

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25 & 28, 2024

God Meets Our Need To Meet Others' Needs

Opening Hymn 484, "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices"

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Prayer of the Day: Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve your goodness, still you provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge your gifts, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

Psalm of the Day (*On Insert*)..... Psalm 145B

SECOND READING

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Gospel Acclamation Verse: *The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the */ proper time.*

*You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every */ living thing.*

GOSPEL

Hymn of the Day 517, "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

SERMON..... "Jesus Cares For All Our Needs" Mark 6:35-44

Offering Hymn 750 v. 1, "We Give Thee but Thine Own"

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Hymn 624, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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Closing Hymn 509, "Feed Your Children, God Most Holy"

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:1-15

The LORD graciously and miraculously provides for the physical needs of the children of Israel.

On the fifteenth day of the second month after they had left the land of Egypt, the entire Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai. The entire Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we sat around pots of meat and ate as much food as we wanted, but now you have brought us out into this wilderness to have this whole community die of hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Watch what I will do. I will rain down bread from heaven for you, and the people will go out each day and gather enough for

that day. In this way I will test whether they will follow my instructions or not. On the sixth day they will prepare what they bring in, and it will be twice as much as they gather on the other days."

So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "At evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the Glory of the Lord, because he has heard your constant grumbling against the Lord. Who are we that you should grumble against us?" Moses said, "Now the Lord will give you meat to eat in the evening and as much bread as you want in the morning, because the Lord has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Tell the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling.'" As Aaron spoke to the entire Israelite community, they turned toward the wilderness, and suddenly the Glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

The Lord spoke to Moses: "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Say to them, 'At evening you will eat meat, and in the morning you will eat bread until you are full. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'" So in the evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning a layer of dew surrounded the camp. When the layer of dew was gone, there were thin flakes on the surface of the wilderness, thin as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" because they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "This is the bread which the Lord has given to you as food to eat."

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 9:8-11

Paul teaches that God blesses us abundantly so that we have the resources to abound in every good work, generously helping others in all their needs.

God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will overflow in every good work. As it is written: He scattered; he gave to the poor. His righteousness remains forever. And he who provides seed to the sower and bread for food will provide and multiply your seed for sowing, and will increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you may be generous in every way, which produces thanksgiving to God through us.

GOSPEL: Mark 6:35-44

Jesus ministers to people by sharing the good news of salvation and by providing for their physical needs.

It was already late in the day when his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already very late. Send them away so they can go into the surrounding country and villages and buy themselves something to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They asked him, "Should we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?" He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go see."

When they found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." He directed everyone to sit down in groups on the green grass. They sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish, looked up to heaven, and blessed the loaves and broke them. Then he kept giving pieces to his disciples to set in front of them. He also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied. Then they picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. There were five thousand men who ate the loaves.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEAD USHERS: Ross Schultz/Wayne Schultz; next Sunday: Dean Ebert/Rob Stern

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY: This Sunday is Fellowship Sunday! All are invited to stay for the refreshments which will be served immediately following our worship service. We thank Don & Diane Koch for hosting today's fellowship hour!

INSTALLATION: The installation of our new 4K/5K teacher, Mrs. Hannah Schleef, will take place in Sunday's (TODAY'S) worship service. Please take whatever opportunity you may have to meet her and make her feel welcome here at St. Matthew's! You will be able to greet her and her family at today's fellowship hour. We pray that the Lord blesses her work here!

ORGANISTS: The August schedule is hanging on the **SCHOOL** bulletin board. Please look at your calendars in the near future and sign up for the date(s) you are willing to play for us. Thank you!

SCHOOL REGISTRATION DAY: A reminder that registration for the 2024 – 2025 school year is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 31**, from **4:00 PM – 6:30 PM**. Attendance at Registration Day is mandatory for all school families (4K families included). If you cannot make it at this time, please speak with Mr. Lorge or Debbi Foulkes to make other arrangements. **This should be done prior to July 31!** Thank you!

68TH BIENNIAL WELS CONVENTION: Our congregation has been chosen to be an **alternate** congregation to represent our district with a lay delegate to the 68th Biennial WELS Convention which will be held at **Martin Luther College**, in **New Ulm, Minnesota**, the week of **July 28-31, 2025**. For this reason, we need to have someone serve as our delegate (if our congregation becomes the chosen representative of our district), as well as a substitute to serve in our first delegate's place if, for some reason, that delegate is unable to attend. At this point we are **ONLY** an alternate; however, we need to be prepared in the event that changes. If this is something you would be willing to do, please speak with Pastor Mose today or in the very near future. Thank you!

SCRIP ORDERS: A reminder that scrip orders for August will be due on **Thursday, August 8!** This will be the only order date for the month of August. Monthly scrip orders are taken in summer; however, we will return to the regular schedule once school begins again in fall.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 13; Sunday: 104

Offerings: \$4,942.30

Tuition: \$957.00

(Budget Amount Needed Each Week: \$7,355.00)

Special Funds: Debt Retirement: \$130.00; Church Refurbishment: \$30.00; Christian

Life Resources: \$75.00

Memorials: In Memory of Ruth Nehls: \$30.00 *(Church Refurbishment)*



We invite you to support this ministry through financial offerings out of thanksgiving for the Gospel you have received here. Offerings may be placed in the plates located on the tables at the back of church, or you may scan the QR code to give electronically.

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday:	Worship Service (Fellowship Sunday).....9:00 AM <i>(Installation of Mrs. Schleef – During service)</i>
Wednesday:	SCHOOL REGISTRATION 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM
Thursday:	Communion Worship Service7:00 PM
Sunday:	Communion Worship Service9:00 AM

145B I Will Praise Your Name Forever

Psalm 145B

Refrain



I will praise your name for - ev - er, my King and my God.

Tone



Great is the LORD and most wor- / thy of praise;
his greatness no one can / fathom.
One generation commends your works to an- / other;
they tell of your / mighty acts.
The LORD upholds / all who fall
and lifts up all who are / bowed down. *Refrain*

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the / proper time.
You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every / living thing.
The LORD is near to all who / call on him,
to all who call on / him in truth.
He fulfills the desires of those who / fear him;
he hears their cry and / saves them.
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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