

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 12, 2018
9:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

Special Music

By Pastor Dan & Becky's Grandchildren
"Hallelujah" written by Leonard Cohen



stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † forgiving God,
the maker of wheat and water, the bread of life
coming down from heaven, the yeast at work
within us and this world.

C Amen

silence for reflection and self-examination

P Loving and gracious God,

C we need your grace. We ask your forgiveness for acting out of fear rather than faith. We confess that we often settle for filling our lives with things that do not satisfy or endure. We find ourselves empty, anxious, and hungry. And so we come to you. We come having heard whispers of bread of life. We come hoping the promises of never hungering again are true. We come to you to be fed. Nourish us with your grace. Empower us for your service. In the name of Jesus,

who is life's bread, feed our repentant souls and help us to see you in the faces of those who need.

P It is because God loves you, that I can announce to you in Jesus' name, the complete and total forgiveness of your sins. Jesus' presence is your daily bread. Live today, as the Holy Spirit leads you. Remember that you do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn 'As We Gather at Your Table' 522

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.

please be seated

Opening Sentences

A Jesus is the bread of life.

C Whoever comes to Jesus will no longer be hungry.

A Jesus gives us living water.

C Whoever believes in Christ will no longer be thirsty.

A Let us renew our faith in Christ, that the soul might be filled.

C Come, let us approach God with hopeful hearts.

Prayer of the Day

P 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**

First Reading

I 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."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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves 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. ²⁹Let 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. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and 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, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel

John 6:35, 41-51

³⁵Jesus 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. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They 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'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise

that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It 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. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I 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

Hymn of the Day

'O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts' **658**

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Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord in your mercy.

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty and loving God, we look to you in hope and trust, knowing that you will do far more than we can ask or imagine, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Peace

The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory

'Break Now the Bread of Life' vs 3

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Offering Prayer

A Merciful God,

C you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God'	p. 154
'Let Us Break Bread Together'	471
'Eat This Bread' (<i>sing twice</i>)	472
'Come, Let Us Eat'	491

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

- A Jesus Christ, host of this meal,
C **you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen**

Blessing

Sending Hymn

'Go, My Children, with My Blessing'	543
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Dismissal

- A Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: August 12

Greeters: Mason –Millie, Joe & Lindsey Wilharms
East – Karen Miller

Assisting Minister: Lois Hilger

Lector: Cheryl Muggenthaler

Communion: Ron Bailey

Ushers: Joe Wilharms, Mike Keeney, Phillip Keeney

Pianist: Anita Golz

Attendance 08/05/18: 9:00 – 47

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Welcome to Grace

Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today.

There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.

*If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Marian Breitenfeldt and Dorothy Henke.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Donny Kassube; Charlotte Endorf; Ron Bailey; Kay Elliott; James DeBaal.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Marian Breitenfeldt; Kenny Verdegan; Carol Baumbach, Dottie Frankie; Ryan Olson.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the cards** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Life Line Screenings are being held Aug 22nd at St Bernard Parish in Appleton. There are flyers on the table in the narthex on how to register.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Volunteers always appreciated: If you like to visit with people, work in the yard, help with property projects, help in the kitchen, bake once in a while, drive people to appointments, play games... Call 734-7225; ask for Becky, Katie or Cheryl, and we'll find the perfect spot for you to help make a difference at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

Worship and Church Picnic August 19th – **Save the date!** Accordionist Karen Krull will provide special music at 9:00 a.m. worship. Then we will have a picnic with music by Chuck Kruckeberg. **There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex for items to be brought by the congregation. Please help out. Please bring your own lawn chairs if you have them.**

The **Grilled Cheesers** are starting up again, Thursday Sept 6. If you are interested in helping in the kitchen or baking brownies, please let Sue Pringnitz know (cell 284-2074).

The **Lunch and Story Adventures** is continuing through August 30, every Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 to 1:00. Please keep these adventures in your prayers. Children can come and go week to week. If you have children visiting, bring them!!

We will be returning to the fall schedule Sunday September 9th with services at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:25 a.m. Please put it on your calendar.

If you or a family member are **hospitalized**, please give Pastor Dan a call and let him know. We don't always get a call from the hospital to let the church know.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartments for rent: 1 BR & 2 BR; Call Becky at 734-7225.

Blessing Box is going great! Items are being taken and items are arriving. Every day when I come here items have been both taken and left. Of course Mac N Cheese and Spaghetti O's are a huge hit! Thank you everyone for your support of this new ministry. Personal items are also being taken as there is a need for them as well. An Idea: I have been shopping at the Dollar Tree. Everything is \$1.00 and sometimes you get several items for the \$1.00, 3 bars of soap, 8 pack of small packs of tissues, 3 tooth brushes with holders, tooth paste, 4 pack of toilet paper, canned goods and some canned goods were on sale for \$.79, shampoo, laundry detergent, dish detergent, etc. etc. etc. Many of these items are name brands and I don't mind shopping for myself as well. Dollar Tree is on Northland / 00 about 2 or 3 blocks on the right from Richmond. These same ideas work for Loaves & Fishes as well. Cheryl

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, August 12**..... 9:00 a.m. Worship
- Monday, August 13**.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
- Tuesday, August 14** 10:30 a.m. W & M Mtg
6:30 p.m. FV Chorus
11:00 am to 1:00 pm Lunch & Story Adventures
- Wednesday, August 15**9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Worship
6:30 p.m. Council
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
- ***NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE*****
- Thursday, August 16**.....
11:00 am to 1:00 pm Lunch & Story Adventures
- Friday, August 17**9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- Saturday, August 18**9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter’s House Worship
- Sunday, August 19** 9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 Church Picnic

