

PENTECOST

A TIME TO GROW

St. Matthews Lutheran Church

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS

August 11, 2024

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 11, 2024

(* indicates the assembly stands)

Gathering

Hymn Sing

Words of Welcome & Service Announcements

*Hymn 522

"As We Gather at Your Table"

*Greeting

*Prayer of the Day

Word

First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalms 34:1-8 (see page 4)

(read responsively)

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:25–5:2

*Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia!"

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*Gospel Reading

John 6:35, 41-51

Sermon

*Hymn of the Day 485

"I Am the Bread of Life"

*Prayers

*Peace

A: Receive our prayer.

Meal

*Offering Hymn 184

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

*Offering Prayer

*Great Thanksgiving

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*Holy, Holy, Holy

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*Thanksgiving at the Table

*Lord's Prayer (<i>Our Father, in heaven...</i>)	p. 208
Lamb of God	p. 208
Communion Hymn 494	<i>"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"</i>
*Table Blessing	
*Prayer after Communion	
Sending	
General Announcements	
*Hymn 537	<i>"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"</i>
*Dismissal	A: Thanks be to God.
Postlude	

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Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, 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. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

Church Fire Plan For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety. The AED and a first aid kit are in the hallway by the office.

Psalm 34

¹I will bless the LORD ^l at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be ^l in my mouth.

²I will glory ^l in the LORD;
let the lowly hear ^l and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness ^l of the LORD;
let us exalt God's ^l name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, who ^l answered me
and delivered me from ^l all my terrors.

⁵Look upon the LORD ^l and be radiant,
and let not your faces ^l be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and ^l the LORD heard me
and saved me from ^l all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who ^l fear the LORD
and de- ^l livers them.

⁸Taste and see that the ^l LORD is good;
happy are they who take ref- ^l uge in God!

Leading Worship Today

Guest Minister : Rev. Monika Wiesner

Diaconal Minister of Music: Deacon Scott Knarr

Lector: Kim Schaner

Communion Servers: Jeanette Harrop & Ivan George

Broadcast: Gary Pootz

Building Monitor: Don Robins (519-502-2099)

Worship Notes

In our prayers Glennis Koenig, Judy, Clare, Yvonne, Jeanette, Meaghan, Henry, Grace, Maureen and John.

We welcome back the Rev'd Monika Wiesner this morning to share the good news. Thank you, Monika!

Important Information for today's worship

- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be presented at the High Altar during the service.
- **The Peace:** We support people's choices for passing of the peace.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.
- **Downstairs Washrooms** can be accessed via any of the staircases. There is one wheelchair accessible washroom, and the rest are all-gender washrooms. A further all-gender washroom is also available via the west stair tower door (front left of the Sanctuary) on the same level. Turn right at the hallway.

General Announcements

Holidays and Coverage: Pastors Carey and Sebastian will be on holidays during August. Below you find the worship leaders and on-call pastors.

Sunday Supply:

August 18 Rev'd Dr. Allen Jorgenson

August 25 Rev'd Dr. Allen Jorgenson

On Call:

August 6 - 19 Rev'd Laura Sauder 519-703-0643

August 19 - 25 Rev'd Heike Toeller 519-212-9952

Space for your notes on today's service, for your personal reflection.

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