

St. Paul Lutheran Smithville

10th Sunday after Pentecost – 8/2/2026

*Please stand, as able, where marked with an asterisk**

Congregational responses are in bold

Prelude & Welcome

****Confession and Forgiveness***

L: Give praise to our God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin to God. Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. It is you who frees us.

Restore our lives, mend our hearts, and place us on right pathways. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

L: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest in God's forgiveness and love, washed clean from sin. Start anew.

C: Amen.

***Gathering Hymn:** "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

ELW 461

****Greeting & Call to Worship***

L: 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.

A: We gather here to worship our Lord.

C: To hear God's word and to rest in the presence of God.

A: Here we are reminded of who God is,

C: and of who we were made to be.

A: Here we see the work of God.

C: Here we prepare ourselves to join the work of Christ in the world.

A: Let us pray. Glorious God,

C: your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, our Savior. Amen

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

R: The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**C: The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

R: The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

**C: The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.**

R: You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.

**C: The Lord is just in all his ways
and kind in all his doings.**

R: The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

**C: He fulfills the desire of all who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.**

R: The Lord watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.

**C: My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, .
and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.**

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

R: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Holy Gospel according to the book of Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

***Gospel Reading:** Matthew 14:13-21

L: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon: Deacon Jenny Frantz Kaplan

Hymn of the Day: "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" ELW 712

The Apostles' Creed

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A: Together, let us confess our faith.

**C: 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, and 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.**

**Sharing of the Peace*

C: And also with you.

Offering: "Give Thanks"

Offering Prayer

L: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

The Prayers

A: ...Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: ...Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

****The Lord's Prayer***

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L: Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

****Benediction***

L: May 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.

****Sending Hymn:***

"Shout to the Lord"

ELW 821

****Dismissal***

A: Go, share the hope of Christ!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude