

...giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
*Ephesians 5:20*

## Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021

9:00 AM; 6:00 PM

*Shared on Augsburg Lutheran Church YouTube Channel*

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

*The mission of Augsburg Evangelical Lutheran Church is to glorify God  
by proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ through  
worship, witness, education, service and fellowship.*

**Please note the following parameters set forth by our Congregational Council:**

Augsburg's Medical Advisors **STRONGLY RECOMMEND** that all participants at indoor events at Augsburg wear masks while inside the facility.

**At the 6:00 p.m. Worship** – All worship participants are required to wear masks regardless of vaccination status. (*Note: All those leading worship in the chancel or choir loft are vaccinated and will only remove masks while speaking or singing.*)

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Setting X*

*In-person worship rubrics will be found in bold italics.*

✠ **GATHERING** ✠

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** Adagio in E Major

Frank Bridge

**ACCLAMATION**

Timothy Olsen

Alleluia. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me,  
and I abide in them. Alleluia.

*(John 6:56)*

*We stand.*

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**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.**

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.

**Amen.**

*In-person worship: The congregation will sing the appointed stanzas of the Gathering Hymn as the assembly turns to face the cross as it enters the sanctuary, following the cross as we have followed Jesus into this holy place and time of corporate worship.*

# GATHERING HYMN 522 As We Gather at Your Table (*Stanzas 1 & 2*)

IN BABILONE

1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,  
 2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;  
 3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
 send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
 where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;  
 Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;  
 There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-destroy,

teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.  
 may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.  
 as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedjes en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

### HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth,  
2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth;  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all;



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!



## SECOND READING Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

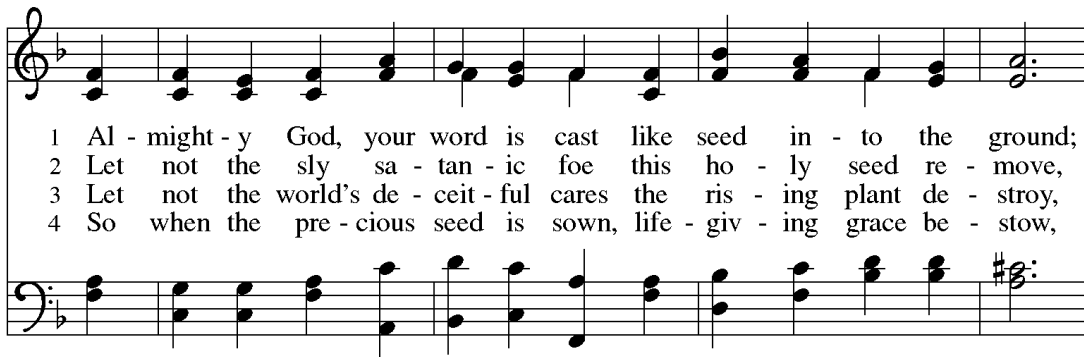
Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.



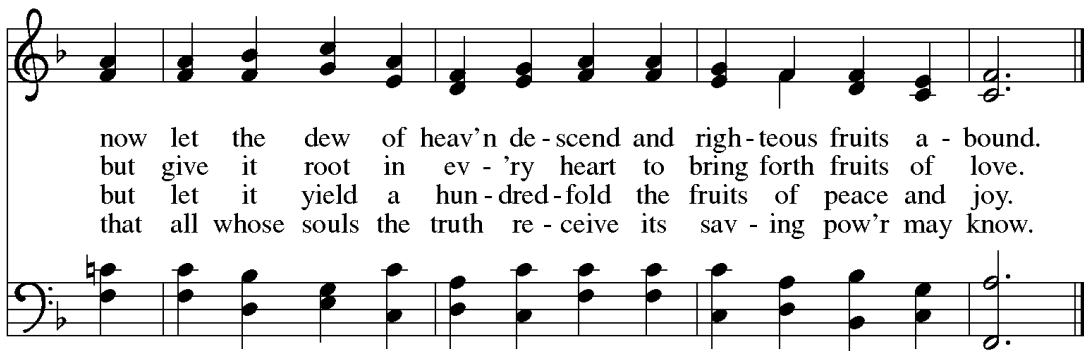


*In-person worship: The congregation will sing the appointed stanzas of the Hymn of the Day.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY 516** Almighty God, Your Word is Cast (*All Stanzas*) ST. FLAVIAN



1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed in - to the ground;  
2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe this ho - ly seed re - move,  
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant de - stroy,  
4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, life - giv - ing grace be - stow,



now let the dew of heav'n de - scend and righ - teous fruits a - bound.  
but give it root in ev - 'ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.  
but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.  
that all whose souls the truth re - ceive its sav - ing pow'r may know.

Text: John Cawood, 1775–1852, alt.  
Music: ST. FLAVIAN, J. Day, *Psalter*, 1562

## **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 Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world,  
and all of creation.

*Each portion of the prayers concludes:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving  
love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

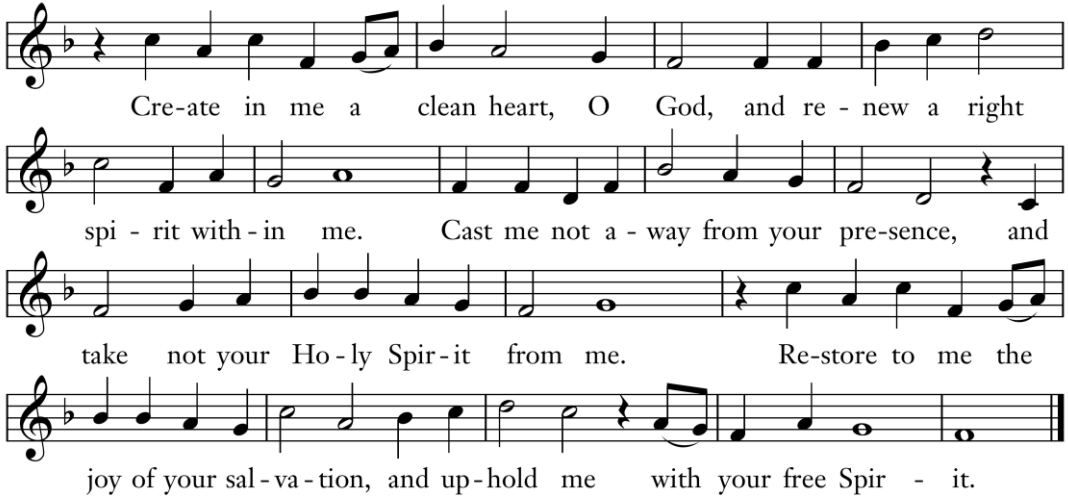
*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

# ✠ MEAL ✠

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY HYMN



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spi - rit with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pre-sence, and  
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the  
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Let us pray.

**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.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows a musical score for 'Great Thanksgiving' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al-so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for 'Sanctus' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The melody is more complex than the 'Great Thanksgiving' piece, featuring some dotted rhythms and longer note values.

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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;  
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.

*The presiding minister lifts the bread and cup and says*

When we eat this bread, we share the body of Christ. When we drink this cup, we share the blood of Christ.

*The assembly responds*

**Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.**

## AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

*We sit.*

## COMMUNION

*Today we will be communing using the individual communion kits that you received when checking in for worship. Gluten-free wafers are available when you check in. Please wait to take communion until the pastor comes to the end of the row and shares the Eucharistic Proclamation with you. Visitors and children are welcome to receive communion. Those who have never communed and would like to are encouraged to talk to a pastor. All who do not receive communion will receive a blessing.*

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond Amen.*

*We stand.*

## TABLE BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

Let us pray.

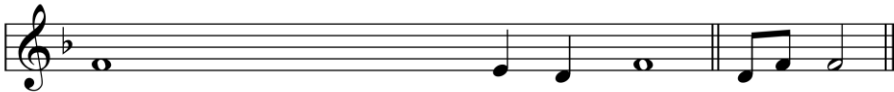
O God, we give you thanks  
that you have set before us this feast,  
the body and blood of your Son.

By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need  
and to give ourselves away  
as bread for the hungry,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### BLESSING



The Lord bless you ... and ✠ give you peace. A - men.

*In-person worship: The congregation will sing the appointed portion of the Sending Hymn as the assembly faces the cross as it leaves the sanctuary, following the cross as we follow Jesus into the world. All remain facing the cross for the dismissal.*

# SENDING HYMN 546 To Be Your Presence (*All Stanzas*)

ENGELBERG



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -  
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the  
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for  
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy  
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,  
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your  
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,  
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!  
love ex - pressed,  
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Trumpet Tune in D Major

C.S. Lang

## *Soli Deo Gloria!*

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# Announcements

**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God** and in celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Phil and Linda Martin who were married at Augsburg on August 14, 1971.

**This week we keep in prayer Jim and Marian Apel**, 714 Chestnut Ridge Court, Winston-Salem, NC 22103-5035. Please send **Jim and Marian** a note.

**Thanks to Cantor (Emeritus) Armitage** for filling in while Cantor Olsen is on vacation!

**Today at the 10:30 Outdoor Worship service we celebrate the Holy Baptism of Lillian Jane Fernbach.** She is the daughter of Adam and Jennifer Fernbach and the grandson of Elisa Fernbach. Welcome to your family of faith Lillian!

**Mark your calendars for the Blessing of the Backpacks**, Sunday, August 22 at the 10:30 service in the Outdoor Gathering Space.

**Wine & Word is back!** Join us at 7:00 every Tuesday evening in August in the Outdoor Gathering Space. Bring a chair if you like and wine to share—light snacks provided. To keep us all safe—there's no glass in the grass (of the OGS), so we will have volunteers pouring wine at tables just outside the space.

**Augsburg's Softball Team will be playing this week, Wednesday, August 18** at 7:30 p.m. at Washington Park field Number 4. Spectators are always welcome! If you are interested in joining the team, please email Hannah at [hannah@alcws.org](mailto:hannah@alcws.org). Play ball!

**The Quilt Ministry will meet on Thursday, August 19** at 10:00 a.m. in the youth area. Newcomers to the ministry are welcome! Please enter the building from the lower side parking lot off Pilot View. Contact Martha Claire Henzler with any questions, [mcquilt@triad.rr.com](mailto:mcquilt@triad.rr.com), or call 336-768-4561.

**In honor of one of Augsburg's recently departed saints**, we will hold a memorial service for Barbara Schwartz on Saturday, August 21 at 2:00 p.m. Please remember Barbara's family in your prayers.

**Charles Lamar Roediger, IV, son of Charles and Lizzie Roediger** and grandson of Chuck and Becky Roediger was received into the Christian faith by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on July 17, at Augsburg. Many blessings to the Roediger family.

**On September 12, following the Sunday morning services**, Augsburg will once again be hosting opportunities to serve in our community...connecting us with other ELCA Lutherans on God's Work/Our Hands Sunday: A food packing event with Rise Against Hunger which will be held in the Family Life Center and will be following all safety precautions. Lunch provided. Sign-up now online [HERE](#) or in person in the Narthex on the Sundays leading up to the event. Also, on Sunday September 26, we will be serving lunch following the service at the Dwelling, the community of faith led by Pastor Emily Norris.

**We keep you in prayer.** Our pastors continue to be available for your pastoral care needs. If you would like to reach a pastor, please send them an email. Pastor Paul is [seniorpastor@alcws.org](mailto:seniorpastor@alcws.org) and Pastor Lori is [pastoralassociate@alcws.org](mailto:pastoralassociate@alcws.org).

**Readings for next week:** Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Psalm 34:15-22; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69.

**Worship attendance for services last week: 148** in person and **61** views on **YouTube**.

## Providing Service Today

### *Bulletin Cover Artist*

Elizabeth Chéron

### *Ushers*

(9:00) Nick Seeba, Damien Richardson, David Shirlen

(6:00) Pat Holland, Jack Strandhoy, Elizabeth Chéron

### *Head Usher*

(9:00) Don Eppert

### *Communion Assistants*

(9:00) Karl Florian

(6:00) Joanna Frock

### *Altar Guild for August*

Linda Martin, Lydia Vaughan

### *Assisting Minister*

Rev. Lori Carter

### *Preaching & Presiding*

Rev. Paul Wollner



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