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We welcome all children to our worship. Children need to remain with their families during worship. There is no Sunday Church School at this time. Please ask the ushers for a children's bulletin!

Communion: All are welcome. Please let an usher know if you need to take Communion in your seat.

No Scents Makes Good Sense.

Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Sunday, July 24, 2022.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude - The Shire, Howard Shore arr. Denis Burel Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright, arr. Timothy Shaw Our Father, God in Heaven Above, arr. Timothy Shaw

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Territory

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

Gathering Song - When Morning Gilds the Skies # 853 (Red)

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

Hymn of Praise



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Most High and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading – Genesis 18:20-32

In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom for the sake of the few righteous people there, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

The Reading: ^{20b}Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ^{21b}I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

^{22b}So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³ Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴ Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵ Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶ And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷ Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸ Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹ Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." 30 Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." 31 He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it."

³² Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Word of God. Word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 138

¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart; before the gods I will | sing your praise.

²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.

³ When I called, you | answered me; you increased my | strength within me.

- ⁴ All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,
 - when they have heard the words | of your mouth.
- ⁵They will sing of the ways | of the LORD, that great is the glory | of the LORD.
- ⁶The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly, perceiving the haughty | from afar.
- ⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe:
 - you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.
- ⁸You will make good your pur- | pose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.

Second Reading – *Colossians 1:15-28*

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸ See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. 9 For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, 10 and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹ In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹² when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. 13 And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. 15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹ and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

Gospel Reading – Luke 11:1-13

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ² He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³ Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴ And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵ And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷ And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will

be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Hymn of the Day – **Seek Ye First #458 (Blue)**

Prayers

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Rooted and built up in Christ, we pray for the church. Embolden church leaders to take risks for the sake of the gospel, and equip the baptized to proclaim your extravagant love for the whole world. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Rejoicing in the works of your hands, we pray for the natural world. Make rivers and lakes, oceans and all waterways, sparkle with your radiance. Protect water sources and strengthen those who defend them. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Interceding on behalf of the vulnerable, we pray for the peoples of the world. Inspire all rulers and governing authorities with your justice. Guide the work of legislators and public officials, that they advocate for the well-being of those they serve. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Persistent in prayer, we pray for our neighbours in need. To all who hunger, give daily bread. To all who have bread, give a hunger for justice. Open us to the cries of those who suffer. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Dorothy, Deacon Chris, David, Bill, Dale, Benito, Isa.... and those we remember before you in our hearts... Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Abounding in thanksgiving, we pray for this congregation. Bless all the in this place. Call us together in times of praise and blessing, trouble and sorrow, in your holy name. We pray especially today for those marking their baptismal anniversaries this week, that they may live into the promises of their baptism: Noah King, Peter Villhauer, and Carl Daly. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

God of love, we thank you today for your grace active in the lives of Kurt and Sandy Christie, and Bruce and Jean Howard as both couples celebrate 60 years of marriage. Fill them with tenderness and patience, and give them love toward you, the world, and each other. Be with them until that day when we all celebrate the marriage feast that has no end! Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful Creator,

We confess that 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 neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sin, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Peace

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offertory: Here is Bread # 483 (Red) verse 1 and chorus only

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here

In this bread there is healing In this cup there's life forever In this moment, by the Spirit Christ is with us here

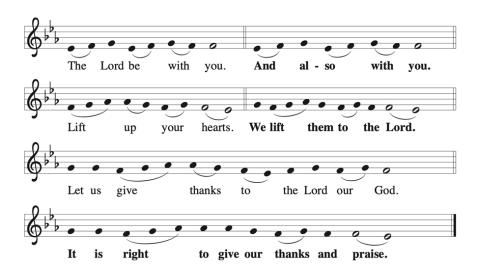
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Offering Prayer

Let us pray:

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **Amen**

Great Thanksgiving



Preface

... with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Eucharistic Prayer

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent Jesus to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

On 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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: As grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, through whom all glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your Church, both now and forever. Amen.

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.

Invitation to Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

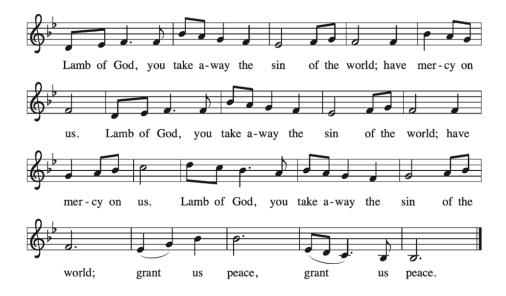
Thanks be to God!

Spiritual Communion

For those who may feel uncomfortable coming forward to receive communion at the altar, here is a prayer of "Spiritual Communion" that might work for you:

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymns



Come and Fill our Hearts #528 (Red)

Jesus, the Very Thought of You, #754 (Red)

Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever.

Amen

The blessing of the God of life be ours. The blessing of the loving Christ be ours. The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours, to cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.

Post-Communion Prayer

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Announcements

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Benediction

God, the Source of glory,
God, the Word of life,
God, the Spirit of truth
+ bless you all, now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Song - Lord of Light #688 (Red)

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Postlude - An Wasserflüssen Babylon, J.S. Bach

Offerings can be placed in the trays at the back of the pews until we can pass plates again.

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Announcements and Information

We pray for:

ACC: ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the East Central Area of the Synod of Alberta.

ELCIC: The Rt. Rev. Stephen London, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Edmonton and the Territories.

Altar Guild for July: Thank you to Bonnie Evans and other volunteers.

The flowers are given today in honour of their 60th wedding anniversaries by Sandra & Kurt Christie and Jean & Bruce Howard who were married on July 21, 1962.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to the Sandra, Kurt, Jean and Bruce for hosting today. Please sign up in the Narthex if you wish to host on another Sunday.

Huxley Phillips is looking to help people with their household chores and earn some pocket money. He is available to help out with indoor and outdoor cleaning, tidying, re-organizing and general chores. He can also help with pet sitting. He can get into small (spider-free) spaces, but he can't help with heavy lifting and dog-walking. If you are interested in hiring him, please call 519-836-4321.

Assisting Ministers, Servers & Ushers needed: Please give some thought to helping out in this ministry within our church. <u>Training is provided</u>. Please let the office know if you are interested/ available. Thank you.

Silvercreek Community Market: We continue to need peanut butter, breakfast cereal, pasta sauce, and rice.

Global Relief: Thank you for your support of CLWR's emergency appeal for the Hunger Crisis in Sub-Saharan Africa. Your gifts have helped CLWR partners deliver food, water, nutritional support, and health services to those in need. Find out more about how your gifts are helping at clwr.org, and please continue to join us in praying for all those affected by this historic crisis. You can make a donation through the church office, or online at pwrdf.org or clwr.org.

LOOKING AHEAD: July 25 – July 30

Wednesday 27	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Sunday 31		Pentecost 8 Holy Communion - Nave
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Organist

Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann Administrative Assistant

Church Summer Office Hours

Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.