



A Welcoming Christ-Centered Community

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We are glad that you are here and hope that you will be enriched by this time of worship. In this unprecedented time, we are exploring worship in new ways and ask for your input and patience. If you are new with us today – welcome!

PENTECOST 9, JULY 25, 2021



A B U N D A N C E 

Welcome

Gathering Song

“God Is Here Today” (ACS 993) sing 2x

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

First Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44

Read by Reis C

⁴²A man came from Baal-Shalishah, carrying twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe corn, along with some ears of new corn. “Give it to the people to eat,”
⁴³Elisha said. “How can I serve it to one hundred people?” Gehazi asked. But Elisha replied, “Give it to the people to eat. For this is what Yhwh says, ‘They will eat and have some left over.’”
⁴⁴Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of God.

Second Reading

Psalms 145:10-18

Read by David A

¹⁰All your creatures will praise you, Yhwh, and your holy people will bless you. ¹¹They will tell of the glory of your reign and speak of your strength. ¹²You make known to all humankind your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your reign. ¹³Your reign is a reign for all the ages, and your dominion endures from generation to generation. ¹⁴You lift up those who are falling and raise up those who are oppressed. ¹⁵The eyes of all look to you in hope, and you give them their food in due season. ¹⁶You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. ¹⁷Yhwh, you are just in all your ways and loving toward all that you have created. ¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you, all who call upon you in truth.

Children's Time – FLIP Team

Gospel Song

“Holy, Holy, Holy” (ELW 473)

Gospel Reading

John 6:1-21

¹Some time later, Jesus crossed over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee—that is, Lake Tiberius—
²and a huge crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by healing sick people. ³Jesus climbed the hillside and sat down there with the disciples. ⁴It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. ⁵Looking up, Jesus saw the crowd approaching and said to Philip, “Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?”
⁶Jesus knew very well what he was going to do, but asked this to test Philip’s response. ⁷Philip answered, “Not even with two hundred days’ wages could we buy loaves enough to give each of them a mouthful!”
⁸One of the disciples, Simon Peter’s brother Andrew, said, ⁹“There’s a small boy here with five barley loaves and two dried fish. But what good is that for so many people?”
¹⁰Jesus said to them, “Make the people sit down.” There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand families sat down. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting there; he did the same with the fish, giving out as much as they could eat. ¹²When the people had eaten their fill, Jesus said to the disciples, “Gather up the leftover pieces so that nothing gets wasted.”
¹³So they picked them up and filled twelve baskets with the scraps left over from the five barley loaves. ¹⁴The people, seeing this sign that Jesus had performed, said, “Surely this is the Prophet who was to come into the world.”
¹⁵Seeing that they were about to come and carry him off to crown him as ruler, Jesus escaped into the hills alone. ¹⁶As evening approached, the disciples went down to the lake. ¹⁷They got into their boat, intending to cross to Capernaum, which was on the other side of the lake. By this time it was dark, and Jesus had still not joined them; ¹⁸moreover, a stiff wind was blowing and the sea was becoming rough. ¹⁹When they had rowed three or four miles, they caught sight of Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water. They were frightened, ²⁰but he told them, “It’s me. Don’t be afraid.”
²¹They were about to take him into the boat, but suddenly the boat was ashore at their destination.

Sermon - Rev. Trish Schmermund

Pastor: Rev. Trish Schmermund (she, her, hers)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Lindsey Jorgensen-Skakum (they, them, theirs) *on parental leave*

Musician: Kathy Robinson (she, her, hers)

Council President: Toby Schneider (he, him, his)

Ministers: Every Member

Video Editor/Live Streaming: Anton Chell

Song of the Day "We Are Called" (ELW 720)

Creed

The Prayers

Let us pray to God through Jesus Christ on behalf of our church on Treaty 6 Territory, the world, and one another.

Prayer Song "Hear Our Prayer" (ELW 178)

Dear God, thank you for our Good Shepherd. Thank you for his compassion and mercy. We adore and bless you for your overflowing loving kindness to sinners like us. You have rooted and grounded the church in the life-giving body of your dear Son. Use it to feed, heal, teach, and draw many people to the feet of Jesus Christ. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

Shelter and bless all who suffer greatly for following Jesus. By their faithful endurance and charity, soften the hearts of their enemies. Bring many to repentance and salvation. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

Help us reflect on our nation, its history, its institution and this church with honesty, humility, repentance and gratitude, united in our vision and determined to be more just, equitable, inclusive and responsive to our neighbors in need. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

Creator God, we marvel in awe of the expansiveness of your creation. Your margins of diversity are boundless, and for that, we thank you. Each of our beloved LGBTQ2SIA+ siblings, people of every nation and race are beautifully and wonderfully made, all in Your image. Teach us to love people, just as they are, and embrace their identity fully, as you have embraced us. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

Today we wish to lift up our prayers to you for the children and the youth of our city and of our neighbours in Fist Nation communities. We dare this day to dream for their futures. We dare to dream that their future will be wonderful. That they will all be able to lead full lives, that they will have a wide variety of good experiences over the course of their lives and grow up to do things that will amaze us and amaze them. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

God, in silence we pray for those known to us today by name who are especially in need of your healing touch at this time, especially we pray for Clarence M, Tom d, Cody M, Ramon J, Tonia & Jason, Susan K, Tim, Charlotte, Diana M, Pr. Richard R, Darren F, Diane R, Elijah P, William, Daryl A, Eva H, Joanne & Bill and family, Brent G, Nancy P, Teyler D, the Chell family, and those on our hearts. Reveal your power to heal and to save. God, who is near to us, **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the health and well-being of the people of this place, Holy One. Guide us, Heavenly Spirit, guide us on a new and different path, a path of love, of understanding, of compassion and of commitment to serving others, loving all these, every one, known to us, and known only to you, all who you love so much. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering Prayer

God of wonder, we are amazed at your enduring presence with us in all things. By your generosity we are cared for and empowered to tend all creation. Unbind attitudes of scarcity and call us forth to generosity. To you we give thanks for all that we have and all we are able to return to you. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer traditional sung

Community Life

Blessing

Sending Song

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" (ELW 767)

Dismissal

Go in Peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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I HAVE NOT SEEN YOUR FACE FOR A WHILE

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We will share them in worship during
Community Life



HOLY SPIRIT PLAYGROUND RENOVATION

ERCCA (Edmonton Region Child Care Assn) is raising money to renovate the play-ground space to make an outdoor classroom environment

Two ways to donate:

- Directly online to ERCCA via canadahelps.org
- Donate to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church with your offering designated to 'Playground' (cash/cheques or call church office with credit card)



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We'd love to put it to work for our FLIP Team!

