

# SAN MARCOS LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 4, 2024

Welcome to worship!

Throughout the service, you will be invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able and as you feel comfortable. Offering plates will not be passed during the service; if you are moved to give a monetary gift this morning, you may place it in the silver offering plate at the back of the center aisle, or you can hand it to an usher. Details about giving electronically are included toward the end of this bulletin.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, for it is Christ who does the inviting. An usher will let you know when it is your row's turn to come forward. Bread, gluten-free wafers, red wine, and white juice are all available. Please tell the pastor you need a gluten-free wafer when it is your turn.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** 

'Let Us Break Bread Together', arranged by Malcolm Kogut

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS- The congregation is invited to stand, sit, or kneel, as able.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.* 

God, our provider,

help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways

of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:

you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# Shout to the Lord



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# FIRST READING

# Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

# SECOND READING

# Ephesians 4:1-16

I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high, he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) He himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Acclamation Celtic Alleluia



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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The holy gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' "Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON** 

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# You Satisfy the Hungry Heart Gift of Finest Wheat



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Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat i tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
- 4 The mys-t'ry of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor-tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self-less let us be,



in your name in

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997

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Music: BICENTENNIAL, Robert E. Kreutz, 1922-1996

serve each

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# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The assembly is invited into prayer:* 

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. (A brief silence)

After each petition, "Merciful God, receive our prayer."

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. Amen.

# PEACE.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

# And also with you.

The congregation greets one another with the words "peace be with you" or "God's peace" and a sign of peace—a wave, a handshake, a peace sign, etc.

#### MEAL

SPECIAL MUSIC

'Pasacalle sobre el Cant dels Ocells', arranged by Carlotta Ferrari

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal.

Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING- The congregation is invited to stand, as able.

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.

The presiding minister continues:

Eternal God,

in the abundance of your love

you have caused all things to be;

from dust and spirit, you have woven our humanity;

in all our wanderings, you never cease to call us to fullness of life.

You gave us Jesus, son of Mary,

the bread of life, broken for the world;

he fed us and feasted with us;

he healed us and suffered for us;

his dying and rising have set us free

from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.

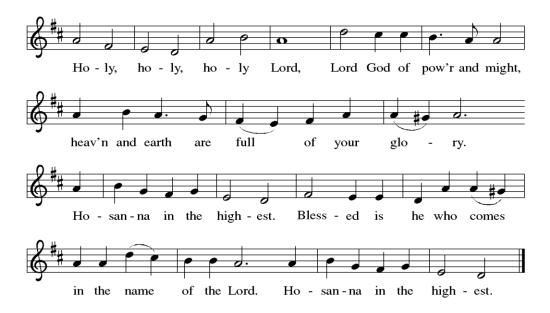
Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished, and called,

with all who hunger for your kingdom

and will not rest until all your children are fed,

with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages,

we take up the song of your praise:



# **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon these gifts,

that these fragile, earthly things

may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ;

who, on the night that he was betrayed,

gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said:

"This is my body, which is given for you.

Do this to remember me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying:

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me."

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope

that one day death and greed will be no more

and people without number

will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,

by whom and with whom and in whom

in the unity of the Holy Spirit

all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, forever and ever. Amen.

Steven Shakespeare, Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Church Publishing (New York, NY: 2009).

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

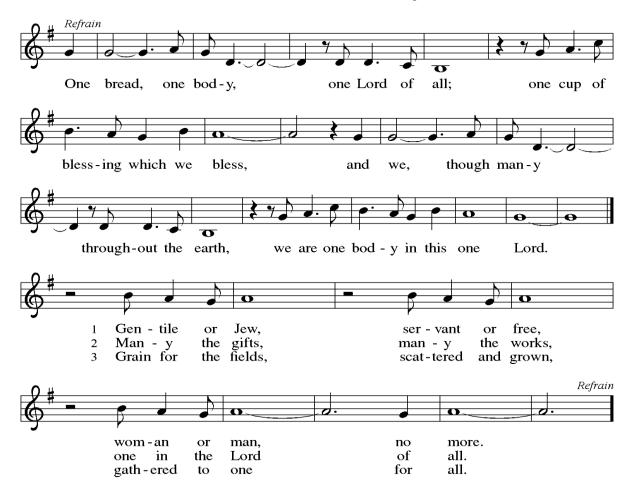
Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

# **DISTRIBUTION**

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal # 496

# One Bread, One Body



Text: John Foley, sj, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sa

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# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.** 

# **SENDING**

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

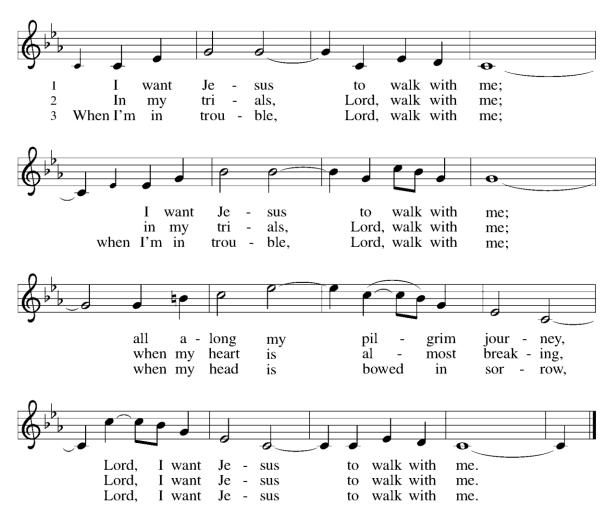
# **BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

SENDING SONG- The congregation is invited to stand, as able.

Hymnal #325

# I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



Text: African American spiritual

Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

We invite you to remain seated quietly for the postlude. If you exit during the postlude, please refrain from conversation until you are outside of the sanctuary. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Luther Hall immediately following the service.

POSTLUDE

'Welcome Happy Morning' by David Paxton

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# WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Presider: Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth Assisting Minister: Anne Voth Musicians: Justin Hershey Lector: Doris Payne

Ushers: Sharon Scott-Gonzalez and Hector Gonzalez

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Are you new to San Marcos Lutheran Church? Pastor Casey would love the opportunity to get to know you, and has put together a short, confidential, online form. Your smartphone's QR reader can take you to it using this code.

If technology isn't your cup of tea (or if it just isn't working for you today) there are cream-colored cards in the pew in front of you, which you can fill out and put in the silver offering plates, hand to an usher, or hand to Pastor Casey after the service. We're glad you're here!



Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers: The Arney family and daughter, Dawn, Christine Buma, Jim Cavolt, Sue Check, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Susan Kent, Gary Kloehn, Laura, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson, Alvar Roy, Larry Serafin, Roy Smith, Vern Soderstrom, Dawn Steele, Megan Toler, Nick Torres, Kelly Van Jen. Let us pray for our homebound members: Dottie Black, Beverly Gift, Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community. Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support!

You can contribute in any of the following ways:

- ➤ Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays;
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
- > Set up a recurring donation through your bank;
- Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Tithe.ly, our online giving portal. Visit <a href="mailto:sanmarcoslutheran.org/give">sanmarcoslutheran.org/give</a> to get started.

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Our new website and giving platform is live! When you visit <a href="mailto:sanmarcoslutheran.org">sanmarcoslutheran.org</a> next, you'll notice that it looks a little different. (Thanks to council member Devin Hogan for the beautiful photography of our campus!) These changes are part of an administrative streamlining that Pastor Casey has been working on for several months, and will make it easier for visitors to find the information about us they need. If your financial support for the congregation is made online, you'll need to migrate your PayPal or Vanco transactions over to Tithe.ly, our new giving platform. Information about making that change was in the July newsletter and will be in the August newsletter as well, but you can contact Pastor Casey if you have any questions about getting set up.

**Ralph's Community Rewards**- if you shop at Ralph's Grocery store please link your Rewards card to San Marcos Lutheran Church. Ralph's will then make a donation to SMLC based on your purchases there. It doesn't cost anything and is super easy to sign up. Just go to Ralphs.com, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Ralph's Community Rewards, search for San Marcos Lutheran Church and click the link.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Rob and Lisa O'Carroll will host a pool party at their home on Sunday, August 18 from 1pm-5pm. All are Welcome!

**ORGAN FESTIVAL CONCERT** Seven of us so enjoyed the July 22nd concert at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion at Balboa Park. Join us on August 12th when David Ball, organist at Christ (formerly Crystal) Cathedral, will be joined by two sopranos and a (French) horn player.

We will carpool from church on Monday, August 12th, at 6:15pm. Free parking is available in front of the Pavilion. If you've never been, here's a chance to go with friends and experience this magnificent organ, given to the City of San Diego by the Spreckels (Sugar) family. The first organ concert was performed in December of 1914! If you would like to attend, please contact Doris Payne, <a href="dorispayne3247@gmail.com">dorispayne3247@gmail.com</a> or call at 760-653-3026. If you drive an SUV, we'd love it if you would drive.

**ALL SAINTS FOOD PANTRY** Summertime food items would be especially welcome: boxes of instant pasta salads, tuna, mayonnaise, lemonade mix. We never know what will be available from Brother Benno's and the Food Bank, but pasta of any kind, rice, dried beans, cereal, boxed milk are always welcome. We will be distributing at All Saints Episcopal Church in Vista - on the 3rd and 4th Saturdays of the month. If you'd like to help some time when we're there (10:30-12:30), please contact Doris Payne, 760-653-3026 or <a href="dorispayne3247@gmail.com">dorispayne3247@gmail.com</a>. It works best with six volunteers, so we like having a rotation list. Thanks for your ongoing support of this vital ministry.

**SMLC Children's Center has openings for the Fall**. The school year starts August 12<sup>th</sup>. Call or email the Center Director, Ann Leong for more information. 760-727-0326 or preschool@sanmarcoslutheran.org