

Unity Evangelical Lutheran Church

*A community of disciples for Jesus Christ, dedicated to glorifying God
through worship, spiritual growth and service to others.*

Sunday, July 11, 2021
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Service of the Word

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: **Amen**

*GATHERING SONG

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

ELW 645

*APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

***KYRIE**

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***CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

Glory to God

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***PRAYER OF THE DAY** *(in unison, see insert)*

WORD

READINGS *(See Insert)*

FIRST LESSON: Amos 7:7-15

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 85:8-13 *(read responsively)*

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 1:3-14

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 6th chapter

C: **Glory to you, Oh Lord.**

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

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Video Sermon

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Let Justice Flow like Streams

ELW 717

***THE APOSTLES' CREED** *(in unison)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(See insert)*

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

Salvation Belongs to Our God

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*THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

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P: O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: **Amen.**

*THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

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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.

SENDING

*BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

*SENDING SONG

Lead On, O King Eternal!

ELW 805

*DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation Stands
Congregational Responses are **in bold**

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Worship 10:30am

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS. “THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HAS MADE...” We will rejoice and be glad in it.” Thank you for choosing Unity as your place to worship this morning. If you would like more information concerning the ministries and outreach of Unity church in the community please speak to one of the Ushers.

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God by Unity congregation.

PLEASE SIGNUP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS Next available dates are August 1,8,22.

PRAYER CONCERNS

MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL CONCERNS: Bob Raby, Shirley Shannon, Lora Childers, Jewell Coulter, Glenn and Peggy Davis, Bill & Farrell Gibbs, Dave Shannon, Kathy Whisnant, Sue Heavner.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Dave Shannon, Candyce Webb, Kenneth Webb, Bette Killian.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Tyler Prince, Debbie Hutchinson, Wayne Sipe, Paul Kanipe, Brenda Durst, Katherine Jones, Louise Whitener, Brian Childers, Glenda Martin, Wes Starnes, Terry Jenkins, Michael Fox (Farrell Gibbs’ grandson), Edith Michael, Judy Houser, Lesa Fox, Dan Drinkard, Diane Futrelle, Gay Apple, Cort Hollar, Nancy Lang, Pam Beeson, all public safety personnel and military personnel.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING: Gifts and graces of the Unity Lutheran Family.

SERVING TODAY, July 11

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| Presiding Minister: | Video Sermon |
| Organist: | Pre-Recorded |
| Reader/Assisting Minister: | Timita Stoker |
| Acolyte: | Ruie Jones |
| Usher: | Ralph Adcock |
| Counters: | Adrian & Ruie Jones |
| Altar/Narthex Care: | Ruie Jones |
| Property Contact: | Adrian Jones |

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, July 18

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| Presiding Minister: | Video Sermon |
| Organist: | Pre-Recorded |
| Reader/Assisting Minister: | Bea Isenhour |
| Acolyte: | Ruie Jones |
| Ushers: | Ralph Adcock |
| Counters: | Bea & Steve Isenhour |
| Altar/Narthex Care: | Ruie Jones |
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