



# St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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*Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.*

**July 11, 2021 – 11:00 AM**

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**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**(Series B)**

## **WELCOME**

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, [office@stlukesmanhattan.org](mailto:office@stlukesmanhattan.org), or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

## **AS WE GATHER**

In today's Old Testament Reading, the prophet Amos, though previously a herdsman and dresser of sycamore figs, must speak, for the Lord has called him. His word of judgment is only part of the message; in other places, he calls people to choose the Lord and live and also announces a great reversal. It is dangerous being a prophet, as John the Baptist learned in the Holy Gospel. But we know the end of the story: before creation, we were destined to salvation, as we read in the Epistle. Whatever we face, our faith tells us to listen to what the Lord has to say before paying attention to any other voice. "He will speak peace to His people" (Psalm 85:8).

## **IMAGE ON THE COVER**

Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs." *Amos 7:14*

## **PRELUDE**

*Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.*

## **✠ A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE ✠**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **PRESERVICE** - “Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty” Ephesians 1:3

1, 3        Father in heaven, how we love You  
              We lift Your name in all the earth  
              May Your kingdom be established in our praises  
              As Your people declare Your mighty works

2, 4, 5, 6    Blessed be the Lord God Almighty  
              Who was, and is, and is to come  
              Blessed be the Lord God Almighty  
              Who reigns forevermore

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## **INVOCATION**

**P**    In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C**    Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Psalm 85:1-13*

**P**    Today’s psalm has two parts. The first is the plea of the psalmist to God, and the second is his announcement of God’s promised salvation. We now use Psalm 85 as we confess our sins and hear God’s forgiveness for Jesus’ sake.

LORD, You were favorable to Your land;

**C**    **You restored the fortunes of Jacob.**

**P**    You forgave the iniquity of Your people;

**C**    **You covered all their sin.**

**P** You withdrew all Your wrath;  
**C** **You turned from Your hot anger.**

**P** Restore us again, O God of our salvation,  
**C** **and put away Your indignation toward us!**

**P** Will You be angry with us forever?  
**C** **Will You prolong Your anger to all generations?**

**P** Will You not revive us again,  
**C** **that Your people may rejoice in You?**

**P** Show us Your steadfast love, O LORD,  
**C** **and grant us Your salvation.**

**We confess, Lord our God, that we have listened to the voices of Satan, the world, and our own desires. We have not loved You with all that we are and have, and we have not considered our neighbors' needs as important as our own. We can only throw ourselves on the mercy of Your gracious court and ask for forgiveness, that we may amend our sinful ways.**

**P** Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,  
for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints;  
**C** **but let them not turn back to folly.**

**P** Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him,  
**C** **that glory may dwell in our land.**

**P** Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
**C** **righteousness and peace kiss each other.**

**P** Faithfulness springs up from the ground,  
**C** **and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

**P** Yes, the LORD will give what is good,  
**C** **and our land will yield its increase.**

**P** Righteousness will go before Him  
**C** **and make His footsteps a way.**

**P** The steadfast love and faithfulness of our God are endless. For the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ and His sacrifice for all our sins, God declares us to be His own children and has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray.

**C** **Grant that we hear what You have to say now and, confident of Your promised salvation, that we speak words of comfort and peace in a world that desperately needs both;**

**P** through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

- P** God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.  
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

### **OPENING SONG** - "Jesus, Name Above All Names" Philippians 2:9

1, 2, 3, 4 Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord  
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word

5, 6 Blessed Redeemer, living Word

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## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 7:7-15

*(Amos boldly speaks for the Lord against Amaziah and Jeroboam.)*

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said,

“Behold, I am setting a plumb line  
in the midst of my people Israel;  
I will never again pass by them;

<sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,  
and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,  
and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said,

“Jeroboam shall die by the sword,  
and Israel must go into exile  
away from his land.”

<sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet’s son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. <sup>15</sup>But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 1:3-14*

*(God made our salvation certain before the creation of the world.)*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*Matthew 5:10*

**P** Alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

**C** **for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.**



## HOLY GOSPEL

Mark6:14-29

*(Herodias gets John the Baptist's head.)*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup>But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." <sup>17</sup>For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

<sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." <sup>23</sup>And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." <sup>25</sup>And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. <sup>27</sup>And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison <sup>28</sup>and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ**

*Sit*

## LAMB'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

## OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. **Offering plates** are available in the narthex as you exit.
2. Please **send** your offerings to  
St. Luke's Lutheran Church  
4801 Anderson Avenue  
Manhattan, KS 66503
3. Give through our **website**:  
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer** - Sign up through the church office.
- 5.

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Amos 7:8 – “And the LORD said to me, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A plumb line.’ Then the Lord said, ‘Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them.’ ”** In the book of Amos the Lord condemns the people for their lack of kindness, charity, and generosity toward the weak and lowly. God takes great offense at this because his activity toward us is built on kindness, charity, and generosity. He wants us to respond in kind.

## POST-SERMON SONG - “Holy Spirit”

- 1, 3      There's nothing worth more, that could ever come close  
No thing can compare, You're our living hope  
Your presence, Lord  
I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves  
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone  
Your presence, Lord

2, 4, 8      Holy Spirit you are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by your presence, Lord  
Your presence, Lord

5, 6, 7      Let us become more aware of Your presence  
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness

## **INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS, CHAIRS, AND ELDERS**

### **Elected Officers**

Chari Manry – Secretary

### **Elected Chairs**

Tiffany Manning- Children’s  
Ministry

John Johnson – Christian Outreach  
& Mission

### **Elected Elders**

Chris Deetjan

Jason Huss

Kevin Jones

Vince Redding

Doug Kraemer

Brett Richardson

Steve Williams

Tim Oelke

## **ADDRESS**

**P** Beloved in the Lord, Holy Scripture admonishes us that “all things should be done decently and in order.”

To that end, the constitution and bylaws of this congregation establish various offices, chairs, and the position of elders to which men and women are elected and appointed to serve. In so doing, the Church follows the example of the Early Christian Church as described in Acts, chapter six:

The twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”

The apostle Peter writes in his first epistle:

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## **INTRODUCTION**

**P** You have been [elected/appointed] to serve in your various positions.

## **QUESTIONING**

**P** You have been chosen to fill specific offices and positions of responsibility at St. Luke’s Lutheran Church here in Manhattan, KS. You are to work with me, the pastor, that our life together in Christ may be orderly and pleasing in His sight. You are to see that the services of God’s house are held at the proper times, that the Word of God is purely preached and taught according to the Lutheran Confessions, that the Sacraments of Christ are administered according to His institution, that provision is made for the Christian instruction of young and old, that the erring are admonished, and that discipline is maintained. You are to see that the temporal affairs of the congregation are properly administered and that proper support is provided for the workers of this congregation. You are to assist in caring for the poor and the sick, in cultivating harmony among the members, in promoting the general welfare of the congregation, and in furthering the kingdom of Christ here and throughout the world.

While holiness of life and obedience to Christ are expected of all members of the congregation, it is especially important that you, as office-bearers in His Church, show yourselves, by word and example, to be faithful to Him in service and Christian devotion. In the presence of God and of this congregation, I therefore ask you: Do you accept the office(s) entrusted to you, and do you promise faithfully to carry out your duties, trusting in the Lord and conforming yourself to His Word in accordance with the faith of the Evangelical Lutheran Church? If so, then answer: **I do.**

**R** *I do.*

### **ADDRESS TO THE CONGREGATION**

**P** Beloved in the Lord, you have heard the promises of faithfulness spoken by these men and women whom you have selected to serve as officers of St. Luke's Lutheran Church. Do you promise to support them in their work, to remember them in your prayers, and to work with them to the best of the abilities that God has given you, so that He may be glorified and His work be done in our midst? If so, then answer: We do.

**C** **We do.**

### **INSTALLATION**

**P** Brothers and sisters in Christ, I install you as officers, chairs, and elders of St. Luke's Lutheran Church in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** The almighty and most merciful God enlighten and strengthen you in your offices that you may be good and faithful stewards to the glory of His name and the good of His people.

**C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

## PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have raised up these servants for work among Your people. We humbly implore You to grant them, by Your Holy Spirit, those gifts needed for the faithful carrying out of their tasks, most especially wisdom, strength, and willing hearts. Let Your blessing rest on this congregation. Strengthen the faith, quicken the love, and enkindle the zeal of its members, that Your name may be glorified and that here and in all places under heaven the kingdom of Your Son may be advanced. We remember with thanksgiving those who have faithfully served Your people and have now completed their time of service. We pray that in the end of days we, with all Your faithful people, may hear the voice of Christ saying: “Come, you who are blessed by My Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world”; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BLESSING

**P** Go in the name of the Lord. Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. The almighty and most merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**P** Let us go to God in prayer for the Church around the world, the nations of this earth, and all who call to Him in their various needs.

Our Father in heaven, uphold and strengthen all families on the earth. Guide parents to teach their children all that You have done and promised. Grant Your blessing wherever Your people gather around Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** When the world seems to be winning and Your holy name is used without thought, put a strong confession on the lips of church leaders everywhere. Grant that they are used so that the reality of Your power and grace shine forth to dispel fear and to bring many to faith in our Savior. Lord, in your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Extend Your kingdom, O Lord, through mission efforts around the world. Open voices to speak Your word of judgment and grace, and open ears to hear Your invitation to turn and be saved. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Raise up, we pray, leaders at all levels of government who will order society according to Your will. Strengthen those who protect at home and those who defend abroad so that our nation and all others find peaceful solutions to chaos and conflict. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Hear the prayers of the poor, so that their daily needs of food, clothing, and shelter be available to them. Bless all who grow and distribute crops, all who seek to alleviate pain and suffering, and all who fund and build decent housing. Listen especially to those whose needs we know, [*including . . .*]. Give them the healing, comfort, and hope that fits Your gracious plans for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** You have graciously forgiven us for Jesus' sake; open doors of opportunity for this congregation to be a welcoming place for people burdened with their past. Grant us to tell them what You have to say to them—words of forgiveness, peace, and hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your grace for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**



## CONCLUDING COLLECT

**P** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## CLOSING - "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

1, 3, 5 I will call upon the Lord  
Who is worthy to be praised  
So shall I be saved from my enemies  
I will call upon the Lord

2, 4, 6 The Lord liveth and blessed be the Rock  
And may the God of my salvation be exalted  
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And may the God of my salvation be exalted

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