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**10th Sunday
after Pentecost**

*Welcome to
worship! Please
complete a
Connection Card
and place the card
in the offering
plate.
Thank you!*

In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *Counting Every Blessing* **Jeremy & Kristen Skrenes**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Water of life, water of birth, water of healing —

thanks be to God.

We praise you, O God, for waters that gather and name us.

We thank you, O God, for waters that wash and claim us.

We honor you for baptism,

a river of blessing, bright as crystal,

flowing in from our many homelands,

flowing in and around this town.

We praise you for Jesus, our Savior.

By his cross,

our tree of life,

you are rooting us in mercy.

By baptism into his death and life,

you are calling us, refreshing us for the work we do together.

Bless the waters of this place:

Lake Superior and Teal Lake.

Lake Michigamme, the Dead River, and the Forestville Basin,

the many inland lakes and streams.

Bless the saints who have gone before us,

newborn servants of the crucified one.

Bless the river of their stories

embodying the Word for us, enlivening our faith.

Water of death and resurrection:

Renew us!

Water flowing for the healing of the world:

Heal us!

Water of hope reborn:

Stir us to act!

Blessing, honor, and glory be to the Lamb, alive and reigning with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever. **Amen**

GATHERING SONG *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

#461

God invites Israel to a great feast at which both food and drink are free. God also promises to make an everlasting covenant with all peoples, with promises that previously had been limited to Israel. As David was a witness to the nations, these nations shall now acknowledge the ways in which God has glorified Israel.

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
(Ps. 145:16)

This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.

2 promises.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

CHOIR ANTHEM

Sing With Joy

Choir

WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55: 1-5

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

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21

⁸The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹**LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.**

¹⁶You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷**You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.**

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

¹⁹**You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.**

²⁰You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

²¹**My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

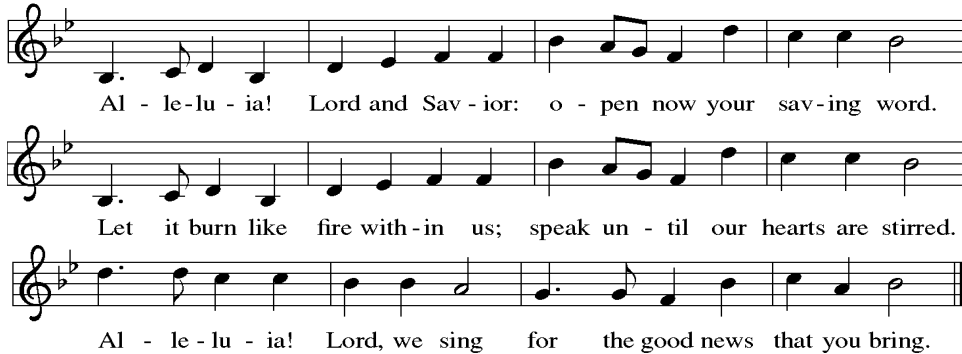
SECOND READING: Romans 9: 1-5

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—²I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Word of God.

Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
 Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
 Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL: Matthew 14: 13-21

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

SERMON

Pastor Breanne Kinnunen

HYMN OF THE DAY *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

#712

HOLY BAPTISM *(Sunday)*

pp. 227-231

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

You gather your church together by the Holy Spirit. Inspire all the baptized to proclaim your abundant love throughout the world. Guide us in the mission of the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You cherish your creation, from the smallest microbe to the largest mountain. Protect fragile ecosystems, send favorable weather, supply food and water to nourish creatures, and raise us up to care for all you have created. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You desire peace and justice in the world. Instill within all political leaders your desire, support the work of international peace organizations, and provide relief for those in war-torn areas. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his com passion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.

*Renew our lives
that we may
welcome and
care for one
another and
that we may
live and serve
within the
greater com-
munity of
Negaunee and
the world,
witnessing to
others your
abundant love,
grace, and
welcome.*



*We
believe
that the
true body and
blood
of Jesus Christ
is in/with/
under the
bread
and wine.*

You comfort those who are hurting. Accompany those who are alone, heal those who are sick, provide for all who hunger or thirst, console the bereaved, bring joy to the sorrowful, and attend to all who call on you. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You place us within communities for mutual support and love. Reveal yourself to us in worship, fellowship, and ministry with our neighbors. Provide for feeding ministries and food banks in our area, that we share your abundance with all who hunger. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You have placed before us examples of faithful living who have witnessed to your promises throughout time and space. Rouse us by their lives of service and dedication to be your hands and feet in this world. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

(Please be seated.)

MEAL

OFFERING

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

OFFERING SONG *Praise and Thanksgiving (v. 1, 4)*

#688

OFFERING PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky, **you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(Please be seated.)

COMMUNION

Lamb of God

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1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

All baptized Christians who Believe this true presence are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Parents, please assist your child(ren) if you wish them communed.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Come, Let Us Eat

#491

We Come to the Hungry Feast

#479

(Please stand as you are comfortable.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY

Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: As Mary set out to visit Elizabeth before she gave birth to her son, bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son we may all know the hope of your promised coming in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF August 6—13, 2023

***THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are in honor of the recent wedding of Aaron and Kaylie Skrenes.

***BAPTISM: WE WELCOME INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD:** *Iris Lily Williams*, daughter of Lesli Ann (Hicks) Williams and Casey Matthew Williams. The sponsors are Derrick Wakefield, Carlos Colon, Andrea Edsall and Rachel Edsall. The proud grandparents are Debbie & Pete Hicks.

***FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour committee for August is FORTUNE LAKE / YOUTH. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for Coffee hour. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact **Stacy McEachern (906) 361-9123** with your date & any item you wish to bring. Help in the kitchen is also appreciated.

***"GOT SNEAKERS??"** We are collecting used ATHLETIC SNEAKERS which are then sent to a company that reuses those that are still usable and recycles those that aren't. There is currently a bag in the Stewardship corner at Immanuel Lutheran Church where they can be deposited. Thank you for any you may have to donate.

***SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CONVERSATION** Each Sunday morning at 11:00 am, a group meets for a discussion on the Bible lessons from the morning's worship service. They will be meeting in the Youth Room (downstairs) for 1 hour. A group has volunteered to lead this group. Today's leader is *TBD*. The group continues meeting each Sunday until further notice.

+OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR POSITION: This full-time, in-office position is the primary administrative support for the Executive Staff of the Northern Great Lakes Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America located in Marquette. Applicants should have strong organizational skills, ability with both digital and written communication tools, and experience in general office management. Compensation is commensurate with experience. For a full position description, go to www.nglsynod.org. Send resume and cover letter to ngls@nglsynod.org or to 1029 N. Third Street, Suite A, Marquette, MI 49855.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Pray For: *Lori Bell, Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Dan Hendrickson, Michael Holman, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Stephanie Penhale, (The family of) Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Tim Romback, Louise Spickerman, Bob Walker.*

Our Shut-ins: *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, June Jarvi, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Dolores Reichel, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.* (NOTE: Betty Lukkarinen & Leo Nirva are now in Eastwood Nursing Center. They would appreciate visitors occasionally.)

Members in the Armed Service: *Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Spencer Harvala, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Tanner Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.*



Baptism



VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Bre Kinnunen*

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: *Connie Scanlon*

Worship Services: Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday @ 6:00 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-12 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)



ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

- 9:30 am GREETERS - *Dean Patron*
 - *Walter Scanlon*
- 6:00 pm GREETERS - *Katie Ritzenhein*
 - *Tom Johnson*
- 9:30 am USHERS - *Dean Patron*
 - *Walter Scanlon*
- 6:00 pm USHERS - *Katie Ritzenhein*
 - *Tom Johnson*
- 9:30 am LECTOR - *Renee Prusi*
- 6:00 pm LECTOR - *Sheila Meier*
- 9:30 am COMM ASST'S - *Vicki Lempinen*
 - *Mike Lempinen*
 - *Alice Mutkala*
- 6:00 pm COMM ASST - *Sheila Meier*
- 9:30 am Tech Team - *Tyler Moore*

(Communion Set-up for August is *Paulette Patron*)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 6 - August 13, 2023



YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

10th Sunday after Pentecost

- Sunday** - 9:30 am - Worship Services - Baptism
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 11:00 am - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation
(Today's leader is *Terry Cathcart*)
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

- Monday** - 6:00 pm - Worship Service

- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study

- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting
- 2:15 pm - Eastwood Worship Service
- 2:30-4:00 pm - Funeral Luncheon (DeWitt Family)

- Friday** **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meet

- Saturday** - 12:00-5:00 pm - Hall Reservation

11th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 11:00 am - Sunday Morning Bible Conversation
(Today's leader is *TBD*)
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)

AUGUST'S MONTHLY MISSION

IN AUGUST, we will focus on Scholarships for Liberian (Africa)

Children, which is educational in nature. We all take education for granted. We pay our taxes and all of our children receive a high school education with no additional charges to the parents. Parents in Liberia pay for their children's education. Any kind of financial crisis for the family leads to the kids dropping out of school.

Pastor Albert (former Pastor of Mitchell Methodist Church here in Negaunee) has personally identified three children who need help with education expenses:

- Danlette is the daughter of a Christian minister who has passed away and is still in school. Her mom, Promise, is struggling to meet the educational needs of three children.
- Simeon has completed the lower grades but cannot continue because his father was laid off by his mining company. Simeon has dropped out of school because the funds to pay the school authorities are not available.
- Obey is an extended family member of pastor Albert. His dad passed away six years ago leaving an uneducated mom with five children. He is continuing his education beyond high school.



Any help with education expenses will be helpful. We have all heard the expression, *"A mind is a terrible thing to waste"*. Additional information regarding these families is available by contacting Pastor Albert Barchue, Salem United Methodist Church, 23 Mable Street, P.O. Box 438, Pigeon, MI 48755, *"Liberian student-Albert"* in the comment line (if you wish to send a check directly to Albert).

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, use August's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift.

**Thank you for giving \$ 931.00 in July to
Habitat for Humanity for Marquette County.
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity!
Thank you!**

