

“I WILL BLESS

*Zion*

with abundant provisions.

I WILL SATISFY

*her poor*

with food.

I WILL CLOTHE

*her priests*

with salvation.

And her

*faithful people*

WILL EVER SING FOR JOY.”

PSALM 132:15,16

## **The Eighth Sunday of Pentecost**

Plugged In: Life in Christ Is Lavish

*July 15, 2018*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us, but we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons, and Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

*Please silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.*

**Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper.** Here at Brooklyn Lutheran, we practice *Close Communion*. For more information about our practice, please read the laminated card "Holy Communion" in the card slot next to the hymnal rack.

## SERVICE NOTES FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Those who have the Savior in his Word share him by sharing the Word.

## PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Loving God, I am humbly grateful for your saving Word. Amen.

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Liturgist**

**Organist**

**Usher**

Pastor Erich Westphal

Sasha Schallert

Larry Gens

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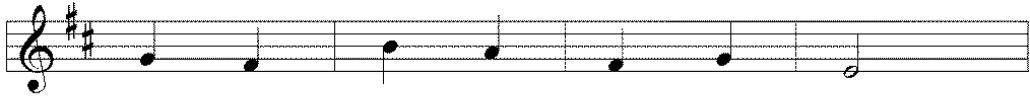
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## OPENING HYMN

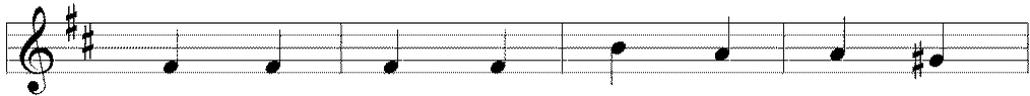
*Father, God of Grace, You Knew Us* | 753



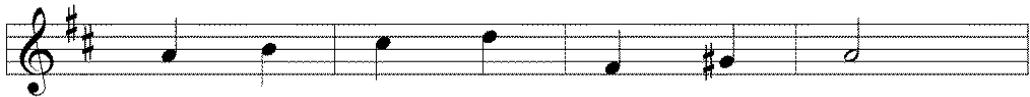
1 Fa - ther, God of grace, you knew us,  
2 We, your crea - tures, sinned a - gainst you,  
3 Coun - sel - or, you bring as prom - ised  
4 Lord, your change - less Word has fed us,  
5 For - ward lead us; Christ, we fol - low,  
6 Praise the Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor.



Chose us, named us as your own,  
And our guilt was crim - son red.  
From the Fa - ther and the Son  
Span - ning time, tran - scend - ing space.  
Drawn by Word and prom - ise true:  
Praise the Son, who took our place.



Through e - ter - nal a - ges plan - ning  
Son of God, you came in - car - nate,  
Right - eous - ness ful - filled, ac - com - plished,  
Wa - ter, bread, and wine sus - tained us  
"To all na - tions preach the gos - pel;  
Praise the Spir - it, Sanc - ti - fi - er,



To re - deem us in your Son.  
Crushed the craft - y ser - pent's head,  
Free for - give - ness, heav - en won.  
When the dark - ness hid your face.  
I am ev - er - more with you."  
God of free and faith - ful grace!

Praise the Fa - ther, God who loved us  
 Died our death, now live tri - um - phant:  
 Praise the Spir - it! He as - sures us  
 Keep us with you, faith - ful Shep - herd,  
 Keep us faith - ful! Then, Lord Je - sus,  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Ere cre - a - tion was be - gun!  
 Praise the first - born from the dead!  
 Our sal - va - tion's work is done!  
 By your sav - ing means of grace!  
 Quick - ly come! Make all things new!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

Amos 7:10-17

Life in Christ has this as its reward: faithfulness to God's Word.

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel:

Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to endure all of his words. <sup>11</sup>This is what Amos says: "Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will certainly go into exile away from its own soil."

<sup>12</sup>Then Amaziah said to Amos, "You seer, get out of here! Flee to the land of Judah. You may eat food and prophesy there. <sup>13</sup>But you must never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the sanctuary of the king and the national temple."

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos responded to Amaziah:

I was not a prophet, nor was I a son of a prophet. Rather, I was a sheep breeder and I took care of sycamore fig trees. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from tending flocks, and the LORD said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

<sup>16</sup>But now, hear the word of the LORD, you who are saying, "Do not prophesy against Israel" and "Do not preach against the house of Isaac."

<sup>17</sup>This is what the LORD says: "Your wife will be a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters will fall by the sword. Your land will be parceled out with a measuring line, and as for you, you will die upon unclean soil. And Israel will certainly go into exile far away from its own soil."

**SECOND LESSON**

Ephesians 1:3-14

Life in Christ was chosen in love for us by God.

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

<sup>4</sup>He did this when he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, so that we would be holy and blameless in his sight. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ. He did this in accordance with the good purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>and for the praise of his glorious grace, which he has graciously given us in the one he loves.

<sup>7</sup>In him we also have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in keeping with the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished on us in all wisdom and insight. <sup>9</sup>He made known to us the mystery of his will in keeping with his good purpose, which he planned in Christ. <sup>10</sup>This was to be carried out when the time had fully come, in order to bring all things together in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have also obtained an inheritance, because we were predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in keeping with the purpose of his will. <sup>12</sup>He did this so that his glory would be praised as a result of us, who were the first to hope in Christ.

<sup>13</sup>In him, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and in him, when you also believed, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. <sup>14</sup>He is the down payment of our inheritance until the redemption of God's own possession, so that his glory would be praised.

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

Deuteronomy 30:14

Alleluia. The word is very near you.  
It is in your mouth and in your heart, so you can obey it. Alleluia.

**GOSPEL**

Mark 6:7-13

Life in Christ is marked by sharing this blessed life with others.

<sup>7</sup>Jesus called the Twelve and began to send them out two by two. He gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He instructed them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their money belts. <sup>9</sup>They were to put on sandals but not to wear two coats. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that area. <sup>11</sup>Any place that will not receive you or listen to you, as you leave there, shake off the dust that is under your feet as a testimony against them.”

<sup>12</sup>They went out and preached that people should repent. <sup>13</sup>They also drove out many demons. They anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, 'Tis Not that I Did Choose You* | 380

## SERMON

*"Signed, Sealed, Delivered, I'm Yours!"* | **Ephesians 1:3-14**

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## OFFERING

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. Find instructions for **mobile giving** in the card slot next to the hymnal rack.*

*Please help us help you by recording your visit on the Connection Card in this bulletin. This is also where we register for Holy Communion.*

## THE SACRAMENT

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

***If you want to establish communing fellowship with us, please wait to receive the Lord's Supper until you have had a chance to speak with the pastor.***

### PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

*If you have established communing fellowship with us and desire to receive the Lord's Supper today, please use the following questions to help you prepare:*

- Q: Do I recognize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment?
- Q: Do I want forgiveness for my failures (according to the Ten Commandments) to carry out the responsibilities of my calling(s)?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus purchased forgiveness for me by his sinless life for me and death on the cross as the payment for all my sins?
- Q: Do I believe that Jesus gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of my sins?
- Q: Do I intend, with Christ's help, to fight temptation, do what I can to correct the wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works?

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN

*Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord* | 309

## CLOSING HYMN

*Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give* | 542

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# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 7

6 – 8:30 pm



**DOOR PRIZES NEEDED:** Please drop off your door prize donations items (hats, T-shirts, items people might like) in the church office.

**VOLUNTEERS** help make this event successful. We will need volunteers to help with set up, sign-in table, ice cream servers, greeters, etc. If you would like to volunteer this year, there are several choices on the back side of your connection card inserted in your bulletin or contact:

Guy Schimenz at: 763-772-7642 or  
schimenz@engindsystems.com

## AMAZON PRIME

Amazon has confirmed that **Prime Day 2018** will start at 3 pm ET on Monday, July 16, and extend through all of July 17, for a total of 36 hours. This is the biggest shopping day of the year outside of Black Friday with hundreds of bargains for Amazon Prime members.

Reminder: Don't forget to use Amazon Smile and choose 'Brooklyn Lutheran Church'. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to Brooklyn Lutheran Church. Directions are located in the Information Center.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**QUARTERLY TOWN MEETING** this morning after the service. Try to stay a few minutes to keep current with things going on at our Church.

**SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING** There will be a brief meeting after worship on Sunday, July 22. We thank God that Chris Schallert has agreed to serve as discipleship elder, but we need to make it official. If you are a voting member, please plan on attending worship and staying for this meeting.

**PASTOR VOLUNTEERING AT CAMP CROIX** from Saturday, July 21 – Saturday, July 28. If hospitalized, contact the WELS Twin Cities chaplain, Pastor Mark Com (651-451-3832). If you need other pastoral aid, please contact Cross of Christ, Coon Rapids (763.786.0637).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** *“Let the little children come to me, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”* (Mark 10;14) You can serve a vital part of Christ’s mission to children by serving in rotation as a Sunday School teacher. We already have two teachers and are looking for three more. Can you give one Sunday a month, with minimal preparation, to teaching our children?

**CONNECTION CARDS** We listened to your comments and will insert them in the bulletin for your convenience. The back side has additional information; including ways you can ‘Serve the Lord.’

**KWIK TRIP MILK CAPS** are still being collected. Put your milk caps from Kwik Trip in the jar by the bulletin board. Kwik Trip will then reimburse us 5¢ for each cap.

**LIBERIA’S 171ST INDEPENDENCE** Celebrations are being held in Brooklyn Park (July 25-July 29). For more information, take a flyer from the bulletin board.

## Calendar Week

### Today

Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
<b>Town Meeting</b>	11:00 am
Fellowship	

### Monday

Softball @ CS	8:20 pm
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### Tuesday

No Bible Class

### Wednesday

Lawn Mowing	6:00 pm
Isaac and Stefanie Hill	

### Sunday

Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Fellowship	11:00 am
Wise Penny Work Day	

### Saturday, July 21 – Saturday, July 28

Pastor is volunteering at Camp Croix for the week.

## Serving In The Lord

### Ushers

Today:	Larry Gens
Next Sunday:	Russ Wyman

### Organist

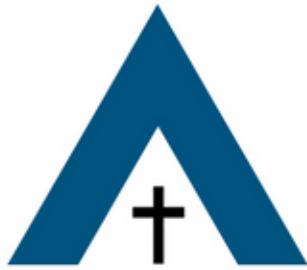
Today:	Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday:	Janice Budach

## Blessings From The Lord

### Attendance

Family Bible Study – 12
Sunday Service – 68
Men’s Growth Group – 3
Tuesday Bible Class – 8

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