# HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH -ELCA



# Sunday, August 25th, 2024

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost "The Little Church with a Big Heart"

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In case of a pastoral emergency contact Pastor Mary Lou Plummer on her cell phone at (715)451-9992 Email hainesvillepastor@hainesvillelc.com WELCOME TO WORSHIP at HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH. We're glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. We thank you for joining us in worship and pray that our time together is a blessing to you. And.... please join us for our weekly fellowship brunch after worship. There's always plenty and you are very welcome. If you are looking for a faith community, we would be pleased to have you call HVLC your "church home".

# PRELUDE AND RINGING OF THE BELL WELCOME AND STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CHILDREN'S CHAT

- CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
- P Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C Amen.
- P Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P God, our provider,
- help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ± the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "Lord, Be Glorified" HYMN # 744

### **GREETING**

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

## **KYRIE** (setting #4 pp147-148)





### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- P Let us pray. Holy God,
- your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

<sup>1</sup> Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2a</sup> And Joshua said to all the people, <sup>14</sup> "Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup> Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup> for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup> and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

R The word of the Lord C Thanks be to God

# PSALM: Psalm 34:15-22 (read responsively)

- <sup>15</sup> The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and God's ears are open to their cry.
  - The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to erase the remembrance of them from the earth.
- <sup>17</sup> The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them and delivers them from all their troubles.
  - <sup>18</sup> The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves those whose spirits are crushed.
- <sup>19</sup> Many are the troubles of the righteous, but the LORD delivers them from every one.
  - <sup>20</sup> God will keep safe all their bones; not one of them shall be broken.
- <sup>21</sup> Evil will bring death to the wicked and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
  - <sup>22</sup> O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

# **SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20**

<sup>10</sup> Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup> As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup> Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

R Word of God, Word of Life

C Thanks be to God

### GOSPEL: John 6:56-69

The "hard saying" that offends Jesus' disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important question: "To whom shall we go?"

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] <sup>56</sup> "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup> He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup> When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" <sup>61</sup> But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup> It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup> And he said, "For this reason I have told you that

no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

<sup>66</sup> Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him.
<sup>67</sup> So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise t

Praise to you O Christ.

(please be seated)

### **GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY**

**Pastor Mary Lou Plummer** 

(please stand as you are able)

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

"O Word of God Incarnate"

**HYMN # 514** 

**APOSTLES CREED** 

P Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

### THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you.

C And also with you. (please share Christ's peace with one another)

### **OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** 

"Create in Me"

**HYMN #186** 

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

P Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C Amen.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

# RESPONSE TO PRAYERS P Merciful God C Receive our prayer Tom (Angermeier), Elaine (Caelwaerts), Mike & Rina (Clumpner), Erin

(Culbertson), Danielle (D), Philip (Dixner), Charlotte (K), Joel (L), Wade (Larson), Marian (Mailland), April (Mascorro), David (Plummer), Sue (R), Matthew (Rocque), Alice (Rocque-Angermeier), Todd (S), Barb (Salzer), Irene (Thorson), Laci, Pastor Laura, and the family of Richard Hannemann.

C Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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

### **BLESSING**

- P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  $\oplus$  be upon you now and forever.
- C Amen.

### **TABLE BLESSING**

- P Let us pray together the table blessing.
- C Come Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed. Amen.

SENDING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" HYMN # 836
SENDING FORTH

- P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- C Thanks be to God.... AND WE WILL!!

### **POSTLUDE**

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There will be a special congregational meeting **TODAY**, August 25 following worship. This is meeting is to affirm the window plans and the work that has been done for the north side stained glass windows of the church. Please plan on attending.

The Hainesville Church family is invited to the 2nd Annual Mama J and the Praise Hound Garage Concert **tonight** at 6PM. This outdoor concert is at 4205 Peterson Road, Sturgeon Bay. Please bring your lawn chair.

God's Work Our Hands Sunday will be September 8. Please come and work together with your church family to do projects for the benefit of those in need and our church here at home.

**Now** is the time to register for LIR of Door County. See the flyer in the fellowship area for more information.

#### Jul 2024

					TOTAL			
	Jul	Budget	Variance	Y	TD	Budget	Variance	
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Offerings	3,646	6,154	(2,508)		49,360	43,078	6,282	
Total Income	8,284	7,475	809		50,704	52,325	8,379	
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Total Expenses	8,436	6,975	1,461		17,653	48,825	(1,172)	
	Current	Goal						
Windows Fund	\$74,506	\$68,935						
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	\$65,412							

#### **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Over the summer, keep in mind that it is time be collecting items for LWR School kits. Peggy Odegaard has approximately 200 school bags ready to be filled.

ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE PERMITED

Watch for sales to stock up! All items for the

school kits are to be new. Here is the list.

- FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide-ruled or college-ruled paper (no loose leaf paper)
- \* ONE pair of blunt scissors
- \* FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)

Shipping date is October 4, 2024. Now is the time to get the supplies when they are on sale.

### **Stewardship Opportunities Aug 25-Sept 1**

Today the fellowship meal is our being provided by the people whose last name begins A-K. Next week the people whose last name begins with L-Z will be providing the meal.

# Week at a Glance Aug 25-Sept 1

Tuesday 9AM

Quilting for missions

Wednesday 8 AM

Men's breakfast and Bible Study

Friday 9-noon

Office hours for Lana

Attendance last week: 79

### **Birthdays in August**

August 4th Jean Hovik

August 5th Elliott Brown Riley Sawyer

August 13th Michelle Brunette

Erik Jilburg Nick Schultz

August 16th Kyler Borkovetz

Wyatt Wilke

August 18th Merle Eskildsen August 19th Irene Thorson August 22nd Dan Kostichka

August 29th Sue Aune

August 30th Lori Flick-Langer

### **Wedding Anniversaries in August**

August 7th Michelle & Brian Brunette
August 18th Gloria & Gene LaPlante
August 19th Deb & Dave Grunwald
August 22nd Barb & Richard Dunlap
August 23rd Sue & Bill Nusbaum
August 27th Kirsten & Matt Dixner

Young

# Serving in worship next week (August 25th)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist:

Jim Hanstad

Reader:

Marie Weber

Ushers:

Rilynn Brunette & Kathy

Schmidtz

Keyboard:

Heidi Hintz

# Serving in worship today (September 1st)

Presiding minister: Pastor Mary Lou Plummer

Liturgist:

Jim Hanstad

Reader: Ushers:

Pam Freiberg & Pam Freiberg &

Keyboard:

Peggy Odegaard

# Readings for next week: (September 1st)

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

God's law: a sign of a great nation

Psalm 15

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? (Ps. 15:1)

James 1:17-27

Be doers of the word, not hearers only

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Authentic religion

Please sign up for reading and ushering. There is a sheet in the fellowship area by the water fountain or see Russ Klister.