

+ Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 11, 2024



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+ Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost **Order for Worship**

Jesus tells the crowds that follow him that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and that whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. The Ephesians reading describes this life Jesus gives, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in Baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. We are called to follow the example of Christ in giving ourselves for the other.

Welcome to St. Andrew!

- St. Andrew Lutheran congregation welcomes all who are seeking a place of healing and wholeness – a nurturing, faith-forming spiritual home. Our community embraces people of all ages, ethnicities, cultures, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, and family constellations. Come and See!
- Worship Services are live-streamed to multiple online platforms. By attending worship, you agree that your image and voice may be broadcast.
- Everyone is invited to make a name tag at the black bookcase in the back of the worship space if they would like. There are stickers indicating pronouns on the bookcase if you would like to include them on your name tag.
- A nursery is available through the doors at the left side of the sanctuary and across from the doorway to the Social Hall. Look for a purple-colored room.
- Worship "toolkits" to help children engage with the service, along with "busy bags" for younger children, are available in the bookcase at the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to take one to use with/for your children.
- Holy Communion is served with bread (gluten-free available) and wine or grape juice. The presiding minister will distribute the bread (host). Please consume this and then pick up an empty glass from the tray. The Communion Assistant will pour wine or grape juice into your glass. Please step to the side to consume the wine or grape juice. Feel free to kneel at the altar for prayer and reflection. As you return to your pew, glasses may be returned to the empty trays on either side of the center section.
- A restroom is available on the main level of the church, through the doors to the Social Hall and to the right in the main office.

Abbreviations

P: Pastor/Presiding Minister A: Assisting Minister

L: Lector

C: Congregation

ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal ACS: All Creation Sings hymnal

WOV: With One Voice hymnal

Pre-Service Music

Welcome

Prelude

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

arr. J. Carter

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Confession and Forgiveness

Please rise as you are able.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at Baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Have mercy,

C: O God, for we have sinned against you and our neighbors, by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. In your compassion, cleanse us of our sin and take away our guilt, Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit, and restore your joy within us. Amen.

P: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of + Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins.

The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.

C: Amen.



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt. Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856

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: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Let us pray.

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. **C: Amen.**

Please be seated.

Word

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song

First Reading – 1 Kings 19: 4-8

⁴ [Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.



The congregation is invited to join in singing the following hymn the spirit of today's psalm.



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Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.
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Second Reading – Ephesians 4: 25 – 5: 2

²⁵ So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶ Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸ Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹ Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹ Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³² and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1} Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

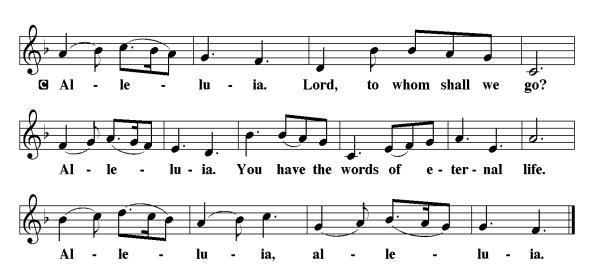
L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please rise as you are able and join in speaking the Gospel Acclamation.

Gospel Acclamation

WOV p. 31



Gospel – John 6: 35, 41-51

P: The holy Gospel according to St. John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵ 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."

⁴¹ Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² 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'?"

⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴ 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. ⁴⁵ 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. ⁴⁶ Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ 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. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Sermon

A time of silence for prayer and reflection follows the sermon.



When the hymn of the day begins, please rise as you are able.



Prayers of the People

A: Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of God's creation.

After each petition

A: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers

P: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

Peace

The presiding minister and the assembly greet one another in the peace of the risen Christ.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The people may greet those around them with a sign of Christ's peace and may say
Peace be with you or similar words. Please be mindful that not everyone will be comfortable
with sharing the peace, so please seek consent before shaking hands or hugging. Other possible
ways to share the peace include a simple bow with the verbal greeting of peace, or simply a
verbal expression of peace.

When the greetings of peace have concluded, please be seated.



Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering

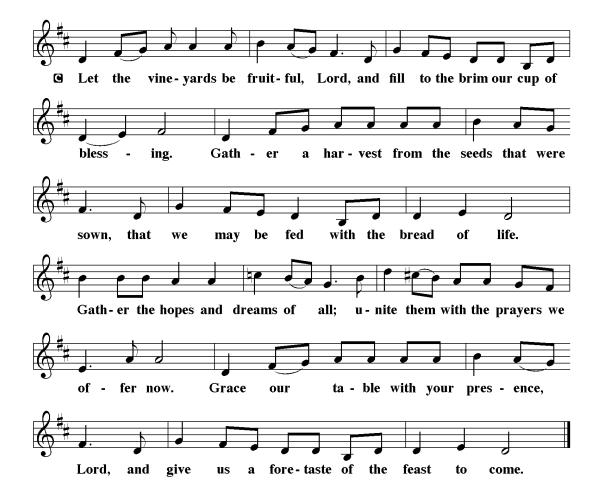
We offer ourselves, our gifts, and our faithful service to God.

As the offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need, the table is set for Holy Communion.

T. Beaney

As the gifts are brought forward for presentation, please rise as you are able.

Offertory Song WOV p. 35



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Offertory Prayer

A: Let us pray.

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.

Dialogue

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.

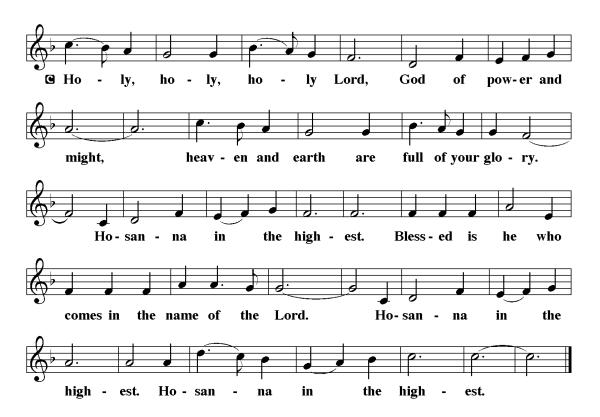
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ...

... we praise your name and join in adoring song:

Sanctus WOV p. 36



Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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

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.

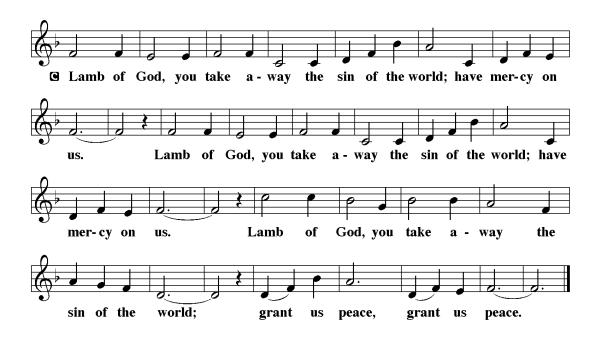
Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.

Fraction and Invitation

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

P: These are the gifts of God for the beloved of God. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.





Please be seated.

Holy Communion

- All who seek God and desire a deeper and stronger life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
- Worshipers from the pulpit side will proceed forward first, followed by the center section, and then the lectern side.
- Please inform an usher if you would like the ministers to bring Communion to you.
- Holy Communion will be served with bread and wine/grape juice.
- The presiding minister will first distribute the bread (host) to each communicant. Please indicate if you require a gluten-free host.
- Once you have consumed the bread, please pick up an empty glass from the tray next to the presiding minister. The Communion Assistant will pour wine from the chalice or grape juice from the cruet into your glass.
- Please step to the side to consume the wine or grape juice.
- Feel free to kneel at the altar rail for prayer after receiving the sacrament.
- As you return to your pew, glasses may be returned to the empty trays on either side of the center section.
- A blessing will be provided for anyone who does not yet receive the sacrament.
- All are invited to join in singing the hymns during Holy Communion.

Bread of Life from Heaven v. 1-3



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Hymns during Holy Communion

Here Would I Feast – Aquí del pan partido tomaré

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O Living Bread from Heaven

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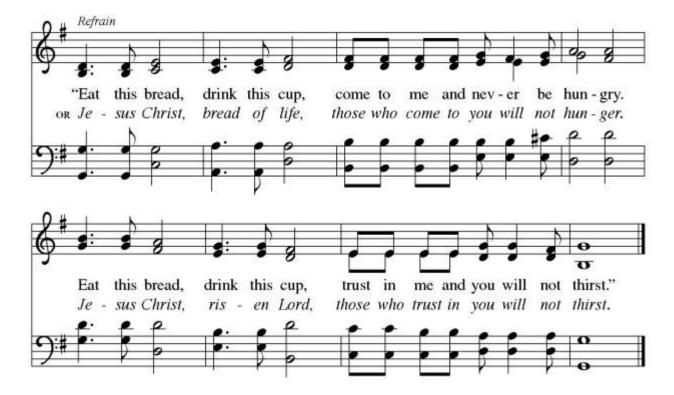


Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

Hymns during Holy Communion

Eat This Bread

ELW 472



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Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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When all have returned to their places, please rise as you are able.

Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Prayer

A: Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life,

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.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Announcements

Please rise as you are able.

Benediction

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and accompanies us,

+ be upon you, now and forever.

C: Amen.

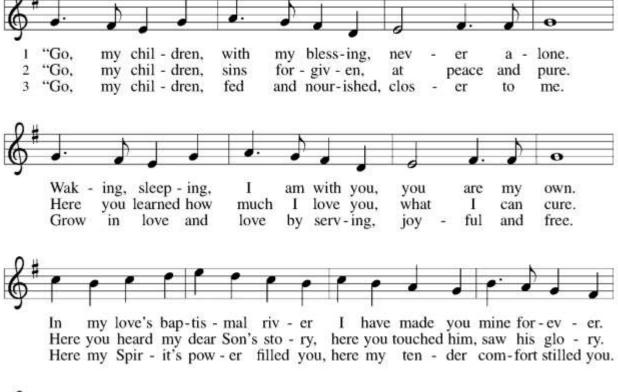
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Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Down to the River to Pray arr. M. Hayes





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St. Andrew Lutheran Church Announcements August 11th, 2024

- Welcome to Worship at St. Andrew on the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, August 11th, 2024 We are so glad you are here, and we offer a special welcome to all visitors and guests connecting for the first time! Worship attendees are invited to make a name tag at the back of the worship space if you would like. There are worship "toolkits" to help children engage with worship and "busy bags" for younger children available in the bookcase at the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to take one to use with/for your children. All are invited to gather for coffee other drinks and food, and conversation in the social hall after worship.
- August Dinner for Guests of East End Cooperative Ministry Thursday, August 15th, 6:30 p.m. Each month, people of St. Andrew provide dinner for guests of the shelter at East End Cooperative Ministry, 6140 Station St. (East Liberty), 15206.

- We invite you to prepare or purchase one menu item and bring it to the shelter by 6:00 p.m., or just come to help serve at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to contribute, please sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080544AAAC22A1F58-50393778-shelter.
- Celebrate Pastor Paul Koch and his 54th Anniversary of Ordination Sunday, August 18th The Rev. Dr. Paul F. Koch of St. Andrew is celebrating the 54th anniversary of his ordination to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament on August 9th. Because the milestone of his 50th anniversary came during the pandemic, we were not able to properly share our joy and blessings with him on the occasion. On Sunday, August 18th, Pastor Paul will preside at Holy Communion during worship, and we invite everyone to stay after the service that day for a special coffee hour with a cake to help him celebrate this anniversary! We give thanks to God for Pastor Paul and Sharon and the blessing that their ministry has been to the church and still is!
- Represent St. Andrew and ReconcilingWorks at Main Street Market Night in Munhall on Friday, August 23rd, 5:00-9:00 p.m. As a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation that intentionally welcomes and affirms LGBTQIA+ individuals and families, St. Andrew seeks to share our welcome, and that of other RIC congregations around the Pittsburgh area. St. Andrew will have another opportunity to do this on Friday, August 23rd, when Munhall is hosting another of its Main Street Market Nights. The event runs from 5:00 9:00 p.m., and we invite people of the congregation to represent St. Andrew at a table/booth for any portion of that event. Please see Kathy Hays or Pastor Ross if you would like to participate!
- Save the Date! Potluck Meal and Hymn Sing with Bethel AME Church Saturday, September 7th! St. Andrew's worship committee has been in conversation with Pastor Snyder and other leaders of Bethel AME, and we invite people of our congregations to gather informally on Saturday, September 7th, to share a potluck meal and sing hymns from our respective traditions together. An exact time is yet to be determined, but it will be in the late afternoon/early evening that day. Come share in a time of conversation and community and join with our siblings in Christ in praising God!
- Seeking Help with Upkeep of Church Grounds Part of our call to hospitality for our neighbors is offering a beautiful and inviting presence and space in the community. A few members of the congregation spend a great deal of time and energy maintaining the plants and garden areas around the church, and they are in need of additional help. We are seeking people to help with upkeep of the church grounds, especially in pulling weeds along the sidewalks and stairs, picking up garbage, and cleaning up leaves as needed. These tasks can be flexible according to one's schedule. Please speak with Pat (Evangelism) or Hal (Property) if you would like to contribute, or contact them at evangelism@standrewpittsburgh.org or property@standrewpittsburgh.org. Thank you, and thanks to Lester, Cynthia, Hal, Jimmi and Timothy for all they do for the outdoor spaces at the church!
- Coffee Hour Signups Available One way that St. Andrew builds community is by sharing conversation over food and drinks at coffee hour after worship on Sundays. We invite people of the congregation to sign up to coordinate coffee hour each week, which includes brewing the coffee; setting out cups, napkins, food items, and cold drinks; and cleaning up afterward. Everything needed is at St. Andrew and instructions are available. Please sign up to host coffee hour here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4AAFAF2CABF85-47069030-coffee.

• Christ in Our Home Devotional Booklets (July – September) Available at Church Entrances – Christ in Our Home is a booklet of devotions that includes Scripture, a brief reflection, and prayer for each day. The July – September is edition is available at the various church entrances. Please feel free to take one for yourself or others!