

Service of Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 01, 2021



We give thanks that you are worshipping with us today. Advent Lutheran Church is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We welcome you on your spiritual journey, be it for an hour or a lifetime! We are delighted that you have joined in this virtual worshipping community and pray that you will be safe in these times. We look forward to that time when we can be together physically and share fellowship and meals. Meantime, we would love for you to make yourself known to Advent by emailing the church or through Facebook. Everything you need for the worship service is printed in the bulletin.



PRAYER CONCERNS

We keep the following persons in prayer



Richard Ahlvin (uncle of Anne Curtis)
Rev. Anna Anderson (Pastor)
Ben Levisky and Bill Wentz (cousins of Joy Duncan)
Lawrence Blackmore (friend of the Lovells)
Sonja Blair (cousin of Desiree Jessimy)
Sandra Bradley (mother of Mark Duncan)
Hai Buffard (friend of Ginger Wierzbanowski)
Warren Hageman (member)
Ray Hawn (member)
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Kathryn "Kate" Juhl (member)
Mimi McNeel (friend of Ellie Holsopple)
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Patti Peterson (wife of Walter Peterson)
David Pellinen (member)

Michele Polestino (friend of Carole Assante)
Hannah Reese (friend of Sam & Anne Curtis)
Yvonne Ross (friend of Nesta Alleyne)
Rev. Lowell Schuetze (friend of Advent)
Jeannie Stevens (aunt of Sam Curtis)
Linda and David Trismen (parents of Eric Trismen, friend of Advent)
Jean Wetzel (mother of Joy Duncan)
Arthur and Charles Wichern (brothers of Carole Assante)
Becky Wilfinger (friend of Marilyn Falksen)

For those deployed to serve this country:

Delaunta Fitzgerald (grandson of Chandra Fitzgerald)
Kevin Messer (friend of Advent)
Charlie Nash (son of Gordon & Susan Nash)
Dallas Polk (grandson of Chandra Fitzgerald)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Gavotte

M. Camidge

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation **Amen**

P 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.

C **Amen**

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

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

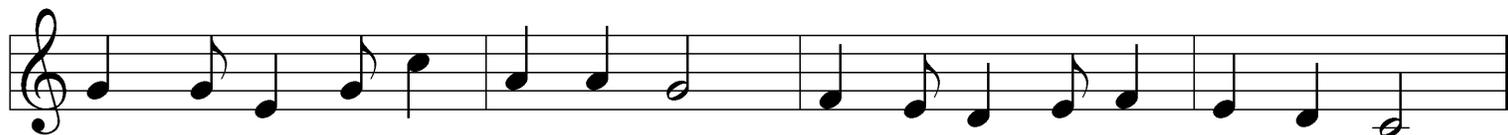
C **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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**

P 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.

C **Amen**



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain

Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929

Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune, adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980

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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.**

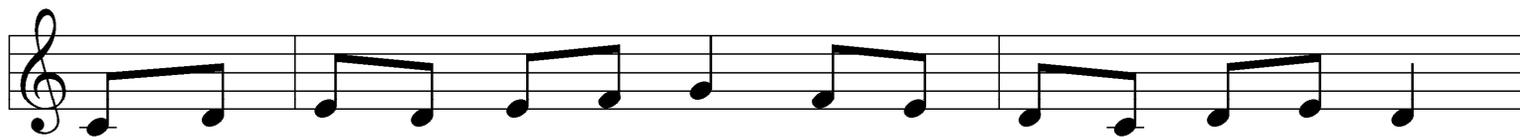
HYMN OF PRAISE

Thine the Amen

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(Please see graphic next page)





1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.

Text: Herbert F. Brokering, b. 1926
 Music: THINE, Carl Schalk, b. 1929

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:12-15

Reader: A reading from Exodus

¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 78:23-29

(Assisting minister reads light print; congregation reads bold.)

²³So God commanded the clouds above
and opened the doors of heaven,

²⁴**raining down manna upon them to eat
and giving them grain from heaven.**

²⁵So mortals ate the bread of angels;
God provided for them food enough.

²⁶**The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens
and powerfully led out the south wind,**

²⁷raining down flesh upon them like dust
and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

²⁸**letting them fall in the midst of the camp
and round a- bout the dwellings.**

²⁹**So the people ate and were well filled,
for God gave them what they craved.**



SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:4-7, 11-12

Reader: A reading from Ephesians

⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

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Refrain

The image shows two staves of musical notation for a hymn. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics: 'You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.' The second staff contains the lyrics: 'Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.' The music is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and suitable for congregational singing.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the sixth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

²⁴When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they

said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?"³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus 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."

P The Gospel of the Lord
C **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

Rev. Anna Anderson

HYMN OF THE DAY

Now We Offer
(Please see graphic next page)

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THE PRESENCE
THE *Promise*
THE POWER

Refrain



Now we of - fer you, our Fa - ther, with the bread and with the wine



all our joys and all our sor - rows, all our strug - gles and our time.



1 As the fields of wheat now grow - ing will be - come a ho - ly sign,

5 We sing glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to Christ who lives a - bove,



Refrain

so shall we re - veal you, Je - sus, that in us you now may shine.

and we praise the Ho - ly Spir - it for the gift to us of love.

Text: Misa popular nicaragüense, tr. Gerald Thorson, 1921–2001

Music: TE OFRECEMOS, Nicaraguan folk tune

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THE PRAYERS

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all God's creation.

A brief silence. After each petition please respond: "Your will be done."

A We pray to the Lord,

C **Your will be done**

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C **Amen**

MEAL

SHARING THE PEACE

A The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We greet one another with a gesture of peace.

OFFERING Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren J. G. Walther

Please stand as you are able

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Blessed are you,

C **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.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P . . . now and forever..

C **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

BLESSING FOR OUR INTERNET CONGREGATION

P If you are staying for Communion, please follow the instructions of the ushers. If you are leaving worship now, receive the blessing: May the Lord bless you and keep you, may God's face shine upon you and grant you peace.

C **Amen**

DISMISSAL FOR DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

(All are welcome to receive. Wine and white grape juice are available by individual cup. If you do not commune, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. You are invited to use hand sanitizer at any time. It is available as you enter the labyrinth and as you leave the Table.)

As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen***

TRANSITIONAL MUSIC

Blessed Be the Name

East African Traditional

SENDING

BLESSING

A Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

We give thanks for those assisting with worship today . . .

Pastor	Rev. Anna Anderson
Assisting Minister	Debbie Lewis
Communion Assistant	Ingrid Berdahl
Altar Guild	Joy Duncan
Organist	Eric Sparks
Videographer	Shane Gainer
Hospitality Team	Wendell Anderson, Shelley Bennett, Gerry Fuller, Eric Heigis, Christin Chung Kjelland and Kevin Letterly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The crowds of 5,000 plus that Jesus fed want to know what they must do to keep getting free meals, and, better yet, what Jesus is going to do to see that they get them. We also come hungry and sing of “passing the loaves around.” We come “with our struggles and our time” as we consider what we can do with our gifts, singing “Now we offer ... so may we reveal you, Jesus.”

Fellowship and LET'S EAT, too! Following this morning's worship, come enjoy fellowship and food with brunch at Bella Napoli Italian restaurant. The owner will open early for us so we can settle in before the lunch crowd.

In the Kitchen. As more of us are in the kitchen, please DO NOT leave dishes or water in the sink. The mice outside come in if they sense food or water. If you have a meeting at the church, please clean up completely after your guests.

Help nourish Arlington children. Next Sunday is the last day for our summer food drive to help feed Arlington children while school is out. Thank you for your contributions so far, but we will continue to accept cereal (not too sweet but kid friendly), peanut butter, and jelly (both in plastic containers, please) through August 8. Please place donations in the Welcome Center boxes.

Advent Book Club changes meeting date! The discussion has been rescheduled for August 28. We will meet in Advent's Welcome Center at 3 pm to discuss *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury. If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Falksen.

Pastor Anna's Health Update

I'm so happy to have been able to lead worship since mid-April. My strength is increasing and I'm able to stay around after worship to talk - please feel free to find me and to introduce newcomers to me. My incision wound is still being monitored, and my surgeon is still considering replacing my spacer hip with a real one in the fall, but nothing certain. I am not on any medication except the antibiotics and have no pain. The hair loss from the surgeries seems to have stopped. I finally got an appointment with the eye doctor and hope to have my new glasses soon so that I can read fluently again.



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Office Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm.

Please have bulletin announcements to the church office by 12 noon each Wednesday.

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