Welcome, visitors! Welcome members and friends of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church.

Thank you for joining us in church and on our online service today.

## 9<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF THE WORD - pg. 213

July 21, 2024

Prelude – "Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation" – setting, Robert Hobby

#### **WELCOME**

(Please rise)

## GATHERING HYMN – ELW 461 ALL WHO HUNGER, GATHER GLADLY

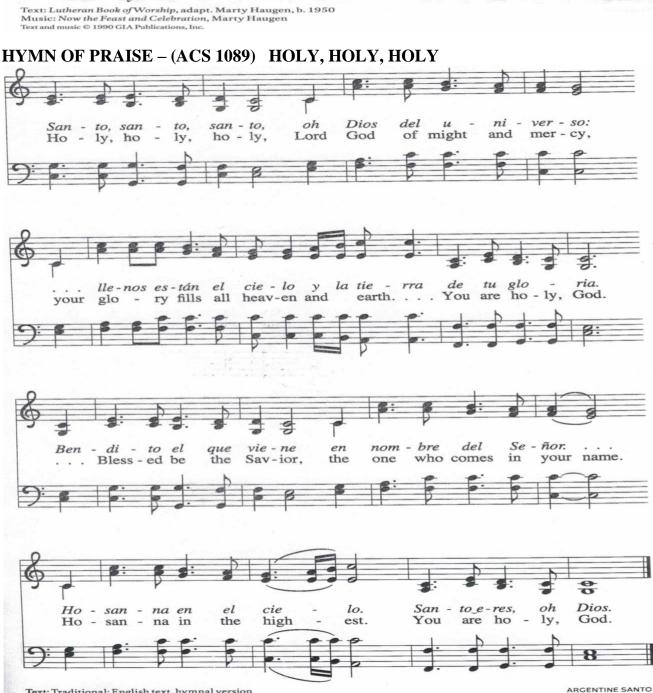
#### **GREETING**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all. **Cong – And also with you.** 

### **KYRIE** – (ELW 157)







Text: Traditional; English text, hymnal version Music: Argentine traditional English text © 2020 Augsburg Fortress

Irregular

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Cong - Amen.

(Please be seated)

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

## **Kathy Conley, Worship Assistant**

Jeremiah prophesied before the exile in 587 BCE. In this passage, he uses the metaphor of a shepherd to describe the bad kings who have scattered the "flock" of Israel. God promises to gather the flock and to raise up a new king from David's line to save Israel and Judah.

<sup>1</sup>Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. <sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

**Cong – Thanks be to God.** 

#### PSALM: Psalm 23 – ELW 778 THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD

#### **SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:11-22**

#### Kathy Conley, Worship Assistant

The author of this letter reminds his audience that originally they were not part of God's chosen people. Through Jesus' death, however, they are included in God's household of faith, whose cornerstone is Jesus Christ.

<sup>11</sup>Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

## Cong - Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation



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Pastor – The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Cong - Glory to you, O Lord.

#### GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

**Pastor Kelly Reagan** 

When Jesus sends his disciples out to teach and heal, they minister among large numbers of people. Their work is motivated by Christ's desire to be among those in need.

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. <sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Pastor – The Gospel of the Lord.

Cong – Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SERMON** 

(Please rise)

HYMN OF THE DAY – ELW 676 LORD, SPEAK TO US, THAT WE MAY SPEAK

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **PRAYERS**

Pastor – In your mercy,

Cong - Hear our prayer.

Holy God, holy and merciful: Into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Cong – Amen.** 

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong - And also with you.

#### **PEACE**

(Please be seated)

#### **OFFERING**

(Please rise)

## OFFERTORY HYMN – (ELW 695) AS SAINTS OF OLD verse 1

As saints of old their first-fruits brought of orchard, flock and field to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield, so we today first fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray. O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Cong - Amen.

#### THE 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.

#### BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

Cong - Amen.

#### SENDING HYMN – ELW 883 ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

(Please be seated)

Postlude

Pastor - Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Cong - Thanks be to God.

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## **COURTYARD SOCIAL**

Everyone is welcome to the St. Matthew Courtyard Social! Please join us on **Saturday, August 17 at 6:30 p.m.** for some food and drink, laughter and fellowship. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage of choice. See you on the patio!

## MEASURE OF LOVE – July 14, 2024 Attendance – 56 Total Deposit - \$2787.00

SCHEDULE	OF EVENTS

#### **SUNDAY**

WOV Service of Word & Prayer pg. 213–9:30a.m. Choir – after worship

### **MONDAY**

#### TUESDAY

Yarn Matters -6:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

July 21, 2024

#### **THURSDAY**

Al-Anon – 10:30 a.m.

#### **FRIDAY**

AA, Al-Anon - 8:00 p.m.

### **SATURDAY**

### **SUNDAY – July 28, 2024**

Holy Communion WOV 5–9:30 a.m.

Handbells— after worship

## 645 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



Text: Latin hymn, c. 7th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: Henry Purcell, 1659–1695; arr. Ernest Hawkins, 1802–1868

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

## The Lord's My Shepherd





## 883

# All People That on Earth Do Dwell



Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594 Music: Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561 OLD HUNDREDTH LM