



7th weekend after Pentecost
July 7/8, 2018
First Lutheran Church, ELCA
“GENEROUS LIVING”

Gathering Music

Welcome/Announcements

Song of Beginning "We Praise You, O God" #870

Call to Worship

L: We come to worship God in the name of the Creator, Son and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen!

L: We gather as the people of God, called by the gospel of Jesus Christ to a life of witness and service.

All: We are the people of God in this world. We are the church of Christ on earth. We are people moved by the Holy Spirit to build a world of light and hope.

Song "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive" #605

We Confess Our Need for Real Life

All: God, you give us life but we choose not to live. We enjoy the wonder of your creation, but fail to acknowledge you as Creator. We seek the full pleasure life has to offer, but we feel like we have been shortchanged. God, we confess we separate ourselves from you by our thoughts, words and actions. We desire life to be what it was meant to be. We are in need of a Savior. God, forgive our sin and give us real life in you.

We Hear the Words of New Life

L: Our God is the God of life. Our Creator God brought the world into being, created each of us, and desires only the best for us. God knows of our sin and has provided for our deliverance through Jesus- God with us. Jesus gave up his life so that we **might live. Jesus' death was for our sin and for our daily relationship with God.** Our God is the God of life. As we trust God, our life is made new and we can live together with God for now and throughout eternity. Praise God for the gift of life.

All: Praise God!

Gospel Acclamation "As Rain from the Clouds" #508 vs. 3

Holy Word Romans 5:1-5
Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon

Song "As Saints of Old" #695

Sharing the Peace

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Prayer

L: We pray together...

All: God of all creation, we are yours and all we have belongs to you. Accept these offerings and bless their use in your work among us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

God's Giving Continues...

Lord's Prayer

Sharing The Meal

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

Closing Song "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" #767

Blessing

Sending

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Those who Shared Their Time & Talents Saturday

Reader:

Communion: Roger & Kathy Hollman, Steve Johnson

Usher: Mackenzie Randall

Greeter: Jake & Teresa Atkinson

Coffee:

Altar: JoAnn Thompson, Jill Braaten

Sound/Screen: Julie Deschneau

Video: Ric Wallace

Those who Shared Their Time & Talents Sunday

Reader: Mary Jane Rasmussen

Communion: Mary Jane Rasmussen, Deb Grimley, Becky Ehling

Usher: Pat & Cindy Ebert, Russ Johnson, Rick Janka

Greeter: Avis Swan, Arlis Meincke

Coffee: Jennifer & Jim Cobb

Altar: JoAnn Thompson, Jill Braaten

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