

The **Angel**
LORD *of the*
ENCAMPS AROUND
those who fear him,
and **DELIVERS**
He **them.**
Psalm 34:7

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Plugged In: In Christ, We Live In Awareness of Eternity

BROOKLYN LUTHERAN CHURCH | Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

August 12, 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 be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.

SERVICE NOTES FOR THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Why is it so important that we respond to God's generosity in giving temporal blessings with gratitude to him for his spiritual blessings? Because we are plagued within and without by temptations to worship the temporal and to despise the eternal.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

When troubles and worries come, remind me to look up to you and take comfort that you, Lord, are always looking out for me. Amen.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist

Dan Gabrielson

Preacher

Pastor Erich Westphal

Organist

Sasha Schallert

Ushers

John Nueman

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OPENING HYMN

Lord of My Life, Whose Tender Care | **232**

COME, OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

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Venite

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 34 | ***Christian Worship*, pg. 80**

Sung in unison by the congregation

FIRST LESSON

1Kings 19:3-8

Elijah allowed visible setbacks and temptations overwhelm him.
In Christ, we are not overwhelmed as we focus on God's promises.

³Elijah was afraid, and he ran for his life. He went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and he left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. There he sat down under a broom tree, where he prayed that he would die. He said, "I've had enough, LORD. Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵Then he lay down and went to sleep under the broom tree.

Suddenly an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat."

⁶Then he looked around, and near his head there was a loaf of bread baking on coals and a jar of water, so he ate and drank, and then he lay down again.

⁷Then the angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, because the journey is too much for you."

⁸So he got up and ate and drank. Then, with the strength gained from that food he walked for forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mountain of God.

GOSPEL

John 6:41-51

The Jews despised the lowly Jesus whose humility veiled his deity. In Christ, we are aware that he is the only nourishment that matters.

⁴¹So the Jews started grumbling about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? So how can he say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’”

⁴³Jesus answered them, “Stop grumbling among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the Last Day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. ⁴⁶I am not saying that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He is the one who has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Amen, Amen, I tell you: The one who believes in me has eternal life.

⁴⁸“I am the Bread of Life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that anyone may eat it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread, he will live forever. The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

SEASONAL RESPONSE

Hebrews 11:1, EHV

Alleluia! Faith is being sure about what we hope for,
being convinced about things we do not see. Alleluia!

HYMN OF THE DAY

O God of Mercy, God of Might | 499

SERMON TEXT

“Be Imitators of God” | Ephesians 4:30–5:2
In Christ, we are aware that the chief importance of the temporal is that it is a reminder of the eternal.

³⁰Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Get rid of every kind of bitterness, rage, anger, quarreling, and slander, along with every kind of malice. ³²Instead, be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one other, just as God in Christ has forgiven us.

^{5:1}Therefore, be imitators of God as his dearly loved children. ²And walk in love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

YOU ARE GOD; WE PRAISE YOU

Te Deum

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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. Please place the Connection Card in the offering plate as it passes by.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

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LORD'S PRAYER

Modern Version

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PRAYER FOR GRACE

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BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN

Glorious in Majesty | **496**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT a big hit! We are guessing close to 175 in attendance. **THANK YOU** to everyone that made this event a huge success. It takes a lot of effort, but the reward is great.

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 three teachers but are looking for two more. Can you give one Sunday a month, with minimal preparation, to teaching our children?

HELPING HANDS are on the bulletin board for items needed for our preschool.

PASTOR WESTPHAL is on vacation until Tuesday. 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).

Men’s Retreat

Grill n Chill

OFFICE DEPOT has a program that will give our school credit. All you have to do is specify the school and 5% will be awarded to our preschool.

Calendar Week

Today

No Bible Study
Worship **10:00 am**
Fellowship **11:00 am**
Elder’s Meeting moved to Thursday at 6:30 pm.

Monday

Wise Penny Work Day

Tuesday

No Bible Class
BBS Board Meeting moved to Monday, August 20 at 5:30

Wednesday

Lawn Mowing **6:00 pm**
Isaac and Stefanie Hill

Thursday

Elder’s Meeting **6:30 pm**

Sunday

Bible Study **9:00 am**
Worship **10:00 am**

Serving in The Lord

Ushers

Today: John Nueman
Next Sunday: Larry Gens

Organist

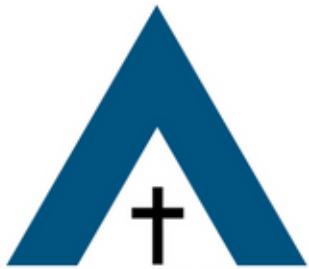
Today: Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday: Jan Budach

Blessings from The Lord

Attendance

Bible Study – 11
Sunday Service – 54
Tuesday Bible Class – 12

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