

IN THE NAME OF GOD, WELCOME to the worship and life of this community of faith. The Christian faith, while very personal, always directs us to the life we experience in community, giving and receiving, speaking and hearing, eating and praying and . . . The two lessons today from II Kings and John present us with instances of people eating, or rather of people who are in need of food being served and fed. Each amount appears to be woefully inadequate, yet everyone eats and is filled. One interpretation of the John passage considers that most people in Jesus time traveled with some food. When people, who were strangers, sat down together for the first time, they were cautious with "their" food, not wanting to give or share too quickly, lest others take and not also give. When the people realized that someone had begun the meal by giving, each was enabled to give also out of his/her supply. We may think that we do not travel with much, and we are concerned about making it through with what we have. Yet, it is usually easier to give and to share when we see others who have led the way giving out of their provisions.

The WORSHIP SERVICE at 9:30 a.m.

PREPARATION

Prelude "Jesu, Meine Freude" Johann Gottfried Walther

Moment of Silence

*Invocation

*Order for Confession and Forgiveness Page 94

*An Act of Reconciliation: Sharing the Peace Page 206

***Hymn 689** "Praise and Thanksgiving" BUNESSAN

*The Greeting Page 203

*Hymn of Praise Page 204

*Prayer of The Day

Pastor: Gracious God,

ALL: **you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GOD'S WORD THROUGH WORDS

Word of Welcome

Rebecca Ruckdashel

First Lesson – 2 Kings 4: 42-44

Psalm 145: 10-19 (sung responsively)

All your works shall praise ¹ you, O LORD,
and your faithful ¹ ones shall bless you.

¹¹They shall tell of the glory ¹ of your
kingdom and speak ¹ of your power,
¹²that all people may know ¹ of your power
and the glorious splendor ¹ of your kingdom.

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures through- ¹ out all ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and
loving in ¹ all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all ¹ those who fall
and lifts up those who ¹ are bowed down.

¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon ¹ you, O LORD,
and you give them their food ¹ in due season.

¹⁶You open ¹ wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every ¹ living thing.

¹⁷You are righteous in ¹ all your ways
and loving in ¹ all your works.

¹⁸You are near to all who ¹ call upon you,
to all who call up- ¹ on you faithfully.

All: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
and to the | Holy Spirit. As it was
in | the beginning, is now, and
will be for | ever. Amen.**

Second Lesson – Ephesians 3: 14-21

*Gospel Acclamation Page 205

*The Holy Gospel – John 6: 1-21

Children's Sermon Nola Booth

***Hymn 775** "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" JESU, MEINE FREUDE

Sermon "Meeting Demand with Supply" Everett Nelson

*The Apostles' Creed Page 105

A RESPONSE OF PRAYER, PRAISE AND LIVES

Offering

Offertory "Jesu, Meine Freude" Johann Gottfried Walther

*Congregational Offertory **Hymn 188** "Create in Me..."

*Prayer of Intercession Page 206

*The Lord's Prayer Page 208

*The Benediction

***Hymn 767** "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"
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*The Dismissal Page 208

Postlude "Jesu, Meine Freude" Johann Gottfried Walther

**Please stand for this part of the liturgy or remain seated as you need.*

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THANK YOU TO JEFF SNEDEKER for leading the music today while Erik Kibelsbeck is away.

WORSHIPPING with this faith community for the first time? Sign the book in the narthex so that we may greet you more personally, and please share in the relaxed after-church time over goodies.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from an usher.

HEARING ASSIST devices are available from the table in the narthex. Each device has an earpiece and volume control.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Beth Housel in memory of Harold Case.

NAME TAGS. Thanks for helping us all remember by wearing one. Your help in returning your tag to the rack in alphabetical order with the string tucked in is also appreciated.

NURSERY CARE is provided for young children during worship in two nurseries, which are on the same level as the sanctuary. Please feel free to use the facilities for your children.

CAMPUS MINISTRY LIST SERVE. To join, send an e-mail: stluke-campusministry-subscribe@yahogroups.com.

HANDICAP PARKING. There is a 'Handicap Parking' space on Oak Avenue across from the entrance to St. Luke. There are also four parking spaces behind the Church, and on Sunday mornings these are for the use of our members who have difficulty walking.

THE MONDAY MIDDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY GROUP (MMBBBS) is taking a break for the summer. The group will reconvene on August 24th. For more information, see Susan Hoskins (sbh1@cornell.edu) or Diane Conneman (dyk2@cornell.edu).

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THANKS TO THE WORSHIP LEADERS who will be helping out the next two Sundays, while PB is on vacation. We appreciate the willingness of all to share their gifts and talents in these services of the Word and this community of faith. Please call the church office with concerns (273-6811). Thanks be to God for all these brothers and sisters in Christ as they exercise their ministries.

ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, AT 8 P.M. AT ST. LUKE, there will be a Benefit Concert for Loaves and Fishes. A 15-member string ensemble, conducted by Erik Kibelsbeck, will perform music of Tchaikovsky, Grieg's Holberg Suite, and music of Villa-Lobos and Winer. The instruments are seven different sizes of violin, from smaller than a violin to larger than a double bass. Please come enjoy the music and donate to a wonderful cause.

SIGN UP FOR AUGUST FAITH AND CARE. The sign-up sheet for August Faith and Care is available at the Faith and Care table today. Take this opportunity to enable Sunday morning worship. Tasks include ushering, reading, preparing communion and providing for fellowship after the service. There are five Sundays in August. Check your calendar. Add your name to the list. Serve the community. See a Faith and Care Coordinator for more information, (Susan Hoskins, Jo Ann Ekdahl, and Doris Mowson).

QUILTERS WILL HAVE AN EXTRA GET TOGETHER ON THURSDAY, JULY 30! **Quilting for those in need.** If you sew, have extra fabric to share or can tie knots, check out how you can help make quilted blankets for distribution by Lutheran World Relief. Details are on flyers in the narthex. Meet with us at 9:30 am on every 1st & 3rd Thurs. in our Adult Ed room.

A REPORT AND AN INVITATION. If you have not shared with Council your thoughts on St. Luke priorities, please do so. Copies of the Council's Report and Invitation are on the table just outside the chancel door, next to the bulletins, along with an envelope for your responses.

FAITH AND CARE BRUNCH and coffee hour, Sunday, August 9, after the 9:30 a.m. worship service in the Fellowship Hall. The brunch will be hosted by the July Faith and Care Team for the August volunteers. Everyone is welcome and if you cannot stay for brunch, please join us for a cup of coffee. This is an opportunity to volunteer to help with Faith and Care.



ARE YOU ACCESSING THE ST. LUKE WEBSITE? [<http://www.stlukeithaca.org>] It now includes photos, a calendar of events, documents (from weekly bulletins to the Constitution and By-laws), and improved audio of our morning worship services. Please contact Scott Adams with your ideas.

FAITH IN ACTION: DIRECT PRAYER REQUESTS to Louise McGee at 844-4303. A prayer chain of St. Luke folks prays regularly, privately, and confidentially for the parishioners' concerns.

FAITH AND CARE: *USHERS:* Ronald Shewchuk & David Jung; *GREETERS:* Emily & Joe Metz; *ASSISTING MINISTER:* Lauren Mossotti-Kline; *ACOLYTES:* Nola Booth; *READERS:* Nola Booth & Joe Metz; *COFFEE SERVERS:* *SET-UP:* Susan Hoskins; *CLEAN-UP:* Ruth Sherbon; *BAKERS (after church):* Susan Hoskins & Marlys Wilhelm.

NEXT SUNDAY: PB will be on vacation for the next two Sundays. Pentecost 9, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Lessons: Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15; Ephesians; 4: 1-16; John 6: 24-35; Sermons: Guest Speakers: Children Sermon: Nicole Nelson; Big Sermon: Tom McSweeney; Hymns: 689, 461, 475.

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