

Welcome to Saint Michael Lutheran Church & School

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024 + 11:00 am

MORNING SONG

(without Holy Communion)

(* = please stand)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** *(concluding with Psalm 132)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Let us enter into God's holy presence with sincere hearts and confess our sin to Him, and then let us receive His grace with true faith in the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *(We pause for a time of silent reflection and confession).* Almighty God. . .

C: Our Heavenly Father, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, both by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. For all this we justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. But for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us and is now risen from the dead, have mercy on us, forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Having heard your sincere confession, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word I announce God's grace to you, and in His place and at His command I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

A: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good!

C: Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!

A: For the Lord has chosen Zion;

C: He has desired it for His dwelling place:

A: "This is my resting place forever;

C: Here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

A: I will abundantly bless her provisions;

C: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

A: Her priests I will clothe with salvation,

C: And her saints will shout for joy."

A: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

C: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*** SONG OF PRAISE**

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Amos 7:7–15

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians. 1:3–14

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*** RESPONSE** (*a portion of Psalm 145*)

A: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,

C: And His greatness is unsearchable.

A: On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,

C: And I will declare Your greatness.

*** HOLY GOSPEL:** Mark 6:14-29

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*** APOSTLES' CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

BIBLE MESSAGE

MUSICAL OFFERING

*** PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(Petitions conclude: "Lord, in Your mercy," to which all respond: "**Hear our prayer**").*

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

C: 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.

*** ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*** BLESSING**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

*** CLOSING SONG**

POSTLUDE

SERVING TODAY (7/14)

Presiding Minister (P): Rev. Daniel Maske
Assisting (A) & Preaching: Rev. Dr. Paul Naumann
Praise Team: Jane Connon
Lay Minister: Matt Heintz, Rich Conklin
Ushers: Jesse Hogue
Greeters: Dave & Linda Johnson
Lector: Erik West
Children's Message: Pastor Maske

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (7/21)

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Jane Connon
Matt Heintz, Rich Conklin
Jesse Hogue
Sue Keltsch, Dar Swift
Kathy Taylor
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Amos 7:7–15

This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said, “Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; ⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.” ¹⁰ Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said, “‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’” ¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.” ¹⁴ Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, “I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. ¹⁵ But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’”

Ephesians 1:3–14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Mark 6:14–29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him.” ¹⁵ But others said, “He is Elijah.” And others said, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.” ¹⁷ For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.” ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²² For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you.” ²³ And he vowed to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom.” ²⁴ And she went out and said to her mother, “For what should I ask?” And she said, “The head of John the Baptist.” ²⁵ And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” ²⁶ And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷ And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸ and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.