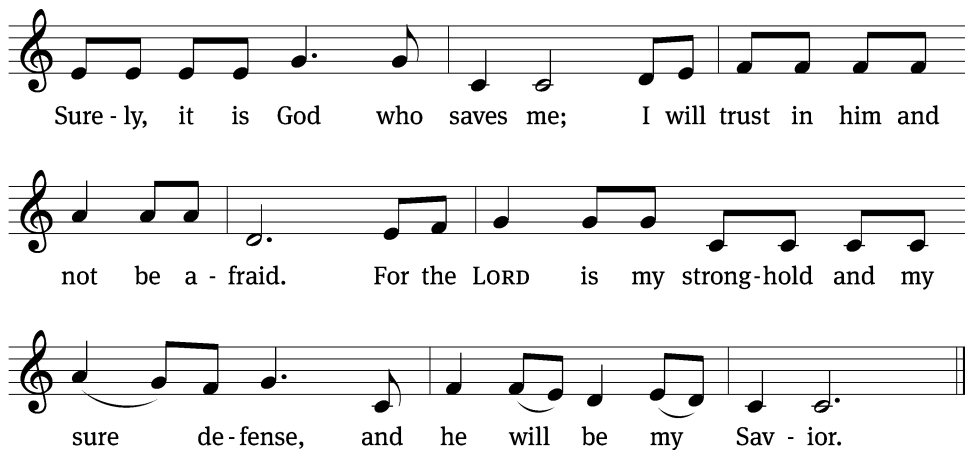
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

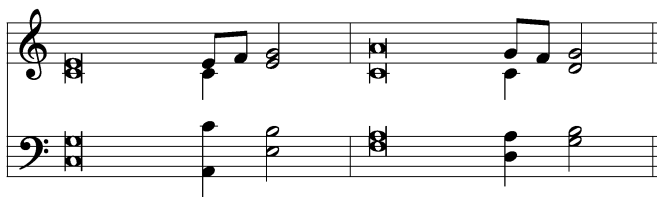
Psalm 31E

Refrain



Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and
not be a - fraid. For the LORD is my strong-hold and my
sure de - fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

Tone



In you, LORD, I have taken / refuge;
let me never be / put to shame.
Be my rock of / refuge,
a strong fortress to / save me.
Into your hands I commit my / spirit;
deliver me, LORD, my / faithful God. *Refrain*

My times are / in your hands;
save me in your un- / failing love.
How abundant are the / good things
that you have stored up for those who / fear you.
Be strong and / take heart,
all you who hope / in the LORD.
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,**
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:6–16

⁶Yet we do speak wisdom among those who are mature, but it is not a wisdom of this world or of the rulers of this world, who are being reduced to nothing. ⁷Instead we speak God's wisdom that has been hidden in mystery—before the ages, God foreordained that this wisdom would result in our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this world knew it. (If they had known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.) ⁹But as it is written:

What no eye has seen and no ear has heard
and no human mind has conceived—
that is what God has prepared for those who love him.

¹⁰But God revealed it to us through his Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God. ¹¹Indeed, who among men knows a man's thoughts except the man's spirit within him? So also, no one else knows God's thoughts except God's Spirit.

¹²What we received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we might know the blessings freely given to us by God. ¹³We also speak about these things, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in words taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual truths with spiritual words. ¹⁴However, an unspiritual person does not accept the truths taught by God's Spirit, because they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually evaluated. ¹⁵But the spiritual person evaluates all things, and he himself is evaluated by no one. ¹⁶Indeed, "Who has known the mind of the Lord? Who will instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

CW 161



Refrain



Tone



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Gospel

John 6:35–51

³⁵“I am the Bread of Life,” Jesus told them. “The one who comes to me will never be hungry, and the one who believes in me will never be thirsty. ³⁶But I said to you that you have also seen me, and you do not believe. ³⁷Everyone the Father gives me will come to me, and the one who comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me: that I should lose none of those he has given me, but raise them up on the Last Day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father: that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life. And I will raise him up on the Last Day.”

⁴¹So the Jews started grumbling about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? So how can he say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”

⁴³Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the Last Day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. ⁴⁶I am not saying that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He is the one who has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me has eternal life.

⁴⁸“I am the Bread of Life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that anyone may eat it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, he will live forever. The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

633 Speak, O Lord

CW 633



1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food
 2 Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence,
 3 Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds, help us grasp the heights



of your ho - ly Word; take your truth, plant it
 true hu - mil - i - ty; test our thoughts and our
 of your plans for us, truths un - changed from the



deep in us, shape and fash - ion us in your like - ness,
 at - ti - tudes in the ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty,
 dawn of time, that will ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty.



that the light of Christ might be seen to - day in our acts of
 Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see your ma - jes - tic
 And by grace we'll stand on your prom - is - es, and by faith we'll



love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and ful -
 love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r that can
 walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your



fill in us all your pur - pos - es for your glo - ry.
 nev - er fail, let their truth pre - vail o - ver un - be - lief.
 Church is built, and the earth is filled with your glo - ry.

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Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there 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.**

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition]. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [especially . . . here name the person]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.
Amen.

Be seated

Good News for Kids

Offering

581 Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose You

CW 581



1 Lord, 'tis not that I did choose you; that, I know, could
2 It was grace in Christ that called me, taught my dark - ened
3 Praise the God of all cre - a - tion, praise the Fa - ther's



nev - er be, for this heart would still re - fuse you
heart and mind; else the world had yet en - thralled me,
bound - less love. Praise the Lamb, our ex - pi - a - tion,



had your grace not cho - sen me. You re - moved the
to your heav'n - ly glo - ries blind. Now I wor - ship
Priest and King en - throned a - bove. Praise the Spir - it



sin that stained me, cleans - ing me to be your own; for this
none a - bove you; for your grace a - lone I thirst, know - ing
of sal - va - tion, him by whom our spir - its live. Un - di -



pur - pose you or - dained me, that I live for you a - lone.
well that, if I love you, you, O Fa - ther, loved me first.
vid - ed ad - o - ra - tion to the great Je - ho - vah give.

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Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

642 O Word of God Incarnate

CW 642



- 1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
- 2 The Church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine,
- 3 O make your Church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky,
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old.



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
O teach your wan - d'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

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In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list: Ukraine Ray & Gloria Overson, Sherry Just and Randy Michael- shut-ins Pat Oswald, Makenzie Phippen,- health Nichelle Hoey and Nura Jenka - expecting Kale Weis & Payton Yilek, Lucas Gilman & Karri Pippett, Zach Chicoine & Alexandria Lueck, Daniel Pfeifer & Paige Harmon, Isaiah Luellen & Andie Schlabach - engaged couples

Thank You to Today's Helpers

Accompanist 8 am: Kris Olson
Altar Guild: Denise Menzel & Joyce Russell
Counters: Steve Winecke & Karl Kuhrt
Mowing 8/18-8/24: Jay Pender
Streaming: Peter Nolte
Ushers 8 am: Paul Menzel & Peter Nolte
Ushers 10:30: TBA

Next Sunday's Servants

Accompanist: TBA
Altar Guild: Denise Menzel & Joyce Russell
Counters: Leon Burger & Cassandra Canny
Mowing 8/18-8/24: Jay Pender
Streaming: Peter Nolte
Ushers 8 am: Paul Menzel & Peter Nolte
Ushers 10:30: TBA

Open Forum

Join today at 9:15 am to discuss issues that are important to Lincoln Heights.

Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the readings for this week on Monday through Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday through Saturday. The Word for next Sunday:

Proverbs 9:1-6

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

John 6:35-51

Wednesday Evening Christian Education

Resumes on August 28th

Catechism & Bible History

5:30-6:30 pm

Catechism is for 7th-8th grade students and focuses on the basic doctrines of the Bible using the Small Catechism. Bible History is for 5th-6th grade students and goes through 58 of the most important stories of the Bible.

Evening Prayer Service

6:30-6:45 pm

All are invited for this time of song, prayer and Scripture. We will walk through Isaiah together this year closing each night with your choice of evening hymns.

Bible Class—Revelation

6:45-7:30 pm

God “reveals” his wonderful plan to bring us through this life into the eternal life.

Children’s Handbells

6:45-7:30 pm

5th-12th grade students are invited to join this handbell choir. Students will learn the proper techniques to play the real handbells and play for services when ready.

Can You Help?

Volunteers are needed to help transfer the food Hy-Vee gives us to deliver it to a shelter, food pantry, schools on the southside and to our own church. We do it seven days a week usually from 9:45-10:30 am. This food allows our church to deliver meals to the homeless on Sunday mornings and stock our freezers if food is needed for anyone. If you’re interested in helping on a weekly basis or be on call as a back up, talk to Paul Menzel. You’ll usually find him preparing meals in the church basement between 9-9:30 am on Sundays.

Online Giving

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Our Mission is to nurture each other in God's Word and spread the Good News of Christ to all.

THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS
August 18-25, 2024

Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	10:30 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Kunama Worship
Tuesday	10:00 am	Pastors' Study Club
Thursday	10:00 am	Women's Fellowship Group
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship with Communion
	9:00 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:15 am	LES Committee Meeting
	10:30 am	Worship with Communion
	10:30 am	Kunama Worship
	3:00 pm	Sunday School Staff Meeting

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