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**The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 6, 2023**

**Divine Service, Setting One (p. 151)**

**The Preservice Music, Call to Worship & Welcome**

**Hymn of Invocation: 868 “Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun”**

**Invocation**

**Exhortation**

*LSB 151*

**Confession of Sins**

*LSB 151*

**Absolution**

*LSB 151*

**Introit**

*Psalm 105:39–43; antiphon: v. 1*

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

He spread a cloud for a covering,  
and fire to give light by night.

They asked, and he brought quail,  
and gave them bread from heaven in abundance.

He opened the rock, and water gushed out;  
it flowed through the desert like a river.

For he remembered his holy promise,  
and Abraham, his servant.

So he brought his people out with joy,  
his chosen ones with singing.

**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.**

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!

**Kyrie**

*LSB 152*

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 154*

**Proper 13 (Year A)**

**The Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 55:1-5*

<sup>1</sup>“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup>Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup>Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**The Epistle Reading**

*Romans 8:31-39*

<sup>31</sup>What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup>Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died – more than that, who was raised – who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia and Verse**

LSB 156

**The Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 14:13-21*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

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

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. <sup>15</sup>Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup>But Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup>They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." <sup>18</sup>And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup>Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup>And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. <sup>21</sup>And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

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

**Nicene Creed**

**Hymn of the Day: 545 "Word of God, Come Down on Earth"**

**Sermon**

**Offering** (Please sign the burgundy Friendship booklet and pass it to other people sitting in your pew. When completed, pass it back to the center aisle and be sure to greet the people next to you! Those sitting by the center aisle: please tear off the completed sheet and place it on the pew. Thank you!)

**Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer**

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

Father, Your steadfast love is gracious and overflowing. Teach Your people to look to You in every need; to be thankful for everything that You give them; and to know that no danger, trouble or hardship can ever separate them from Your love in Christ Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, we give You thanks that You have blessed us beyond what we deserve and given to us Your Church. Bless all pastors and church workers in their service to us in Your name, and bless those now considering and preparing for church work. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, Your Son miraculously fed the 5,000 and satisfied them. We thank You for all You provide to support our bodies and lives. Make us content with what You give, that we may not covet or turn elsewhere for what comes from Your hand alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, we are richly and daily surrounded with Your love and care. Give us eyes to see Your mercies new every morning, and grant us grateful hearts, that what we have received we may generously share with the needy and Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, daily You bless us with abundance and freedom. Bless those who defend us from our enemies, who serve us in government and who protect us in our communities. Be with our president, Congress, our governor, and our judges and magistrates, that they may discern the right path and lead us with honor and integrity. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, visit us in Your compassion. Deliver the sick from their infirmity, the troubled from their afflictions, the grieving from their sorrow and the dying from their fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. May all who cry to You receive grace according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**P** Father, Your steadfast love and mercy are forever, but our faith is daily tested and tempted. Give us strength and endurance, that we may not despair but have confidence in Your sufficient grace within Your Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord, let us seek You while You may be found, call upon You in the day of salvation and be prepared by Your mercy for the day of judgment; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn: 850 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

**Preface** *LSB 160*

**Proper Preface (Full)**

**Sanctus** *LSB 161*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** *LSB 161*

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini** *LSB 163*

**Agnus Dei** *LSB 163*

**Distribution**

**Distribution Hymn: 618 “I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”**

**Thank the Lord** *LSB 164*

**Post-Communion Collect**

**Benediction** *LSB 166*

**Hymn to Depart: 524 “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”**

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## This Week at St. James

Today (8/6) .....	Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM <b>Communion Service – 9:30 AM</b> LWML Mites Sunday Bible Study – 11:00 AM
Monday (8/7) .....	Evening Service – 6:30 PM
Tuesday (8/8) .....	ISJ Board Meeting – 6:00 PM
Friday (8/11) .....	Pastors Day Off – 9:00 AM
Saturday (8/12) .....	Men’s Breakfast – 8:30 AM
Sunday (8/13).....	Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM <b>Worship – 9:30 AM</b> Bible Study – 11:00 AM

## Looking Ahead

### Serving Today (7/30)

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Officiant .....	Deacons
Lector.....	Irene Talen
Organist.....	Beth McKay
Deacon(s) .....	Bryan Ensing / Craig Popma
Ushers.....	Jim and Nancy Spears / Jim McKay
Video/Sound/Recording.....	Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
July Altar Guild.....	Phyllis Schultz

### Serving Next Sunday (8/6)

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Lector.....	Cindy McAuliffe
Organist.....	Beth McKay
Deacon(s) .....	Dave Hood / Jerry Talen
Ushers.....	Dale and Grace Rosema / Jim McKay
Video/Sound/Recording.....	Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
August Altar Guild.....	Suellen Pfannkuch / Amanda Donigan

## Financial Discipleship: July 30 & 31, 2023

General Fund	\$3,531.00
<i>Needed each week for budget \$5,769.00 (-\$2,238.00)</i>	
ISJ Academy	\$110.00
Back to school block party	\$108.00
<b>TOTAL Contributions</b>	<b>\$3,749.00</b>

### Announcements

#### Starting the Year ... On The Right Note!

I hope you have **marked your calendar for August 15th from 6-8 pm** to attend **St. James' Back to School Block Party!** Don't forget to **sign up** so we know you are coming!

Thank you for your enthusiasm for the event. Many have asked for what we need to make the event a success. We are looking for donations of school supplies. **Here are some suggestions:** crayons, markers, scissors, rulers, erasers, pencils, pens, highlighters, water color paints, dry erase markers, white glue, glue sticks, tape, sticky notes, paper, notebooks, journals, pencil cases, 1 inch binders or other items you find that kids would think are cool!!! We also encourage the purchase of **children's socks and backpacks.**



**Thank you to the bakers** who have signed up for baking cookies for the cookie walk! There is still room for some more bakers. Last year we gave away 65 dozen cookies! If you are planning on baking, sign up indicating how many dozen you will bring. Place 6 cookies on a paper plate and wrap securely.

Finally, if you would like to **make a donation** to help cover the cost of the ice cream truck treats and the inflatable obstacle course that would be a welcomed way to support our event!



*“Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.” Psalm 96:1*

**ISJ Discounts for Members** Just as a reminder if you are member in good standing with St. James you can receive a 15% off discount for students attending the ECC program or a 30% off discount for students in kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Your family is eligible if you have children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Schaeffer.

**We Need Ushers:** We have a few people that are currently helping us with usher duties on Sundays and when we have midweek services, but we need a few more ushers. Please prayerfully consider serving in this way to help services to run as smooth as possible. Ashley will be placing a sign-up sheet for current and new ushers outside the church office.

**Newsletter:** Paper copies of the newsletter are on the table in the lobby.

## A Statement on Holy Communion

**We rejoice in the celebration of the LORD'S Supper** as the Lord Jesus comes to us in a very personal manner, giving to us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, "*A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29) It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to refrain from attending the Lord's Supper.

Members of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations, who:

- Repent of their sin;
- Believe in Jesus as their Savior;
- Trust that they are receiving, not only bread and wine, but also the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of their sins; and
- Intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live as forgiven sinners resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the newness of life;

are invited to partake of this Holy Meal with us. We request that ALL guests who desire to commune, kindly speak to the Pastor before the service.

If you prefer to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion, please do so. We ask that you cross your arms over your chest so that Pastor knows you want to receive a blessing.

**NOTE:** We provide gluten-free communion host and non-alcohol grape juice. Just let Pastor and/or the assistants know when you come for Holy Communion.