



*Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Trumbauersville, PA*

*July 18, 2021
9:00am*



Eighth Sunday of Pentecost
Holy Baptism of Alice Jane Earle

July 18, 2021

9:00am

Introduction

*Mark's gospel makes clear how great is the press of the crowd,
with its countless needs to be met, on Jesus and his disciples.*

*Yet in today's gospel Jesus advises his disciples
to get away and rest, to take care of themselves.*

*Sometimes we think that when others are in great need
we shouldn't think of ourselves at all;
but Jesus also honors the caregivers' need.*

We are sent from Christ's table to care for others and for ourselves.

Prelude

Thanks Be to Thee

Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world.**

Amen.

P: Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, ☩ the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Apostolic Greeting

P: 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.

Prayer of the Day

P: O God, powerful and compassionate,
you shepherd your people,
faithfully feeding and protecting us.
Heal each of us, and make us a whole people,
that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

L: ¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my

pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

L: ¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed

peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

P: ³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Sue Lang

Reflection Hymn

Borning Cry

ELW #732 v. 1 & 4

*"I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
in a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell."*

*"I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized
to see your life unfold."*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: We present Alice Jane Earle for Holy Baptism.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Parents: We do.

P: As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:
to live with her among God's faithful people,
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed,
and the Ten Commandments,

place in her hands the holy scriptures,
and nurture her in faith and prayer,
so that your child may learn to trust God,
proclaim Christ through word and deed,
care for others and the world God made,
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child
grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: We do.

P: Godparents, do you promise to nurture this child
in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit,
and to help her live in the covenant of baptism
and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: We do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Alice Jane Earle
and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

C: **We do.**

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you all to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin,
and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: **I renounce them.**

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world
that rebel against God?

C: **I renounce them.**

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: **I renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: **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 into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: **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.**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

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

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

P: We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered
Noah and his family, & through the sea
you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free
from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word,
that those who are washed in the waters of baptism
may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Alice Jane Earle is baptized in the name of the Father,
and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen. Alice Jane, you belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

P: Let us pray. (A brief silence is kept.)
We give you thanks, O God,
that through water and the Holy Spirit
you give your daughters and sons new birth,
cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.
Sustain Alice Jane with the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Alice Jane, child of God,
you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit
and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: **Amen.**

Council Rep.: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C: **We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word
to all the world.**



Jesus Loves You

*Jesus loves YOU this we know for the Bible tells us so.
Little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves YOU. Yes, Jesus loves You.
Yes, Jesus loves YOU, the Bible tells us so.*

Prayers of the People

L: Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit,
we offer our prayers for the church, the world,
and all of creation.

A brief silence.

L: Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops,
pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel.
Raise up new leaders and encourage
those pursuing a call to ministry.
Embolden all the baptized to embody your love and justice.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Restore your creation, O God.
Sustain croplands and pastures
and safeguard all farm animals and livestock.
Preserve lakes, rivers, and streams that offer refreshment.
Revive lands recovering from natural disasters
and protect coastlands threatened by rising oceans.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Reconcile the nations, O God.
Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers
to one another and unite us as one human family.
Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict
and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Heal your people, O God.
Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles,

and all who are afraid or feel lost.
Give rest to those who are weary,
comfort to those who are grieving,
and recovery to those who are ill (especially).

Gary Atherholt	All Military Personnel	Gail Bambu
Dorothy Brinkman	Brian & Cindy Brooks	Ellen Brown
Christ's Lutheran	Dan Clark	Gail DeReiter
Kelly Farrell	Beverly Faulkner	Bruce Faulkner
Mary Jane Fitzgerald	George Ford	Kevin Fox
Lester Fox	Evelyn Gerhart (Paul)	Paul Gerhart, Sr.
Pauline Gerhart	Tommy Green	Vicky Griffin
Tom Karwowski	Betty Knouse	Nora Lynn
Kim Mallery	Walter Orłowski	Gerald Parvin
Jim Patterson	Annabelle Reith	Andrea Reynolds
Mary Roberts	Miriam Schaub	Tim Simmers
Larry Sweigart	Edee Walters	Doug Whittam
Kimberly Whittam	Mark Wilkins	

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: Nourish this congregation, O God.
Prepare a table where we receive food for our hungry spirits.
Renew our commitment to provide for one another
and revitalize our ministries of feeding
and nurturing hungry neighbors.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: You dwell with us in this faith community.
We pray for our leaders especially our Congregation Council
and Transition Team during this time of pastoral transition.
Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness,
that through their leadership
you may be exalted in this assembly.
Hear us, O God

C: Your mercy is great.

L: For those who serve in all medical and helping professions who minister to those sick with Covid.

Renew their hope and their spirits as they serve.

Hear us, O God

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We give you thanks, O God,
for all those who serve in the fields of science and research,
especially for those who are working tirelessly on solutions
for dealing with the pandemic.

Give them insight as they explore avenues that give us hope.

Hear us, O God

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We give you thanks this day, O Lord,
for joining Alice Jane into the Body of Christ
and bringing her into our midst at Christ's Lutheran.

Bless her in the days and years ahead

and help us as a community to nurture her
in her growing life of faith.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: You lead us home, O God.

We give thanks for all who have died,
now citizens with the saints.

As you have received them into your heavenly home,
so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever.

Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God,
confident in the promise of your saving love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.



Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.
Please share a distanced greeting of peace with one another.

Offering

*There are a variety of ways to give
to the church's ministry during this pandemic:
Mail or hand deliver your envelopes during office hours
or use the Paypal link at <http://www.christslutheran.com/worship.html>
Also give through your purchases at Amazon Smile by designating
Christ's Trumbauersville as your charity.*

Offering Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.

C: Amen.

The 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.

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

*This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the 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.**

Sharing of the Body & Blood of Christ

Post Communion Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

Blessing

P: The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
☩ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

ELW #789 v. 1&4

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.*

*Early let us seek your favor,
early let us do your will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have loved us, love us still.*

Postlude

God Be with You Till We Meet Again



Portions from Evangelical Lutheran Worship and sundaysandseasons.com, © 2020 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress.

Blessing from sundaysandseasons.com reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #43106.

Readings from Readings for the Assembly © 1995, 1996, 1997 Augsburg Fortress. Citations from the Revised Common Lectionary © 1992 Consultation on Common Texts. Scripture quotations from NRSV Bible, Copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, adapted and edited with permission by Gordon Lathrop and Gail Ramshaw.

Thanks Be To Thee—Handel

(c) 2006 Hope Publishing Company. Contributors: Hal Hopson. Tune: (c) 2006 Hope Publishing Company. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-736830.

Borning Cry. Evangelical Lutheran Worship #756

Contributors: John Ylvisaker. Tune: © 1985, John C. Ylvisaker. All rights reserved. Text: © 1985, John C. Ylvisaker. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-736830.

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Evangelical Lutheran Worship #789 Public Domain.

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

Evangelical Lutheran Worship #536 Public Domain.