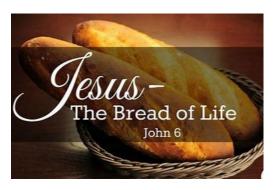
THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 28th, 2024 – 8:30 AM

WELCOME



Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

- ✤ Preacher Chaplain Liz Lahti-Rosensaft
- ✤ Officiant Pr. Brian Griswold
- ✤ Worship Leader Earl Hem

WORSHIP

HYMN: Glory

1

Glory, glory in the highest Glory to the Almighty Glory to the Lamb of God And glory to the Living Word Glory to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give glory (glory) Glory (glory) Glory, glory to the Lamb I give glory (glory) Glory (glory) Glory, glory to the Lamb I give glory to the Lamb.

2

Praises, Praises in the highest Praises to the Almighty Praises to the Lamb of God And Praises to the Living Word Praises to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give Praises (Praises) Praises (Praises) Praises, Praises to the Lamb I give Praises (Praises) Praises (Praises) Praises, Praises to the Lamb I give Praises to the Lamb

3

Honor, Honor in the highest Honor to the Almighty Honor to the Lamb of God And Honor to the Living Word Honor to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give Honor (Honor) Honor (Honor) Honor, Honor to the Lamb I give Honor (Honor) Honor (Honor) Honor, Honor to the Lamb I give Honor to the Lamb

© 1987 Mercy / Vineyard Publishing, CCLI License # 22085334

HYMN: Jesus, Strong and Kind

Jesus said That if I thirst, I should come to Him. No one else can satisfy, I should come to Him. Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to Him. No one else can be my strength, I should come to Him. **Chorus** Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him No one else can be my shield, I should come to Him. *Chorus*

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me. And He showed me on that cross, He will come to me. **Chorus**

Chorus: For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night. We can always run to Jesus, Jesus, strong and kind.

© 2019 CityAlight Music; Farren Love And War Publishing; Integrity's Alleluia! Music; Wanaaring Road Music, CCLI License # 22085334

Prayer of the Day - Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

GOD'S HOLY WORD

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord...Thanks be to God!

Psalm 145: 10-18

 $^{\mbox{\tiny 10}}\mbox{All}$ your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

$^{\scriptscriptstyle 11}\mbox{They}$ shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,

¹²that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.

¹⁶You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

HOLY GOSPEL

A Reading from the Holy Gospel of John 6: 1 - 21; Glory to You, O Lord!

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all.





¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid."²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord...Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

SERMON – Chaplain Liz Lahti-Rosensaft

OFFERING & OFFERING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you that you can satisfy our every desire and need. Your word says that we should give honor to you with the first fruits of our wealth. Accept our tithes and offerings as a gift of worship to you. Multiply what we give for the effective growth of your kingdom. May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith so that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may have the strength to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. May we be filled with all the fullness of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

OFFERING HYMN: Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Refrain

Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea; daily walking close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Jesus, keep me from all wrong; I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
- Refrain

- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Refrain
- 3 When my feeble life is o'er, time for me will be no more; quide me gently, safely o'er to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore. Refrain

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

✤ At this time, we also recognize those joining us via FaceBook Live, and give voice to any greetings or prayer requests you may have submitted for our worship.

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer. A brief silence.

God of generations, you work in us far more than we can ask or imagine. Bless the church you have called into being across time and space, and fill it with the power of the Spirit for loving service. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of field and forest, streams and seas, you are the fullness of all things. As grains of wheat grow upon the earth and fish swim in the waters, sustain your creation. Protect harvests and give every person food in due season. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God beyond borders, you rule all in all. Bless the work of humanitarians and peacekeepers, shield those who live, work, or serve in harm's way, and bring an end to war and conflict. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of healing, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. We remember any who are sick or suffering, families in our community who endure hunger, those who seek asylum or citizenship, and our beloved for whom death is near. We especially remember, those from our families and community in greatest need of our prayers and your blessings. (*Please name silently or out loud*). In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of grace, you root us and ground us in love. As you inspired our ancestors in this place in their ministry, sustain us also in new endeavors, that your glory may be made known, and your lovingkindness shared anew. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all, your love in Christ surpasses all knowledge. We give thanks for the departed who have come to know the fullness of your grace. Join our voices with theirs and all the saints in singing your praises. In your mercy, **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. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus the Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages, to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, through whom you created all things, and in whom you take delight.

He fulfilled all your will. He stretched out his hands in suffering, in order to free from suffering those who trust in you. As he was born to die, you

raised him from death to life, so that we too know that we shall be raised from death to life.

We therefore remember that he took bread, and after giving thanks to you, said: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

And in the same way, 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 death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. And unto that time, we come before you praying;





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.

Invitation to Communion – Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

OUR TIME OF COMMUNION WITH THE LORD!

COMMUNION HYMN: We Worship You, Lord

We worship You, Lord, we worship You. With every fiber of our being, we worship You. Come and dwell within our midst, as we glorify Your name, You are worthy to be praised, and we worship You! © 1987, Sound III, Inc, CCLI License # 22085334

Closing Prayer - Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: Salvation Belongs to Our God

Salvation belongs to our God, Who sits upon the throne; And unto the Lamb, Praise and glory, Wisdom and thanks, honor and power and strength. *Chorus*

And we the redeemed shall be strong, In purpose and unity, declaring aloud, Praise and glory, wisdom, and thanks, Honor and power and strength.

Chorus

Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks, Honor and power and strength. *Chorus*

Chorus

Be to our God, forever and ever, Be to our God, forever and ever, Be to our God, forever and ever, Amen

© 1985 Restoration Music, Ltd. , CCLI License # 22085334



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH Barnegat Light NJ

Dismissal: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord! Thanks be to God.

Notes: