

Union Lutheran Church

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9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 7, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

*(Please stand when indicated by *)*

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

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: *“How Great Thou Art” (Kerr)*

GATHERING

- * Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness LBW p. 56
- * HYMN: “Jesus Still Lead On” LBW #341
- * Greeting (*Kyrie is omitted during the season of Pentecost.*) LBW p. 57
- * Hymn of Praise (*“Glory to God...”*) LBW p. 58-59
- * Salutation & Prayer of the Day LBW p. 62

WORD

Children’s Time: “End of another Year”

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6

¹The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O LORD God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.” ⁴And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.” ⁵And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Psalm 33:12-22 *sung in unison*

¹²Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD!*

happy the people he has chosen to | be his own!

¹³The LORD looks | down from heaven,*

and beholds all the people | in the world.

¹⁴From where he sits enthroned he | turns his gaze*
on all who dwell | on the earth.

¹⁵He fashions all the | hearts of them*
and understands | all their works.

¹⁶There is no king that can be saved by a | mighty army,*
a strong man is not delivered by | his great strength.

¹⁷The horse is a vain hope | for deliverance;*
for all its strength it | cannot save.

¹⁸Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon | those who fear him,*
on those who wait up- | on his love,

¹⁹To pluck their | lives from death,*
and to feed them in | time of famine.

²⁰Our soul waits | for the LORD;*
he is our help | and our shield.

²¹Indeed, our heart rejoic- | es in him,*
for in his holy name we | put our trust.

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,*
as we have put our | trust in you.

Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-16

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. ⁴By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. ⁶And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith. ⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. ¹³These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having

acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

* Gospel Acclamation

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* Holy Gospel: Luke 12:22-34 [35-40]

²²{Jesus} said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. ³⁰For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you. ³²Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. [³⁵Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”]

Sermon “A DISCIPLES RELATIONSHIP WITH STUFF” Pastor Heidi Punt

* HYMN: “Lord of All Hopefulness”

LBW# 469

* Apostles’ Creed

LBW p. 65

* Prayer of the Church & Sharing of the Peace

LBW p. 65-66

Offering *The Offering is received as the Lord’s Table is prepared. All loose offering will go*

towards the Social Ministry Fund. During the month of August, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on East Rowan Bible Teachers and NALC Seminary, and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.

Anthem: “Communion Prayer” (Pote)

MEAL

- * Offertory (“Let the Vineyards...”) LBW p. 66
- * Great Thanksgiving & Sanctus LBW p. 68
- * Words of Institution LBW p. 69
- * Lord’s Prayer LBW p. 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: “Lord Take My Hand and Lead Me” LBW# 333

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

SENDING

- * Benediction LBW p. 74
- * HYMN: “How Great Thou Art” LBW# 532
- * Sending

Postlude: “Jesus Still Lead On” (Hahn)

Lessons for August 14: Jeremiah 23:16-29; Psalm 119:81-88; Hebrews 11:17-31, 12:1-3; Luke 12:49-53 [54-56]

Those Serving in August

Acolytes: Bailey and Lucas Wilhelm

Altar Guild: Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

Communion Assistants: Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

Lay Readers: Jennifer and Scott Curlee

Ushers: Larry Barringer, Phil Cauble (HU), Don Davis, John Kesler,
and Wayne Vellines

Offering Counters: Tara Davis, Cathy Painter, and Ronald Vellines

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

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Union News

Sunday's Activities (August 7):

9:35 a.m. Intergenerational Summer Sunday School

The Adult Class with Frank, Dwight, Deena and Elbert continues as usual

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion

4-6pm Junior and High School Youth at Salem Lutheran (U.S)

August Newsletters are available for pick up.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Dusty Morgan Sr. on his birthday. "Thank you for all you do for us"

This Weeks' Activities:

Tuesday, August 9	6:30 p.m. 90 Days Revelation Bible Study
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	6:30 p.m. Belles & Beaus
	7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
Thursday, August 11	10am Good Timers
Saturday, August 8	8am Church Work Day

Next Sunday's Activities (August 14): HOMECOMING

9:35 a.m. Intergenerational Summer Sunday School

The Adult Class with Frank, Dwight, Deena and Elbert continues as usual

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

Guest Preacher: Pastor Jarrod Lanning

12:30pm Lunch in the Fellowship Hall. (Council will supply meat and drinks. The Congregation is invited to bring side dishes and dessert enough to share with 10-20 people)

2:00pm Mission and Social Ministry Team Meeting

4:00-5:30pm Little Lutherans (5th grade and younger)

Altar Flowers have been reserved by Kay Morgan for Sunday, August 14.

Congregational Meeting was postponed to August 21st (by Congregational vote at the July 31st meeting)

Monthly Mission Incentive: Scrub Brushes for the NALC Disaster Relief.

Our goal is to collect 300! Volunteers are needed on August 27th to help assemble the buckets at Salem Lutheran Church, Salisbury.

As of July 25, Pastor Heidi Punt's new address is: 207 Mr. Henry Road, Mocksville, NC 27028

Financial Information

Offering received Sunday, July 31: \$1,890
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, Dwight Miller, Harold Miller, Dusty Morgan, Gladys Morgan, Kay Morgan, Troy Painther, William Page, Wyatt Thompson, 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, 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 Painther, Debbie Rinehart, Doris Shepherd, Janie and Ron Vellines