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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 14

(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, 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

Most food we make, purchase, and use has a shelf life. Some longer, some shorter, but at some point, we know goods expire. This is especially true with bread. When not used in a timely manner, bread dries out, hardens, and even molds. How different is the bread Jesus teaches of, the bread that is Himself. Continuing in John 6, He teaches the people what He came to provide, which is Himself from heaven. In our worship, in our reception of His Means of Grace, in our prayers and praise, and in our daily lives, let us rejoice in the Bread that lasts for our needs of faith and forgiveness, that we, too, may continually “taste and see that the LORD is good!” (Psalm 34:8).

IMAGE ON THE COVER

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst.” *John 6:35*

PRELUDE

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

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand

PRESERVICE SONG – “I Love Your Grace” Romans 5:21

1, 2, 4, 6 I love Your grace, I love Your mercy
I love the way You help me when I call
I love Your truth, I love the power of Your name
But You know I love Your presence most of all

3, 5 My soul takes refuge in the shadow of Your wings
Close to You is where I want to be
You are my strength, You are my God, You are my King
And all I want is what You want for me

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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.

BAPTISM SERVICE

The candidate, sponsors, and family gather with the pastor at the font.

When candidate is unable to speak for themselves, the sponsors answer the questions on their behalf.

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

C Amen.

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Matthew 28:19) In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.” (Mark 16:16a) And the apostle Peter has written, “Baptism now saves you.” (1 Peter 3:21)

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, (1 John 2:2) that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

The pastor addresses each candidate:

P How are you named?

R **Saylor Kate Fritz**

The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of each candidate while saying:

P Saylor Kate Fritz, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ✠ forehead and upon your ✠ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all (1 Peter 3:20). You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism (Ex. 15:4; 1 Cor. 10:2). Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Saylor Kate Fritz according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her, which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P From ancient times the Church has observed the custom of appointing sponsors for baptismal candidates and catechumens. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church sponsors are to confess the faith expressed in the Apostles' Creed and taught in the Small Catechism. They are, whenever possible, to witness the Baptism of those they sponsor. They are to pray for them, support them in their ongoing instruction and nurture in the Christian faith, and encourage them toward the faithful reception of the Lord's Supper. They are at all times to be examples to them of the holy life of faith in Christ and love for the neighbor.

The pastor addresses the sponsors.

P Is it your intention to serve Saylor Kate Fritz as sponsors in the Christian faith?

R ***Yes, with the help of God.***

P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.

C **Amen.**

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, *“Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.”* And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them (Mark 10:13-16).

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

LORD’S PRAYER

P We pray the Lord’s Prayer together.

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.

P The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth
and even ✠ forevermore.

C Amen.

Sit

The pastor addresses the candidate and asks the following questions:

P Saylor Kate Fritz, do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you believe 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Do you 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?

R *Yes, I believe.*

P Saylor Kate Fritz, do you desire to be baptized?

R *Yes, I do.*

The pastor pours water three times on the head of each candidate while saying:

P Saylor Kate Fritz, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life ✠ everlasting.

C Amen.

P The white garment that you wear today symbolizes that you have been clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness (Is. 61:10; Rev. 7:13, 14; 19:13; 22:14) that covers all your sin. So shall you stand without fear before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the inheritance prepared for you from the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4).

P The burning light(s) show that you have received Christ who is the Light of the world (John 8:12). Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb (Rev. 19:9) in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

P In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir (Romans 8:17) with us of all the treasures of heaven in the one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We receive you in Jesus' name as our brother in Christ, that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

C Amen. We welcome you in the name of the Lord.

Stand

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Saylor Kate Fritz the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom (Romans 8:17). We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

P Peace ✝ be with you.

C Amen.

All return to their places.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
- P** Let us pray.
- P** Lord God, defend Your Church from false teaching and error that we may continually trust in Your providential care. In all life's challenges, help us to keep firm faith as we are fed Your good gifts of life and salvation through Jesus, the bread of life, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Sit

OPENING SONG – “Jesus Saves”

- 1 Hope is here, shout the news to everyone
It's a new day, peace has come
Jesus saves
Mercy triumphs at the cross
Love has come to rescue us
Jesus saves
Hope is here, what a joyful noise we'll make
As we join with heaven's song
- 2, 4 To let all the world know that Jesus saves
Raise a shout to let all the world know that Jesus saves
- 3 Free at last, every debt has been repaid
Broken hearts can be remade
Jesus saves
Sing above the storms of life
Sing it through the darkest night
Jesus saves
Free at last, what a joyful noise we'll make
As we join with heaven's song
- 5, 7 Sing it out to let all the world know that Jesus saves
9 Raise a shout to let all the world know that Jesus saves
- 6 You save, You heal, restore, reveal Your Father's heart to us
You rose to raise us from the grave, Your Spirit lives in us
- 8 Shout it out to let all the world know that Jesus saves
Raise a shout to let all the world know that Jesus saves
- 10 Oh sing it out, we shout 'til the whole world knows His name
Sing it out, and shout for we will know Your name
Jesus, Jesus

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:1-8

(Elijah flees and the Lord feeds.)

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 34:1-8; antiphon: v. 3

- L** ³Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
C **and let us exalt his name together!**
- L** ¹I will bless the LORD at all times;
C **his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**
- L** ²My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
C **let the humble hear and be glad.**
- L** ³Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
C **and let us exalt his name together!**
- L** ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me
C **and delivered me from all my fears.**
- L** ⁵Those who look to him are radiant,
C **and their faces shall never be ashamed.**
- L** ⁶This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
C **and saved him out of all his troubles.**
- L** ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him,
C **and delivers them.**
- L** ⁸Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
C **Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!**
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L** ³Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
C **and let us exalt his name together!**

EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:17-5:2

(New life as God's children.)

¹⁷This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

John 6:51a, b

P Alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

C If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:35-51

(Jesus, the bread of life, continues teaching.)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to them, *“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”*

⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, *“I am the bread that came down from heaven.”* ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘*I have come down from heaven*’?” ⁴³Jesus answered them, *“Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

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
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3. Give through our **website**:
<https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/>
4. **Electronic Funds Transfer**
Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Ephesians 4:28 – “Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.” God gives us honest work to do so that we can be a blessing to others. That’s how so many of God’s blessings go. He gives to us so that we in turn can be a blessing to others. He graciously calls us into the midst of His own work in the world.

POST SERMON SONG - "Change My Heart, Oh God" Isaiah 64:8

1, 2, 4 Change my heart, oh God, make it ever true

6, 7 Change my heart, oh God, may I be like You

3, 5 You are the Potter, I am the clay

Mold me and make me, this is what I pray

8 May I be like You, may I be like You

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Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for all the people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

We thank You, Lord, for our daily bread, for all we need in this body and life. Grant us hearts so moved to give as You have first given to us for the needs of others and in support of the work of Your kingdom. Through Your Means of Grace, keep us always fed with the grace and mercy of Your Son, the Living Bread from heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P As Your servant Elijah fled out of fear and was fed and nourished by You, come to us in our times of fear and anxiety that we be fed with what lasts and sustains in our times of need. Be especially with those we name before You now, [*including . . .*]. Grant peace and healing, hope and health, according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P** As Jesus continued to teach the people of His day to know and see Him as He is, grant that we continually learn of Your love through Him as our Savior. Guide children, parents, families, and individuals to rejoice in Your Word here and in homes, that all be fed with Your life-giving grace through the work of Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

Individual petitions may be added.

- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

- P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; 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 upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG – “Cry of My Heart” Psalm 119:17-20

1, 2, 4, It is the cry of my heart to follow You
5, 7, 8 It is the cry of my heart to be close to You
 It is the cry of my heart to follow all of the days of my life

3 Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord
 So I can walk in Your truth
 Teach me Your holy ways, O Lord
 And make me wholly devoted to You

6 Open my eyes so I can see
 The wonderful things that You do
 Open my heart up more and more
 And make me wholly devoted to You

9, 10 All of the days of my life
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