

BURLINGTON LUTHERAN CHURCH

August 21, 2022

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to worship! In your bulletin there is a Connect Card. Please fill it out if you'd like to sign up for our weekly informational emails and/or communicate with our office or Pastor. For those who would rather not come forward for communion, ushers will provide single-serve communion (grape juice or wine) and a bulletin. All are welcome to share in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We are on the ancestral homelands of the Upper Skagit peoples. We are grateful for their stewardship of our shared land & waterways since time immemorial. May we live consciously and respectfully, honoring treaties, and remembering that God created everything and we are to keep it sacred.

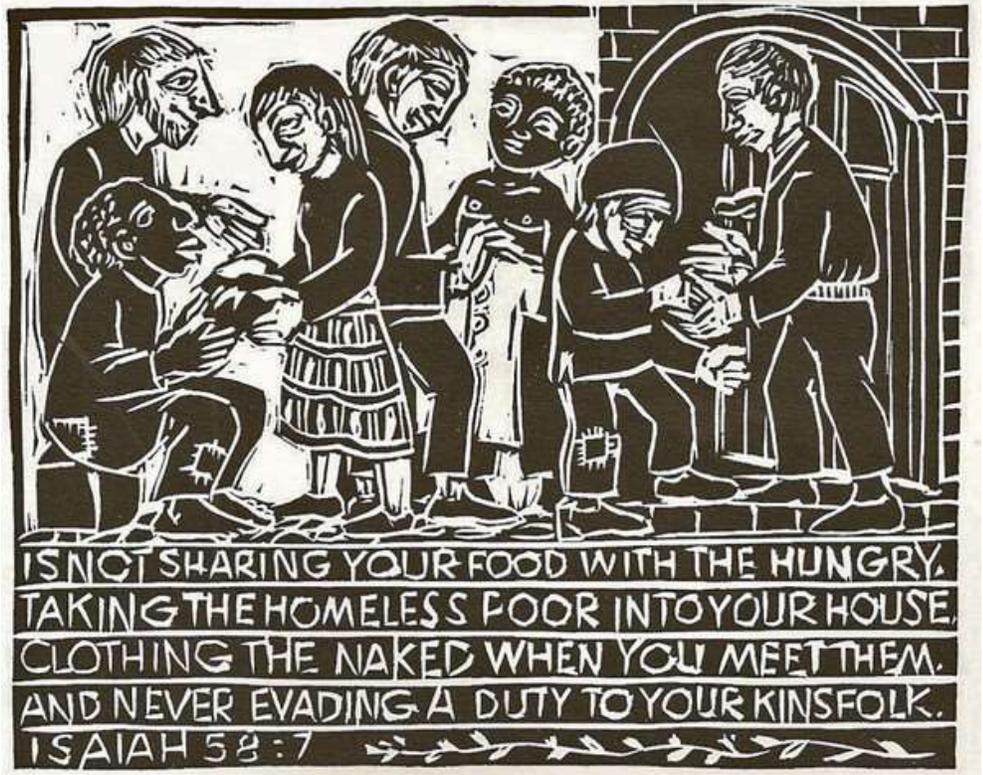
GREETING

The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

OPENING SONG: "God is Here" ELW 526

**God is here! As we your people
meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure
what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit
into open minds and hearts.**

**2 Here are symbols to remind us
of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit;
here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching,
here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal,
God the Spirit comes to each.**



**3 Here our children find a welcome
in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken,
Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant
seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living
to believe and to adore.**

**4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom,
in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel;
help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,
all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you,
we adore you! We believe!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves, and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news!
God does not deal with us according to our wrongdoings but delights in moving us forward in faith. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all time and all places, thank you for the opportunity to be together today. May we be moved to love and good deeds today, and throughout this week. May we receive healing from Christ for injuries of which we are unaware, and may we be healers to others. In the name of your compassionate, challenging son, Jesus Christ, **Amen.**

THE READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 58

¹ Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practised righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God. ³ ‘Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?’ Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day, and oppress all your workers.

⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator* shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and God will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honourable; if you honour it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;*

¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: “Hallelujah” *ELW 171*

Hallelujah, hallelujah; halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah, hallelujah; halle, hallelujah. (2x)

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY: "O Day of Rest and Gladness" *ELW 521*

- 1 O day of rest and gladness,
O day of joy and light,
O balm for care and sadness,
most beautiful, most bright:
on you the high and lowly,
through ages joined in tune,
sing, "Holy, holy, holy,"
to the great God triune.

- 2 On you, at earth's creation,
the light first had its birth;
on you, for our salvation,
Christ rose from depths of earth;
on you, our Lord victorious
the Spirit sent from heav'n;
and thus on you, most glorious,
a threefold light was giv'n.

- 3 Today on weary nations
the heav'nly manna falls;
to holy convocations
the silver trumpet calls,
where gospel light is glowing
with pure and radiant beams
and living water flowing
with soul-refreshing streams.

- 4 New graces ever gaining
from this our day of rest,
we reach the rest remaining
to spirits of the blest.
We sing to you our praises,
O Father, Spirit, Son;
the church its voice upraises
to you, blest Three in One.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All are welcome to light a candle during the prayers.

SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE

When the reader says, "Receive this prayer, gracious God," the congregation sings:

*God of mercy, God of love
Hear our prayers as we lift them up.
God of mercy, God of love
Hear our prayers as we lift them up.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of God be with you always.

And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of peace with your neighbor.

OFFERING

Online giving is also available at burlingtonlutheran.org, Venmo @Burlington-Lutheran, the Vanco Mobile app or by texting 360-727-0807.

MUSIC DURING OFFERING: "Ten Thousand Reasons" by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

Offering Prayer

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

COMMUNION

At Burlington Lutheran Church we celebrate open table communion which means the table is open to ALL, no exceptions. For those who would rather not come forward for communion, ushers will provide single-serve communion (grape juice or wine). Come, taste and see that God is good!

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy Communion

The Prayer of Jesus

Our loving God, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sin, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Music During Communion: "Healer of Our Every Ill" ELW 612

Prayer after Communion

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to experience your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The God of peace,
Creator, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life this day and always. Amen.

SENDING SONG: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ELW 859

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of creation!

**My heart is longing to offer up sweet adoration.
Melody make; dulcimer, harp, now awake.
Sound forth your praise, ev'ry nation.**

2 Praise the Almighty, o'er all life so wondrously reigning,

**and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen? All that is needful has been
sent by God's gracious ordaining.**

3 Praise the Almighty, who prospers your work and defends you;

**see from the heavens the showers of mercy God sends you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do;
Infinite Love here befriends you.**

4 Praise the Almighty! In wonder my spirit is soaring!

**All that has life and breath, come now with praises outpouring.
Let the amen sound from God's people again,
gladly forever adoring.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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UPCOMING BLC EVENTS

August 21 - Church BBQ @ After Worship

We will have BBQs on hand, with BLC providing hamburgers, hot dogs, and meatless options to feast on! Feel free to bring a chair from the fellowship hall to the grassy area

August 21-28th - Family Promise Overnight Shelter

Volunteer to help provide a meal or overnight host during BLC's shifts on August 25-28th!

September 1 & 2 - Back to School Clothing Bazaar

You can help! Bring Assorted Clothing, Shoes & Accessories for migrant elementary & teenage kids to the church by 8/30. Join the Work Party: Tues, Aug 30th, 10am-12pm @ BLC in Room 9, to organize clothes



VISITORS!

Welcome to Burlington Lutheran Church!

We are so thankful you are worshipping with us and we pray that you feel the deep Peace of God and the welcome of God's people in this place. You are invited to speak with any of our worship leaders after the service, or fill out a connect card to learn more about our church.

GOD IS LOVE

We are all God's beloved children and are recipients of God's radical love and grace.

All are welcome in this church community. You are welcome here if you have ever felt excluded or judged because of your gender, ethnicity, race, religion, status, ability, sexual orientation, doubts or questions. We are a community committed to racial equity, and we believe in Jesus' commandments to love God and love neighbor. Join us!

Matthew 22: 37-39



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