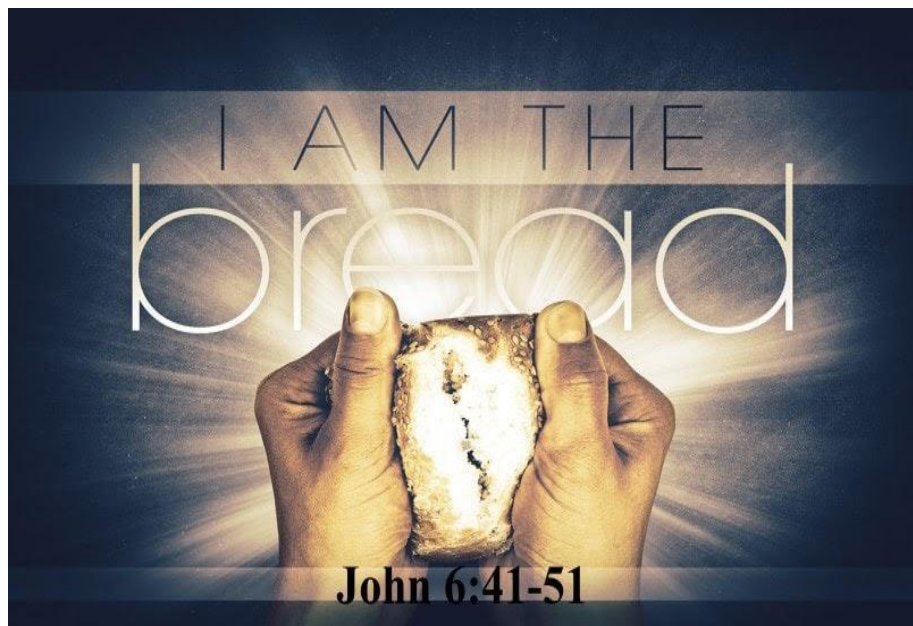


St. Johns Lutheran Church



That Came Down From
Heaven

AS WE GATHER

Most food we make, purchase, and use has a shelf life. Some longer, some shorter, but at some point, we know goods expire. This is especially true with bread. When not used in a timely manner, bread dries out, hardens, and even molds. How different is the bread Jesus teaches of, the bread that is Himself. Continuing in John 6, He teaches the people what He came to provide, which is Himself from heaven. In our worship, in our reception of His Means of Grace, in our prayers and praise, and in our daily lives, let us rejoice in the Bread that lasts for our needs of faith and forgiveness, that we, too, may continually “taste and see that the LORD is good!” (Psalm 34:8).

RINGING OF THE BELLS WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME GUESTS

We’re glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. *(Please keep your distance though)* Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering...Our service today includes the celebration of God’s presence, as He comes in the true body and blood of Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from receiving the sacrament until they have spoken with the pastor...Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (<https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/>).

We are beginning a sermon series, “Lord, teach us to pray”, on the Lord’s Prayer.

Page 323 in the Hymnbook gives us the meaning of the Introduction:
Our Father who art in heaven.

PREPARATION

HYMN Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LSB 793

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise Him for His grace and favor
To His people in distress;
Praise Him still the same as ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in His faithfulness.**

**Father-like He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hand He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet His mercy flows.**

**Angels, help us to adore Him;
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
All who dwell in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.**

INVOCATION

**In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 34:1–8

We confess to You, Lord.

**Our mouths have not always praised You through our words,
and we have boasted in things other than You.**

**Help us humbly hear and be glad, that we may taste and see
that the Lord is good.**

We confess to You, Lord.

**We have sought after other things than You and have let our
fears impede our faith. Give us hearts centered on You, that we
may taste and see that the Lord is good.**

We confess to You, Lord.

**Our thoughts, words, and actions have not been faithful, and
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Hear us and save
us from our troubles, that we may taste and see that the Lord
is good.**

**Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and
for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained
servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all
your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the
Holy Spirit.**

**Amen. Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the
man who takes refuge in Him!**

WORD

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 155

Refrain

**This is the feast of victory for our God
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain***

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor,
blessing, and glory are His. *Refrain***

**Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might**

be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *Refrain*

**For the Lamb who was slain
has begun His reign. Alleluia *Refrain***

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEMORIZED WORD

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing. Psalm 145:15-16

OLD TESTAMENT READING *1 Kings 19:1-8*

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.” ³Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there. ⁴But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, “It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers.” ⁵And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, “Arise and eat.” ⁶And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again.

⁷And the angel of the Lord came again a second time and touched him and said, “Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you.”

⁸And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

**Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom
and knowl * edge of God!**

**How unsearchable are his judgments and how
inscrutable * his ways!**

**For from him and through him and to him are * all things.
To him be glory forever. * Amen.**

EPISTLE *Ephesians 4:17–5:2*

¹⁷This I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²²to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. ²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those

who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³²Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. ¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ²And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE *John 6:51a, b*

Alleluia.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever.

Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *John 6:35–51*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁵Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” ⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come

down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN "Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor" *LSB 534*

**Lord, enthroned in heav'nly splendor,
First-begotten from the dead,
You alone, our strong defender,
Lifting up Your people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread!
Jesus, true and living bread!**

**Though the lowliest form now veil You
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there Your angels hail You,
Branch and flow'r of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
We in worship join with them;
We in worship join with them.**

**Paschal Lamb, Your off'ring, finished
Once for all when You were slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall forevermore remain.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Cleansing souls from ev'ry stain;
Cleansing souls from ev'ry stain.**

**Life imparting heav'nly manna,
Stricken rock with streaming side,
Heav'n and earth with loud hosanna
Worship You, the Lamb who died.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!**

SERMON Jesus said, “Pray then like this: Our Father...”

NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of
Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one
substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who
for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was
made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits
at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with
glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom
will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

OFFERING Our Father, Who from Heaven Above *LSB 766 v. 1,9*

**Our Father, who from heav'n above
Bids all of us to live in love
As members of one family
And pray to You in unity,
Teach us no thoughtless words to say
But from our inmost hearts to pray.**

**Amen, that is, so shall it be.
Make strong our faith in You, that we
May doubt not but with trust believe
That what we ask we shall receive.
Thus in Your name and at Your Word
We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"**

OFFERTORY

LSB 159

**What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the
name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O
Jerusalem.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray:

**We thank You, Lord, for our daily bread, for all we need in this
body and life. Lord, in Your mercy,
hear our prayer.**

Grant us hearts so moved to give as You have first given to us for the needs of others and in support of the work of Your kingdom.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Through Your Means of Grace, keep us always fed with the grace and mercy of Your Son, the Living Bread from heaven.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

As Your servant Elijah fled out of fear and was fed and nourished by You, come to us in our times of fear and anxiety. Be especially with those we name before You now, [*including . . .*]. Grant peace and healing, hope and health, according to Your will.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Guide children, parents, families, and individuals to rejoice in Your Word here and in homes, that all be fed with Your life-giving grace through the work of Your Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

As we gather together in the fellowship of the Sacrament You have set before us, grant that we faithfully receive and partake in the Living Bread that has come down from heaven with the assurance of sins forgiven, faith nourished, and Your presence affirmed.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and proper that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who receives all of our thanks and praise for the gift of life through Him fulfilling Your holy will and offering Himself into death for us. He is the Living Bread from heaven, where there is forgiveness and life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS *LSB 161*

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T BE WITH US

Many Lord, desire to be here at your altar today, but since they cannot at this time receive You sacramentally, Grant them Your Holy Spirit and come into their hearts through your Holy Word and promises so that they are assured of your personal embrace and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Never permit them to doubt being separated from You. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ on the cross.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying:

“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ☩ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

LORD’S PRAYER

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.

AGNUS DEI *LSB 163*

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Eat This Bread” *LSB 638*
(Congregation sings the refrain, Choir sings the stanzas)
What Is This Bread *LSB 629*

NUNC DIMITTIS...SONG OF SIMEON *LSB 165*

**Lord, now You let your servant go in peace;
Your word has been fulfilled.
My own eyes have seen the salvation which
You have prepared in the sight of ev’ry people:
A light to reveal You to the nations and
the glory of Your people Israel.
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 forever. Amen**

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this Sacrament by Your grace given in this food and drink, the bread of life from heaven to feed us forgiveness and eternal life. Give us this and every day our daily bread, and deliver us from evil. Equip us with the gifts of the Spirit that we live our lives in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

Amen.

HYMN Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy *LSB 774*

**Feed Thy children, God most holy;
Comfort sinners poor and lowly.
O Thou Bread of Life from heaven,
Bless the food Thou here hast given!
As these gifts the body nourish,
May our souls in graces flourish
Till with saints in heav'nly splendor
At Thy feast due thanks we render.**

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 35
Nepalese Attendance: 32
Offering: \$2,060.00

ATTENTION: PLEASE TAKE A HYMNAL from the rack nearest to you and leave it on the pew where you are sitting prior to leaving the sanctuary today. This will enable us to be more efficient when we sanitize the pews this week. Thank you.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Is looking at the series called "See through the Scriptures". This Bible Study has been produced to provide hands-on training. It is designed to serve as a tool to convince people that: We need to *read* the Bible, We can *understand* the Bible's message, and that We can *explain* that message to others.

FOOD PANTRY will no longer be accepting clothes until further notice.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL will have a meeting today, August 8th, @ 11:30am after Bible Study.

NEW SERMON SERIES on the Lord's Prayer will begin, starting in today.

LHSA will be celebrating 75 years of high school ministry on September 5th, 2021 @ Immanuel Olivette during the 10:30am service.

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions – **Karl** for healing from a kidney infection; **Maureen** for healing for her hip and from her brace; **Steve Bain** for healing from back and hip arthritis pain; **Jeanette Creamer** who is now in hospice; **For** those infected by the corona virus for quick healing and recovery; **Carol Carr** who is in rehab. **For** those seeking new employment opportunities; **Field-workers** and **Vicars** for their class work; **Nepali & African Congregation** blessings; **Food Pantry & ESL** for blessings on what they do; **EAGLE schools & Compass** as they begin a new school year.
Shut Ins – Jeanette Creamer, Carmen Hobson, Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Carol Carr, Steve Bain

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week

August 8-August 15

Sunday	9:00am Worship w/ Communion
	10:30am Bible Study
	10:30am Nepalese Worship
	11:30am Executive Council Meeting
	12:30pm African Worship
Monday	8am-2pm Office Open
Tuesday	8am-2pm Office Open
	6pm Seminary Students
Wednesday	8am-2pm Office Open
	6:30pm NT Class
	6:30pm ESL
Thursday	8am-2pm Office Open
	6:30pm Confirmation
Friday	8am-2pm Office Open
	8am Bible Study
Saturday	8:30am Food Pantry
Next Sunday	9:00am Worship
	10:30am Bible Study
	10:30am Nepalese Worship
	12:30pm African Worship