

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns Peace 435 Blue 21 & 39
English 435 Grey 96 411

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

Aug. 8 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

Aug. 8 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

Aug. 10 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Aug. 10 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

Aug. 11 11:30 a.m. Daughters meet at Pizza Ranch- Rock Rapids.

Aug. 11 Noon Bible Study

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*. In our epistle lesson, Paul exhorts us to be imitators of God and to walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. But we are unable to imitate God and walk in love on our own. But though we are weak, we know one who is strong, so we pray that Jesus would keep us from all wrong, that he would bear our burdens with us, that he would gently lead us to his kingdom shore. Our walk depends on the one we walk with, and we walk with Jesus. Amen.

A WORD: In our Old Testament reading, the prophet Elijah runs from queen Jezebel for fear of his life. He ends up in the desert, praying that God would end his life. But God responds by sending him bread that gives him life. In our Gospel reading, we meet the true bread from heaven. Like Elijah, we were all close to death because of sin. But Jesus gave the bread of his body on the cross to cover our sin and guarantee us eternal life. Whoever eats this bread lives forever.

The epistle reading warns us against continuing to live a life of sin. Now that we know God, we are to be imitators of God, and we are to walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. This is not possible for us on our own, but it comes to us as a gift from God who enables us to put off our old life, and to put on our new life, which is being renewed in the likeness of God. In Christ, we have true life.

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: Jesus is the bread of life, and this is His own flesh. Jesus gave of Himself on the cross for the life of the world. Today, He continues to give us the bread of life whenever we are gathered around His Word. Moreover, He gives the bread of life in His body and blood in the Lord's Supper. His body is the very bread that grants eternal life.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18
Ephesians 5:6-21 John 6:51-69

PICNIC AT THE PARSONAGE: Ashlie and I would like to say thank you. Thank you for welcoming us into these churches, and thank you for welcoming us into your homes. We would love to welcome you into ours. We will be having one more get-together at the parsonage this summer. The final one will be August 28th. A sign-up sheet for our August get-together is in the Fellowship Hall. We will be hosting six families at a time. – **Pastor Alex**

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR AUGUST: Aug. 8-Karen Olson, Aug.15-Barb Phelps, Aug. 22-Ashlie Slotter, Aug. 29-Pamela Young

DAUGHTERS OF PEACE: Daughters will meet on Wednesday, August 11th at 11:30 a.m. at Pizza Ranch in Rock Rapids for lunch, fellowship and a short meeting.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect condiments-olives pickles, relish, mustard, ketchup, barbecue sauce, Heinz 57 etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 6; Next Sunday is Team 1: Michael Huygens, Keith Berg, Keith Lambert, Bob Iwen, Lucas Larson, Devin Olson, Justin Olson

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 435: COME TO CALVARY'S HOLY MOUNTAIN

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

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.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

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 +

INTROIT

Psalm 34:8–10; antiphon: Psalm 145:16

You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.
Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!
The young lions suffer want and hunger;
but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
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.
You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.
C Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:1–8

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:17–5:2

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

VERSE

John 6:51a, b

Alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

John 6:35–51

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

After the Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

BLUE HYMNAL 21: WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE

SERMON

OFFERTORY

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.**

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C **Amen.**

BLUE HYMNAL 39: JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

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