



LORD OF LIFE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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IN THE GRACE
OF JESUS CHRIST!*

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“MAKING GOD FIRST THROUGH HOPE, GROWTH & TOGETHERNESS”

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Extended Prelude & Words of Greeting

Opening Song In The Spirit “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship”

Doerksen

(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing)

**Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are, to worship.
Come, just as you are, before your God. Come.**

**One day ev’ry tongue will confess You are God,
One day ev’ry knee will bow.
Still, the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now.**

**Come, now is the time to worship.
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are, to worship.
Come, just as you are, before your God. Come.**

Litany Celebrating The Rush of The Wind In Power & Grace – Psalm 138

Pastor: Today our souls feel the rush of The Wind; we receive again and again The Bread of Life and God’s saving grace, so we come, for now is the time to worship, in the name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: People of God: Jesus, The Bread of Life, fills us and blesses us, again and again, with every day miracles. Let us take a moment of silence to confess our sins and those times we have failed to go back to God, for more of God’s goodness and grace. *(silence for reflection)* Friends in Christ, feel the rush of The Wind as God fills you with his grace in these words: Jesus saves; Jesus forgives you all your sins. The Lord’s name is lifted high and valued above all else. God is so good; God alone feeds us again and again!

Song of Faith Anew “God Is So Good”

Makai

God is so good. God is so good. God is so good. He’s so good to me.

Pastor: Friends of Jesus: Live anew in the goodness and glory of The Bread of Life. God lifts us out of the depths; his love and goodness shine on us and fill our souls again and again!

Song of Faith Anew

“God Is So Good”

Makai

God fills my soul. God fills my soul. God fills my soul. He’s so good to me.

Pastor: People of Faith: As we join in prayer and worship, come and feast again and again on The Bread of Life who loves us, and fulfills his purpose in us. The steadfast love of the Lord satisfies our every hunger; and God’s goodness endures forever!

Song of Faith Anew

“God Is So Good”

Makai

God loves me so. God loves me so. God loves me so. He’s so good to me.

Prayer of the Day

All: Loving God, we trust you and your goodness are the source of every miracle, blessing us again and again every day. Today we come with hungry hearts; give us once again our daily bread. In the rush of The Wind, by your Holy Spirit, may The Bread of Life, may The Bread of Heaven, feed us with even more of your truth, hope, faith and grace. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

Hearing The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 19:4-8

(all read bold print)

But Elijah himself 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.” Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, **“Get up and eat.”** He 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. The 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.”** He 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.** (NRSV)

Gospel

John 6:35, 41-51

(all read bold print)

Jesus 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.”... Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They 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’?” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. **No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day.** It 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. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. **Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.** Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I 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.” (New Revised Standard Version)

Children's Message & "Jesus Loves Me"
(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing)

Percival & Warner

Sermon

"Everyone Have Seconds, ..."

Pastor Jamie Thompson

Song Filled With Life & Grace "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing)

Robinson & Wyeth

**Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee; May I still thy goodness prove.**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.**

**Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; Seal it for thy courts above.**

Sharing Our Needs and Joys with God in Prayer

Pastor: ...as we pray to you, Jesus, ...

All: Let us feel the rush of The Wind, in your Spirit, and your grace.

Pastor: All these things and whatever else you see we need, grant to us we pray, for into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

We Receive the Gifts of Life from God in Holy Communion **The Words of Institution**

The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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.**

Song During Holy Communion *(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing)*

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

African American Spiritual

vs. 1 **Let us break bread together on our knees;
Let us break bread together on our knees.**

ref: **When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.**

vs. 2 **Let us drink wine together on our knees;
Let us drink wine together on our knees. (refrain)**

vs. 3 **Let us praise God together on our knees;
Let us praise God together on our knees. (refrain)**

Strengthened to Live Today, and All Our Days, In The Grace of Christ

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, this day, and on into life everlasting. **All: Amen.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ, The Lord of life. Amen.

Pastor: 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, as you feel the rush of The Wind in God’s saving grace. In the name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit. **All: Amen.**

Pastor: Let us go in the peace of Christ, celebrating the love of God, and serving the Lord of life.
All: Thanks be to God!

Going Anew In Grace “Shout to the Lord”

Zschech

(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing)

**My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You;
All of my days, I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.
My Comfort, my Shelter, Tower of refuge and strength,
Let ev’ry breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.**

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing, Power and majesty, praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, Forever I’ll love You, forever I’ll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.**

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing, Power and majesty, praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, Forever I’ll love You, forever I’ll stand;
Nothing compares to the promise I have in, Nothing compares to the promise I have in,
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.**

Postlude

**Join us next Sunday, August 15, The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost,
“Plenty of Nourishment, In The Rush of The Wind!”**
Worship includes a Children’s Message, a Sermon, and Holy Communion!
Join us in-person or via our live stream efforts on our Facebook page, under “videos.”

**As we share worship in this new way, we are seeking volunteers to assist
with greeting, ushering, serving communion,
live streaming, AV ministry, set up, clean up, worship leaders, and more!**
You can access details and ways to sign up on our website and Facebook page! Thank you!

**All who proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, are welcome to God’s table of grace as we
share Holy Communion. Communion is now offered once again during worship, as we share
pre-packaged single servings of communion, including a wafer and grape juice.**
Carefully pull back the first tab to expose the host, the body of Christ, given for you;
then pull back the second tab to expose the blood of Christ, shed for you!
Please ask for assistance or clarification as you are served!

**For those sharing their generosity today, we thank you for your faithful giving!
Offering is collected in baskets by the ushers as you exit the building.**

*For those who are not able to join us for worship, you are invited to receive drive-through
communion, available Sundays, 10:15-10:30 a.m. at the front curb near the church entrance.*

*We hope having the service provided for you in this way, will touch you, comfort you,
reassure you, and grace you in some way! If you believe others you know would be blessed to
receive this bulletin, the sermon notes, or our live stream links, please forward these to them.*

*In this time when we are committed to safety and social distancing, please trust we are equally
committed to keeping us socially and spiritually connected!*

On behalf of the Kingdom of God, thank you for the ways you make God and neighbor first!

**From everyone on every level of leadership and service,
we continue to pray for you and to give thanks to God for each of you!**

Please contact Pastor Jamie if he can serve you in any way: jamie.thompson@lordoflifemn.org

**We pray The Holy Spirit breathes anew on us to be God’s people and to be God’s Church,
as together we make known and we trust anew
God’s gifts of hope, peace, justice, clarity, calm, and comfort forever break forth in new ways
for you and your loved ones, today, and as we share every gift of God’s light, love, and grace!**

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“EVERYONE: HAVE SECONDS ... IN THE RUSH OF THE WIND!”
AUGUST 8, 2021 - THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
I KINGS 19:4-8; EPHESIANS 4:25-5:2; JOHN 6:35, 41-51
Promises for your pocket or purse - Take notes and carry them with you.

Do you enjoy going back for seconds? Do you fill your plate once, and say that is enough? When it comes to our spiritual walk, there is nothing wrong with going back, again and again, for a little more. When we do not go back for seconds, we may feel only somewhat satisfied. Today we are reminded to live anew in Jesus, The Bread of Life, come down from heaven to fill us. If we do not go back, we may not get any of what we missed the first time. As we make God and neighbor first, trust Jesus invites us to keep coming back to find something new. When we do not go back for seconds, we lose the chance to enjoy our favorites. Jesus fills us and feeds each of us in different ways. The Bread of Life is here for you to count on, to feast on, and to enjoy. In the rush of The Wind, come back to Jesus again and again. Trust God sent Jesus, The Bread of Life, to come down from heaven that we might enjoy life, that we might not miss out on even one choice blessing, that we might be filled to overflowing!

1. In the rush of The Wind, when we go back for seconds, when we go back to Christ again and again, we can truly enjoy all our favorites in God’s grace!
1 Kings 19:5,7; Ephesians 4:29, 5:1-2; John 6:51
 - A. Having seconds allows you to go back again and again to what you like best.
 - B. Eating should be fun. Jesus feeds us and nourishes our spirits to celebrate and to rejoice in what we need most.
 - C. However Christ meets you and feeds you best, trust it is ok to keep going back for a second helping.
 - i. Fill your plate again and again, and enjoy.
 - ii. Maybe your favorites include: worship, study, reflection, prayer time, people, fellowship, community, children, outdoors.

2. In the rush of The Wind, when we go back for seconds, when we go back to Christ again and again, we can get all of God’s grace, we might have missed out on the first time.
John 6:41-42
 - A. With our eyes so often drawn to the same thing - over and over – having seconds allows us to get what we might have passed by.
 - B. There is so much to feast on; no way it will all fit on our plate or in our life right away - we can always come back for more.

- C. It is never too late to go back to Christ and to try something new.
 - i. Ephesians 4:25 - Paul wrote the Ephesians, giving the people a second helping of living in communion with God.
 - ii. Ephesians 5:1-2 - We are imitators of God when we 'live in love as Christ loved' making sure everyone has enough Jesus.
- 3. In the rush of The Wind, when we go back for seconds, when we go back to Christ again and again, God invites us to get really filled up.
 - A. Having seconds allows us to fill up. 1 Kings 19:4-8 - Elijah was spiritually empty, defeating Baal's prophets and having the rain prayer answered. He needed to fill up and be strengthened.
 - B. Do not make the mistake of simply nibbling on Jesus.
 - C. John 6:35, 41, 48, 50-51 - When you fill up on The Bread of Life there is room for nothing else. You have no room for those other tasty temptations. How much more full can you get than 'from heaven,' 'forever,' 'eternal,' 'abundance'?
- 4. John 6:41,48,50-51 - In the rush of The Wind, all are invited to have seconds, to feast on The Bread of Life again and again. Eat every day! There is enough; it is fresh each day. Do not hesitate to come to fill up on him. Eat, and then eat some more. Try something new; enjoy your favorites. Let Jesus fill you even more in God's grace!