Welcome to St. Thomas Lutheran Church



Pentecost XI 10:00 a.m. August 8, 2021

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thank you** everyone for joining us this morning for our worship service. Please join us inside or you can listen to the service on your car radio at 96.9. If you miss the service you can always watch it on our Facebook page. If any problems happen doing the service please let Del or Rory know so they can fix the problem immediately. Thank you again!
- The Vigil Candle is given in celebration of Denise Nicely and Steve Manijak's birthdays.
- Steve will be watching from the door and will bring out bulletins and communion cups to those who stay in their cars. Those coming inside can pick up your bulletin and communion cup as you enter the sanctuary.
- **The Prayer book** is available on the stand by the bulletin stand. Seve can bring it to the cars.
- The Lay Reader list is available for volunteers for the month of August. Still need volunteers. Please see the signup sheet in the Narthex or let Steve know you would like to sign up. Our lay reader today is Robin Hoffman.
- Ushers are Del inside and Steve outside.
- August Service Project...Summer is a hard time for the children of our community. With school out there is no free breakfast and lunches for them. Let us continue this service project through August and help them out by bringing food items to be donated to the Streetsboro Community Pantry. Monetary donations would be great too. A basket is set up in the narthex for your donations. Thank you!!
- Council had their meeting on July 18 and have decided to not make any changes at this time because of the uptick in the CoVid 19 new variants. Mask wearing is not required by is still an excellent idea. We will continue to monitor the situation and make adjustments as seem appropriate. Any suggestions please let Pastor or council members Steve Hlava, Jim Doerfler, Diane Lee, Deb Wolff, Marla Manijak, Joyce Torres or Del Groff know.
- The prayer list is getting a little long. I will not remove anyone unless I am told to. If there is anyone we can take off with good news, please let Marla know or put a card in the offering plate.
- The July-September Portal of Prayers are available now.
- Contact Person: Please call Pastor Just at 216-789-6688 or Council President Steve Hlava at 330 422-1959 for any emergencies or questions. Pastor Just is in the office on Thursdays.

• Attendance last Sunday 19 Adults 5 Children Towards Budget:

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Current Expense	1045.00	Loose	0.00
Building Fund	5.00	Total Offering	1095.00
Benevolence	15.00		
Mission	10.00		
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Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- P: "I am the Bread of Life," says Jesus Christ. "Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."
- C: Lord, give us this bread always.

A brief silence for individual prayer and reflection.

- P: Most merciful and gracious God,
- C: we confess our sins to You.
- P: Our sins of thought—
- C: We have doubted Your power and Your promise; we have plotted wickedly.
- P: Our sins of word—
- C: We have spoken in anger and in ways that are belittling; we have argued against Your good and gracious will.
- P: Our sins of deed—
- C: We have hoarded Your gifts selfishly, and have defiled ourselves with all manner of evil.
- P: We hunger and thirst for righteousness,
- C: But we are doomed to starve and die, to thirst eternally.

Therefore, we beg You, for the sake of Jesus

Christ, Your Son,

to forgive our sins

and to fill us with His perfect goodness,

that we may live as Your Spirit directs us,

filled with all the fullness of God.

- P: Like bread broken to be shared, Jesus Christ was given to die for you. For His sake your sins are forgiven. He will raise you up on the last day, and you will live forever.
- C: Lord, give us this bread always! Amen.

Entrance Hymn "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" No. 356

The Kyrie pg. 57

- 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.
- P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: 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.
- C: Lord, have mercy.

- P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C: Amen.
- *The Hymn of Praise—pg. 58
- P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
- C: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. 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. 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.

The Prayer for the Day

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: You respond to our prayers, O Father: We asked for bread...daily bread.
- C: You provide us with more that we desire...more than we deserve: You give us bread..."the living bread that came down from heaven."
- P: For You are always more eager to give to Your children than we are to ask.
- C: Feed us, O Father—feed us the rich goodness of Your Son's living bread.
- P: For we know that You will feed us, O Father—
- C: more than we desire...more than we deserve:
- P: Through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now...
- C: and forever. Amen.

All readings are from the New Revised Standard Version

The First Lesson 1 Kings 19:4-8

⁴But he himself 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." ⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He 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. ⁷The 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." ⁸He 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. This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

The Psalm "The Lord I Will at All Times Bless" Psalm 34 Insert

The Second Lesson 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. This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

The Verse

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

*The Holy Gospel John 6:35-51 C: Glory to you, O Lord. Pg. 63

³⁵ Jesus 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. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; ³⁸ for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

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." This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ Pg. 63

The Sermon "Power Food—Part I"

Hymn of the Day "Praise and Thanksgiving" No. 409

Affirmation of Faith 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 power of the Holy Spirit born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

*The Prayers of the Church

- P: To the Bread of Life we lift our prayers for the family of God, for every nation, tribe, people, and language, and for all those who hunger for the true bread from heaven. (after each petition)
- P: Lord in your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: Within the fold of Your tender care, O Father, we entrust these petitions to You, that You might hear us, teach us Your Word, and feed us with the Bread of Life, even Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: Amen.

*The Great Thanksgiving

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up our hearts.
- **C:** We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

- C: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and light,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!
 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest!
- P: On the night when He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread into his hands, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to the disciples with the words,

Take and eat; this is My body, given for you.

Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, spoke a prayer of thanks over it, and said,

"This cup is the new covenant in My blood,
Which is shed for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin,
Each time you drink of this cup,
Do it in remembrance of Me."

The Lord's Prayer

Eucharistic Song: "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" WOV 711 (Stanzas 1-4)

Communion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may honor His sacrifice by continuing His mission in the world.

All are invited to take the communion packet that was provided as you came to worship this morning.

P: Take and eat, this is the Body of Christ, broken for you to be made whole.

All are invited to open the larger cup from the

communion packet and partake of the wafer therein.

- P: Take, drink, the Blood of Christ, poured out for you to be filled with His endless life. *Please open the smaller cup to consume the wine.*
- P: The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ and His precious Blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting.
- C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

- P: Lord Jesus Christ, as Elijah was nourished in the wilderness—nourished for a forty-day journey—so are we nourished in this meal—nourished for our life's journey…nourished for all eternity. We bless you now and evermore.
- C: Amen.

Sending

P: Go out and imitate God, living in love.

Put your hope in God's Word

and let your own words be truthful and constructive.

May sin rouse your anger,

but never let anger cause you to sin.

Don't allow any room for evil.

God always hear your voice;

Christ Jesus raise you to new life;

the Holy Spirit nourish you + for the life of love.

C: Amen.

Closing Song "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

No. 551

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Our Worship Is Ended—Now Our Service Begins!

Please remember these members in your prayers

Bill & Sharon Crile—recovery from hospital stay and illness

Jim Doerfler—serious mouth surgery—continued healing

Carol Earle—immediate family for peace and comfort

Cory Hautmann—Physiological strength

Linda Hautmann—Strength and healing for Lupus and from melanoma

Palagia Hlava—complications from MS

Stephanie Johnson—sprained wrist

Laurene Kozar—recovering from stomach surgery

Becky Larkins—fostering Holly—possible adoption

Marla Manijak—hip and leg pain

Ken Nicely II—complications from diabetes

Kenny Nicely III-shoulder pain—healing from surgery

Kenny Nicely IV—Epilepsy

Stephen Nicely—traveling mercies to work in Normal, Illinois for 2 months

Carol & Heather Poston—strength and healing from MS

Amy Rohaley—new job situation

Our College Students— Abigail Ayers, Corey Hautmann, Joanna Nicely, Grace Rohaley

Troy Roman—joined the Marines

Remember in prayer these friends of the congregation

For our Bishop, Jamison Hardy, and the congregations and pastors of the English District and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Alexa—swollen spleen—granddaughter of Joyce

Aaron—marriage problems—brother of Joyce

Roger Black—lung cancer--hospitalized—brother-in-lawof Deb

Patty Bowman—covid—Bill & Sharon Crile's daughter

Carl—in memory care in Arizona—father of Carol Earle

Lana Carnes—heart attack and stroke—friend of the Wolff's

Anna Cooper—heart surgery complications—friend of Wolff's

Bryan Corban—G.I.S.T. tumor on stomach—Marla's brother

Leona Corban—pulled muscle in her back—Marla's mom

Scott Corban—Rheumatoid Arthritis—brother of Marla

Tom Corban—Parkinson Disease—Marla's brother

Deb Defer—back & hip pain—sister of Diane Lee

Jamie Dunn—battling cancer—back to work—bus driver for Streetsboro

Sue Ellinwood—liver cancer—friend of the Wolff's

Dan Erlandson—severe depression-hopelessness—friend of Robin

George Foerster—father of Dianne Reynolds

Christine Frank—cancer—friend of Jim

Ken Granville—leukemia—retired Band Director and friend of many

Anita Hlava—speedy recovery from hip surgery—Steve's mom

Charles Hovavetz—triple bypass surgery—friend of Beuck's

Debbie Hovavetz-internal problems-neighbor of Tom & Linda Beuck

Janice—heart problems

Jayme—suffered a stroke—Joyce's son's fiance

John—multiple health issues--neighbor of Joyce

Julie—reaction to Parkinson's medicine—friend of Diane Lee

Steve Kolar family—passed away this week—friend of Streetsboro

Suzanne Latham—lyme disease—sister of Marla

Dave Lauver—stomach cancer—Wolff's cousin

Lori—complications with knee replacement—co-worker of Joyce

Frank Manijak—congestive heart complications—Steve's Dad

Samantha—ear barotrauma{swelling} from being hit by a wave in

Ocean City--granddaughter of Joyce

Inge Osborne—cancer—doing well—no chemo—friend of St. Thomas

Sandi Platen—health issues—sister of Steve Manijak

Jodie Powers—addiction healing—niece of Steve and Marla

Karen Power—healing from back fusions—friend of the Earle's

Peter Power—diabetes—friend of the Earle's

Valonte Ragland—paralyzed from car accident—starting to take steps—co-worker's son of Amy

Latesha Ragland—learning how to care for Valonte

Jessica Reker—job searching—friend of Amy

Leo Rohaley—declining health—uncle of Amy

Leslie Slanina—healing—Gilbert's mom

Tim Tolodzieski—recovering—brother-in-law of Steve Crile

Kenneth Udovic-cancer-brother-in-law of Tom Beuck

Linda Veletta and family—family issues—friend of Robin

Jay Veletta—head injury—neighbor of Robin

Bennie Wegener—pancreatic cancer—friend of the Wolff's

Dan Wiley—diagnosed with lymphoma—friend of Diane Lee

Denny Wood—cancer surgery recovery—friend of Joyce

Carol Yurkschatt—hospitalized—Rocky and Kim Kinder

Doris Zimmerman—newly diagnosed lung cancer—friend of the Wolff's

Homeless served by LMM—space in Independence

COVID 19 virus patients