

8th Sunday after Pentecost, July 18, 2021
Messiah Lutheran Church, Washburn, WI
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Prelude & Announcements Owen Polifka

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, the God of manna, miracles and mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, we confess our sin. *Silence*

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. At times we might take offense at your teachings on abundance and forgiveness for all. Where shall we turn? Turn us again to you.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the miracle worker, there is more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy: we are forgiven and loved no matter what. **Amen.**

Hymn: O Christ your heart, compassionate ELW #722

O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate

O Christ, your heart, compassionate,
Bore ev'ry human pain.
Its beating was the pulse of God;
Its breath, God's vast domain.
The heart of God, the heart of Christ,
Combined in perfect rhyme

To write God's love in human deeds,
Eternity in time.

As once you welcomed those cast down
And healed the sick, the blind,
So may all bruised and broken lives
Through us your help still find.
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep
That none may weep alone,
And help us bear another's pain
As though it were our own.

O Christ, create new hearts in us
That beat in time with yours,
That, joined by faith with your great heart,
Become Love's open doors.
We are your body, risen Christ;
Our hearts, our hands, we yield
That through our life and ministry
Your love may be revealed.

O Love that made the distant stars
Yet marks the sparrow's fall,
Whose arms, stretched wide upon a cross,
Embrace and bear us all:
Come, make your Church a servant Church
That walks your servant ways,
Whose deeds of love rise up to you,
A sacrifice of praise!

Prayer: O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Readings: Psalm 23 ELW front of hymnal
Ephesians 2:11-22, Mark 6:30-56

Sermon: Rest, Reconciliation, Peace and Healing

Hymn: Calm to the waves ELW #794 Calm to the waves.
Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still." Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.

Prayers

Passing of the Peace: Please stay seated, smile and wave!

Offering Prayer Wherever we are, however we can, may the gifts we offer bring hope to those who hunger for justice, bring healing to the grieving, bring community to those so alone in these moments. In your name, we pray. Amen.

Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer

Stay seated and use the pre-packaged holy communion elements.
Please place in receptacle when you leave. Thank you.

Post Communion Prayer Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, strengthen us to love the world as you love. In your name we pray, Amen.

Sending Blessing Wherever you are, whoever you are, never forget you are part of God's community. Share God's love this week. Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God!

As we all exit, enjoy fellowship with each other outside!