

**St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church**  
1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213  
**August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**8:30 a.m. Service**

Prelude

*Musette* by J.S. Bach  
*Hunter's Chorus* by C.M. v. Weber  
Daniel Zello, Violin

Welcome to Worship

*Gathering*

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Call to Worship

**#643 We Are All One in Christ**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

We come to worship you today.

**We come to sing, pray, and listen.**

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness; come before the Lord with joyful songs.**

Gathering Song

**#524 What Is This Place**

Opening Litany for the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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Apostolic Greeting

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peace be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

## Word

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**I say, “You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;**

Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.”

**Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!**

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

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Gospel Acclamation

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## Gospel Response

The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

Sermon

Pastor Ann Williams

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Hymn of the Day

**#805 Lead On, O King Eternal!**

*(Prayer Cards will be collected during the Hymn)*

Apostles' Creed

Inside back cover if the Hymnal

## Prayers of Intercession

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and all God's creation.

...We pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the  
power of your Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Sharing the Peace of Christ

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each  
other. The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Thanksgiving

*(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

*Long, Long Ago* by T.H. Bayly

Daniel Zello, Violin

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Offertory

**page 219, Salvation Belongs to Our God**

Offertory Prayer

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your good and gracious gifts, we thank you now and always. Accept the gifts we  
bring this day. They are products of our faith's burning fire. Through Jesus Christ  
our Lord.

**Amen.**

Lord's Prayer page 221 (Contemporary Version)

**Our Father in heaven,**  
**hallowed be your name,**  
**your kingdom come,**  
**your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**  
**Give us today our daily bread.**  
**Forgive us our sins**  
**as we forgive those who sin against us.**  
**Save us from the time of trial**  
**and deliver us from evil.**  
**For the kingdom, the power,**  
**and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## *Sending*

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Today's Highlights

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Blessing

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**With God's help we will.**

The blessings of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit ✠, be upon you, and remain with you forever.

**Amen.**

Sending Song

**#525 You Are Holy**

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

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Postlude

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Call to Worship

*Just As I Am* - John Malloy, Guitar

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Order of Confession and Forgiveness

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

**If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

God calls his children to be faithful, despite the hardship, despite the cost. Most merciful God,

**We confess our weakness and our sinfulness, our inability to seek your will or follow in your ways. We follow our own dreams and are misled by tempting voices. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and strengthen us. Set our feet upon the way that you would have us go.**

Look to Jesus, the perfecter of our faith. For the sake of the joy that was set before him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. For his sake, your sins are forgiven. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, God gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

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## Prayer of the Day

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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*Meal**(Please be seated)*

Musical Offering

*Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen*

Dennis McBride and Myron Olson

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Offertory Response

**As the Grains of Wheat**

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

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Great Thanksgiving

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Sanctus

**page 173**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

**page 173 (Traditional Version)**

### Invitation to Communion

Jesus said: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."

**Taste and see that the Lord is good!**

Lamb of God

**page 174, Lamb of God**

Communion Hymn

**#474 Bread of Life from Heaven**

Post-Communion Response

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now just received, strengthen you and keep you in God's love and grace.

**Amen.**

Post Communion Canticle

**Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise**

Thank-ful hearts and\_ voi - ces raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.

Let all who seek the\_\_ Lord re - joice and\_\_ bear Christ's ho - ly name.

Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with

shouts of thank - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you came to bring fire to the earth. It is kindled among us at this table, in this place. Give to us both the ability and the determination to carry it with us into our lives and into your world. Make us your torchbearers. You are the Lord forevermore.

**Amen.**

## Sending

### Sending of Communion

Let us pray. O God of tender compassion, as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our sisters and brothers who are sick, homebound, or imprisoned. May they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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