

# Union Lutheran Church

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

July 24, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

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*(Please stand when indicated by \*)*

Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) green hymnal  
With One Voice (WOV) blue hymnal

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: Chorale and Chorale Prelude on “Our Father Who in Heaven Art”  
(J. S. Bach)

### GATHERING

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| * Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness                             | LBW p. 56    |
| * HYMN: What A Friend We Have in Jesus                                 | LBW p.439    |
| * Greeting ( <i>Kyrie is omitted during the season of Pentecost.</i> ) | LBW p. 57    |
| * Hymn of Praise (“ <i>Glory to God...</i> ”)                          | LBW p. 58-59 |
| * Salutation & Prayer of the Day                                       | LBW p. 62    |

Children’s Message

### WORD

First Lesson: Genesis 18:17-33

[<sup>17</sup>The LORD said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, <sup>18</sup>seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? <sup>19</sup>For I have chosen him, that he may command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring to Abraham what he has promised him.”] <sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, “Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know.” <sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall

not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake." <sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the LORD. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

Psalm 138 *sung in unison*

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;\*  
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>I will bow down toward your holy temple and | praise your Name,\*  
because of your | love and faithfulness;

<sup>3</sup>For you have glori- | fied your name\*  
and your word a- | bove all things.

<sup>4</sup>When I called, you | answered me;\*  
you increased my | strength within me.

<sup>5</sup>All the kings of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,\*  
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.

<sup>6</sup>They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,\*  
that great is the glory | of the LORD.

<sup>7</sup>Though the LORD be high, he cares | for the lowly;\*  
he perceives the haughty | from afar.

<sup>8</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;\*  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right | hand shall save me.

<sup>9</sup>The LORD will make good his pur- | pose for me;\*

O LORD, your love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. <sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision

made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him. [<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup>and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.]

\* Gospel Acclamation

LBW p. 62

\* Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.” <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread, <sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.” <sup>5</sup>And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

Sermon: Discipleship #5: Prayer

Pastor Heidi Punt

Anthem: Our Father Who in Heaven Art (Bach)

Chancel Choir

Offering *All loose offering will go towards the Youth Camp/Missions Fund. During the month of July, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on India Transformed. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.*

\* Apostles' Creed

LBW p. 65

\* Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace LBW p. 65-66

### MEAL

\* Offertory (“*Let the Vineyards...*”) LBW p. 66-67

\* Great Thanksgiving & Sanctus LBW p. 68-69

\* Words of Institution & Lord’s Prayer LBW p. 69, 71

Lamb of God & Distribution of Communion LBW p. 72

*At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord’s Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. For those who prefer individually sealed units please indicate. Gluten Free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request. Please fill out a communion card located in the pew and hand to the Usher while following their directions to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.*

COMMUNION HYMN: Let Us Break Bread Together LBW p. 212

\* Post-Communion Canticle (“*Thank the Lord...*”) LBW p. 72

### SENDING

\* Benediction LBW p. 74

\* HYMN: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty LBW p. 250

\* Sending

Postlude: Open Now the Gates of Beauty (Davis)

Lessons for July 31: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-26; Psalm 100; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

### **Those Serving in July**

**Acolyte:** Tyler Goodman

**Altar Guild:** Sonya Mulkey and Janet Overcash

**Communion Assistants:** Brad and Jan Huffman, Sonya Mulkey,  
and Adam Thompson

**Lay Readers:** Karen Barringer and Ruby Leazer

**Ushers:** Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble,  
and Frank Merrell

**Offering Counters:** Jennifer Curlee, Doris Shepherd, and Wayne Vellines

Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1 (pages 56-76)

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## Union News

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### Sunday's Activities (July 24)

**9:35 a.m.** Youth Bell Practice

**9:35 a.m.** Sunday School with

Children & Youth: A Retuning Truth ~ Revelation 21:1-22:5

Adult Sunday School Class: The Word Resurrects ~ John 11:17-27, 38-44

**10:30 a.m.** Worship & Holy Communion

**2:30 p.m.** Youth Worship Practice for July 31

**4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.** Luther League at Organ (*Please wear clothes to get wet*)

*Deadline of August Newsletter articles*

### This Weeks' Activities:

Tuesday, July 26	6:30 p.m. 90 Days Revelation Bible Study (both groups)
Wednesday, July 27	6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
Friday, July 29	9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Drop Off Baked Goods
Saturday, July 30	8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Yard Sale & Bake Sale

### Next Sunday's Activities (July 31)

**9:35 a.m.** Sunday School Children & Youth

*(New: Sunday School End of the Year Ceremony has been rescheduled to Aug. 7)*

Adult Sunday School Class: The Word Gives Peace ~ John 14:15-31

**10:30 a.m.** Youth Led Worship & Holy Communion

The purpose of the **Called Congregational Meeting** is to vote on pursuing possible sale of the Eller Property on Walton Road (67 acres) to Polycor with the congregation retaining ownership of 75 acres.

Only active confirmed members who have communed and contributed of record for **2021-2022** are eligible to vote.

**12 noon** Earnhardt Reunion in the Dutch Meeting Hall

*Altar Flowers are open for reservation on Sunday, July 31.*

August Newsletters will be available for pick up.

*The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Robert Scott Curlee for his 49<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 27 given by his family with love, Jennifer, Cathy, and Tony.*

### NUGGET #4C: PART THREE: LORD'S PRAYER



*Thy Kingdom Come.* (The Second Petition) **What does this mean?** The kingdom of God comes indeed by itself, without our prayer; but we pray in this petition that it may also come to us. **How is this done?** God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us his Holy Spirit, so that by his grace we believe his holy Word and live a godly life now and in eternity.

(Martin Luther's Small Catechism 2010 Edition Sola Publishing-Pocket Version, page 18)

## **Financial Information**

Offering received Sunday, July 10      \$3,020.50

Offering received Sunday, July 17      \$3,675.00

Weekly offering needed to meet our Ministry Support plan \$5,556

### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...**

**Nursing Home Residents** - Brenda Mahaley, Pat & Wayne Miller, and Ruth Monroe (Autumn Care), Jean Ray (Brookdale), and Jane Shuping (Trinity Oaks)

**Homebound Members** - Rachel Earnhardt, Jean Kluttz, Frances Norris, Billy Waller, and Michael Walton

**Sick/Surgery/Recovery** - Kathleen Agner, Genevieve Baker, Bill Broadway, Jake Cauble, Mike Cauble, Phil Cauble, Lynn Coughenour, Ashley Deaton, Linda Hartley, Steve Hutchens, Tommy and Joan Kerns, Pat Kluttz, Nancy Kesler, John Knight, Sharon Leazer, Margaret Lyerly, Eric Miller, Donnie Miller, Harold Miller, Dusty Morgan, Gladys Morgan, Kay Morgan, Troy Painter, William Page, Wyatt Thompson, Ann Tucker, Effie Vellines, Pam Vellines, and Wayne Vellines

**Continual Prayer** - Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Nancy Barringer (cousin of Larry Barringer), Evonne Batten (mother of Lisa Morgan), Shonna Black (daughter of Jack and Deena Lanning), Jack Bowman (friend of Frank and Dawn Merrell), Gary Brown (friend of Karen Barringer), Vanna Calloway (friend of Kat Clifton), Arnold Cauble, Janet Dunning (sister of Doris Shepherd), June Fraley, Pastor Gross (NALC Pastor in Ukraine with Russian invasion), Amy Lowder Harrison and Jesse Morgan, Jr., Terry Holt (friend of Frank and Dawn Merrell), Emily Jones (sister of Jimmy Plyler), Teresa Kesler, Glenn and Betty Sue Lowder, Patsy Lyerly and Family, Joe and Sylvia McDaniel, David Mitchell (friend of Pete Nguyen), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Dusty Morgan, Sr. Family (Dusty, Sr., Lisa, Felisaty, and Dusty, Jr.), Hong Nguyen (mother of Pete Nguyen), Marvin Nunn, Sally Simmerson (friend of Lucinda Fraley), Mary Trexler (sister of Brenda and Linda Cauble and Margaret Lyerly), Brinley Rose Upchurch, Kim Walton (friend of Lucinda Fraley), Union Fire Department #76, Haiti (recent earthquakes), Pastors Noutilla and Kalonji (Congo mission trip), and those affected by natural or political disasters.

**Confirmation Students:** Mallory Eagle, Harlem Jones, Micah Nguyen (Faith Coach), Makenzie Poole, Emme Poole, Bailey Wilhelm, and Lucas Wilhelm

**90 Days Revelation Bible Study Participants:** Genevieve Baker, Evonne Batten, Wendy Campbell, Jennifer and Scott Curlee, Tara and Don Davis, Mary Elizabeth Earnhardt, Brad and Jan Huffman, Mary and Steve Hutchens, John and Susan Knight, Betty Sue Lowder, Gladys Morgan, Lisa Morgan, Kay Morgan, Sonya Mulkey, Cathy Painter, Debbie Rinehart, Doris Shepherd, Janie and Ron Vellines