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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 15, 2018

HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Confessional Service with Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn of Invocation - #37

"Lord, 'Tis Not that I did Choose Thee

+ The Invocation – pg. 46ff (*stand*)

+ Versicles & Responses

+ INTROIT

Ps. 143:1–2, 8a; antiphon: Ps. 143:11

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

**Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!
In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!**

*Enter not into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.*

**Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,
for in you I trust.**

*For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!
In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!*

+ The Confessional Address or Exhortation – pg. 47

+ The Corporate Confession of Sins and Absolution – pg. 47-48

+ The Collect for the Day

O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ The Old Testament Reading: Amos 7:7-15

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

+ The Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14

+ The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14-29

+ The Nicene Creed – pg. 22

+ Hymn - #374

“Grace! ‘Tis a Charming Sound”

+ Sermon – “God Chose Us in Christ”

Ephesians 1:3-6

- I. An overview: From the beginning God chose us in Christ for salvation.**
- II. He chose us for adoption as sons.**
- III. He chose us that we may be holy and blameless before Him.**

+ The Offertory – pg. 22 (*stand*)

+ The Offerings

+ The Prayer of the Church

+ The Preface ~ The Agnus Dei – pg. 24-28

+ Distribution Hymns

#411 “From Eternity, O God”

#221 “Hark! Ten Thousand Harps and Voices”

#391 “Blessed Are the Sons of God”

+ The Nunc Dimittis – pg. 29

+ The Thanksgiving – pg. 30

+ Post-Communion Collect – pg. 30

+ The Salutation & The Benedicamus – pg. 31

+ The Benediction – pg. 31

+ Closing Hymn - #391 (*7:00 p.m.*)
“Blessed Are the Sons of God”

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

July 15: Judg. 15:1–16:3; Gal. 3:23–4:11; **16:** Judg. 16:4–30; Gal. 4:12–31; **17:** 1 Sam. 1:1–20; Gal. 5:1–26; **18:** 1 Sam. 1:21–2:17; Gal. 6:1–18; **19:** 1 Sam. 2:18–36; Acts 15:22–41; **20:** 1 Sam. 3:1–21; Acts 16:1–22; **21:** 1 Sam. 4:1–22; Acts 16:23–40.

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