

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
(July 26, 2020)

† DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE †

Greeting & Announcements

Opening Hymn "Evening and Morning"

LSB 726

- 1
Evening and morning,
Sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace, and gladness,
Comfort in sadness:
These are Thy works; all the glory be Thine!
Times without number,
Awake or in slumber,
Thine eye observes us,
From danger preserves us,
Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.
- 2
Father, O hear me,
Pardon and spare me;
Calm all my terrors,
Blot out my errors
That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
Order my goings,
Direct all my doings;
As it may please Thee,
Retain or release me;
All I commit to Thy fatherly hand.
- 3
Ills that still grieve me
Soon are to leave me;
Though billows tower,
And winds gain power,
After the storm the fair sun shows its face.
Joys e'er increasing
And peace never ceasing:
These shall I treasure
And share in full measure
When in His mansions God grants me a place.

4 To God in heaven
All praise be given!
Come, let us offer
And gladly proffer
To the Creator the gifts He doth prize.
He well receiveth
A heart that believeth;
Hymns that adore Him
Are precious before Him
And to His throne like sweet incense arise.

Confession and Absolution

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

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P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Exhortation

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P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Psalm

Psalm 125 (antiphon: v. 2)

¹Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

²As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the LORD surrounds his people,
from this time forth and forevermore.

³For the scepter of wickedness shall not rest
on the land allotted to the righteous,
lest the righteous stretch out
their hands to do wrong.

⁴Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts!

⁵But those who turn aside to their crooked ways
the LORD will lead away with evildoers!
Peace be upon Israel!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

²As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the LORD surrounds his people,
from this time forth and forevermore.

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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P Glory be to God on high,
C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon

us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

⁶“For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Romans 8:28-39

²⁸ We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of

Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹“Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

LSB 725

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

Sermon

"In God's Hands"

Romans 8:28-39

Offertory

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- C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of
the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

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C **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 Words of Our Lord

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Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns "Be Still, My Soul"

LSB 752

- 1 Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul; your God will undertake
To guide the future as He has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.
- 3 Be still, my soul; though dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in this vale of tears;
Then you will better know His love, His heart,
Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes away.
- 4 Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

LSB 717

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd’st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.
- 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain,
O’er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, Thy people go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand
From ev’ry peril on the land.
- 3 O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might
Save all who dare the eagle’s flight,
And keep them by Thy watchful care
From ev’ry peril in the air.
- 4 O Trinity of love and pow’r,
Our people shield in danger’s hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe’er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

“Jesus, Lead Thou On”

LSB 718

- 1 Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand
To our fatherland.
- 2 If the way be drear,
If the foe be near,
Let not faithless fears o’ertake us;
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many_a woe
To our home we go.

3 When we seek relief
 From a long-felt grief,
 When temptations come alluring,
 Make us patient and enduring.
 Show us that bright shore
 Where we weep no more.

4 Jesus, lead Thou on
 Till our rest is won.
 Heav'nly leader, still direct us,
 Still support, console, protect us,
 Till we safely stand
 In our fatherland.

Communion Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

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C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy
 word,
 for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared
 before the face of all people,
 a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without
 end. Amen.

Thanksgiving

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P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C **and His mercy endureth forever.**
P Let us pray.
C **Amen.**

Salutation and Benedicamus

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P The Lord be with you.
C **And with thy spirit.**
P Bless we the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

“I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”

LSB 729

- 1 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
Trusting only Thee;
Trusting Thee for full salvation,
Great and free.
- 2 I am trusting Thee for pardon;
At Thy feet I bow,
For Thy grace and tender mercy
Trusting now.
- 3 I am trusting Thee for cleansing
In the crimson flood;
Trusting Thee to make me holy
By Thy blood.
- 4 I am trusting Thee to guide me;
Thou alone shalt lead,
Ev'ry day and hour supplying
All my need.
- 5 I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever
And for all.

**Those Serving In
The Worship Service Sunday Morning
July 26, 2020**

Preacher	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
Elders	Boyd Arnold, Stephen Hildebrand Matt Bonnell, Duane Lofton,	8:00am 10:30am
Organist	Marilyn Smith	
Ushers	Jack Messenger, Paul Yutzy Curtis Peterson, Joe Peterson	8:00am 10:30am
Videographer		

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Announcements July 26, 2020

SUMMER HOURS FOR THE CHURCH OFFICE, 8:00am - 3:00pm. If the door is locked during this time, please ring the bell on the right-hand side of the door and someone will let you in.

POSITION AVAILABLE - The congregation is seeking a part-time Church Secretary. Application and Job Description are available at the Church Office. Please contact Glacia with questions, glaciap@messiahlutherangj.org or 245-2838.

CAR FOR SALE - Messiah has been blessed with the donation of a 2016 Chevrolet Sonic with only 12,000 miles; very clean. We will be taking sealed bids for 30 days, beginning today, from anyone interested in purchasing the car. The car is valued at \$9,837 and the minimum bid is \$8,837. Contact the office to set up a time to test drive or for more information.

LWML - Does life matter? The value of life is not based on assets accumulated or popularity with the most people. Value of days is utterly connected with constant witness to Jesus. Do you ever let your humbleness convince you that you really can't do much? Even a "modest" gift from an estate may be part of God's plan to supply crucial future ministry needs, all with an aim at sharing Jesus with a world that desperately needs the life He alone can give. Each one works with whatever gifts God provides. Your LWML Gift Planning Counselor can help you focus that work through your estate.

Contact: Rocky Mountain District Advocate Elizabeth Weber, weber4342@acsol.net, Cell: (970) 361-0794

SCHOOL REGISTRATION DAYS - Mark your calendars for July 29th & 30th from 8:00am to 4:00pm to attend registration and completion of fees for the 2020 - 2021 school year.

OPENING OF SCHOOL CHAPEL SERVICE - ALL church and school families are invited to attend our Opening of School Chapel Service on Sunday, August 9th, at 5:00pm. Classrooms will be open from 4:30pm - 4:50pm if you would like to drop off school supplies. Please join us as we ask God's blessing on our upcoming school year.

NOW ENROLLING FOR THE 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR - We are now taking applications for this coming school year, preschool through eighth grade. Member's and non-member's children are welcome here at Messiah and we have an excellent Christian academic program. School begins on August 12th. Please call the office for more information at 245-2838.

THANK YOU - Pastor Redeker and Messiah friends for a surprise birthday, hosted by my sisters! They were delighted you all came honking and singing birthday greetings. It was the highlight of my day! A special thank you to Donna Bruns and Paul Yutzky for contacting so many friends and Neal Kaspar's vocal talent with special lyrics just for me! Your cards and greetings

were so wonderful, and I thank you all.
Love, in Christ Marilyn Smith

THANK YOU - Pastor Redeker and the congregation of Messiah Lutheran Church. We the family of Marilyn Seeley, would like to extend our thanks for your work, kindness and thoughtfulness. The beautiful music, thoughtful sermon and delicious food all played their part to make Mom's memorial service peaceful, meaningful and welcoming. Holly Villa

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY-Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR-Listen to The Lutheran Hour message each Sunday morning at 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station.

ONLINE GIVING - Click online giving on the front page of our website www.messiahlutherangj.org to set up reoccurring offering or a onetime donation.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT- "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold

all that he had and bought it" (Matthew 13:45-46). Indeed, Jesus redeemed us and purchased us back from sin and death with all that He had. We belong to Him now. And this is the foundation for our own generosity: imitating the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

(from the LCMS Stewardship website)
-The Board of Stewardship

URGENT NEED COMMUNION SETUP AND CLEANUP -The Holy Communion signup sheet is in need of people to help in setting up and cleaning up of communion. Set Up is needed for the months of August, and October. Clean up is needed for the months of September, and December. Please prayerfully consider helping. We are more than willing to train or help in anyway. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their time in service to our Lord. Contact Laura Ryden, 970-241-0438 for more information.

HOLY COMMUNION SET UP AND CLEAN UP FOR WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES OF 2020 -need volunteers. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their time in service to our Lord. Contact Laura Ryden, 970-260-6766 for more information.

July Income:

Week of July 19-25	\$ 8,572.89
Weekly need	20,386.00
Month to date	43,397.76
Monthly need	88,342.00

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
Monday	9:00am	Office Staff Meeting
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	6:00pm	Board of Evangelism
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:00am	School Registration
	6:00pm	Church/Communion
Thursday	8:00am	School Registration
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
Saturday	11:00am	Marva Simpson Memorial Service
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	6:00pm	Parent Meeting/Fellowship Hall

These next few months are going to be tough for everyone.

But, we will get through it together by the grace of God.

**If you or someone you know is in Spiritual,
Physical, or any other need:**

We are here for you.

Pastor Redeker: (314) 608-5538

Pastor Schmidt: (314) 261-3180

Please remember to let the office know of any changes of individuals that you have placed on the Prayer List.