

# Vasa Lutheran Church

*The Lord's Prayer: Your Will be Done  
on Earth as it is in Heaven*

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**Sunday, August 15, 2021**

**ANNOUNCING THE DAY:** What is the Divine Will?

L: Your kingdom come.

**C: Your will be done.**

L: What does the Lord require of you

**C: But to do justice,**

L: And to love kindness,

**C: And to walk humbly with your God?**

L: Your kingdom come.

**C: Your will be done. Amen**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the God of manna, the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy. **Amen.**

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

**Silence is kept for reflection.**

God, our provider,  
**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.**

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. **Amen.**

**GREETING**

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.**

**KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Almighty and eternal God, **so draw our hearts to you, so**

**guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated to you; and then use us we pray, as you will, but always to your glory and the welfare of your people through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen**

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

### **Micah 6:1-8**

*The prophet speaks:* Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. 2 Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

*God speaks:* 3 "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! 4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

*The people speak:* **6 "With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"**

*The prophet responds:* 8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**Mark 14:32-36** They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." 33 He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. 34 And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." 35 And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. 36 He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."

### **From Luther's Small Catechism**

The Third Petition

Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

*What is this? or What does this mean?*

**In fact, God's good and gracious will comes about without our prayer, but we ask in this prayer that it may also come about in and among us.**

*How does this come about?*

**Whenever God breaks and hinders every evil scheme and will—as are present in the will of the devil, the world, and our flesh-- that would not allow us to hallow God’s name and would prevent the coming of his kingdom, and instead whenever God strengthens us and keeps us steadfast in his word and in faith until the end of our lives. This is God’s gracious and good will.**

L: Word of God, word of life,

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN: O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR ELW 820**

**SERMON**

**HYMN NOW WE JOIN IN CELEBRATION ELW 462**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** using the words of the Apostles' Creed  
**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.**

**PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:** Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

**GENEROSITY MOMENT:** *Your financial support of Vasa's ministry is always appreciated. Offering plates are sitting at the back of the sanctuary.*

**CONSECRATION OF COMMUNION ELEMENTS:** *All are welcome at the Lord's table. Communion will be served by intinction. We will serve the pulpit side first and then the lectern side. Pre-packaged portions are available. We will serve you in your seat if you have mobility challenges.*

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**As we forgive those who sin against us**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

### BLESSING AND PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

**PRAYER** 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. Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN:                      GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY                      ELW 705**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

L: Your kingdom come.

**C: Your will be done.**

L: My people are hungry.

**C: We will give them food.**

L: My children feel like strangers.

**C: We will welcome them.**

L: My loved ones are sick.

**C: We will visit them.**

L: Your kingdom come.

**C: Your will be done. Amen**

L: May the God who wills that we be willing give you everything you need to serve. In the name of the Father +, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit +.

**C: Amen**

### DISMISSAL

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

**C: Thanks be to God.**



Scott Sorenson, Linda Thompson, Max Tilderquist, Eileen Anderson, Irene Carpenter, Paul Mikaelsen, and Michelle Pearson.



If you wish to make a monetary contribution to Vasa Lutheran church, offering plates are located near the exits – at the South and East doors.

Parish Pulse:

**August 8, 2021**

Participating in Worship:

54 (+5 at WEW 8/11/21)

Total Offerings: \$945.00

**Assisting with Worship Today:**

**Usher: Bruce Tilderquist**

**Reader: BJ Norman**

**Communion Asst: BreAnn Hanson**

Assisting Next week:

*Usher: Rodney Nelson*

*Reader: Stuart Samuelson*



Another Birthday milestone to celebrate:

**Pauline Carlson** will be

99(!) on August 21! Cards and well-wishes can be sent to:

*Pauline Carlson  
28030 160<sup>th</sup> Ave Way  
Welch, MN 55089*



**BOOK STUDY: Pastor Maureen will be leading a book study on The Heart of Christianity, by Marcus Borg, beginning in September. Options for meeting include: Sunday after worship, Tuesday or Thursday evenings or Saturday morning over coffee. Let her know if you're interested, and which time works best! Plan on 3 meetings.**

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## Free Community Dinner



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!**

The September Community Dinner is scheduled for September 8! Since we are not out of the Covid woods YET, we will continue with Drive Through and Delivery Options ONLY—which means **meal reservations are DUE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>!!** Call or email the church office with your requests. Please Include your name, phone number, specify how many meals, and Drive Through or Delivery preference. The September menu includes: Brats, Baked Beans, Potato Salad (OR chips—please specify which you want when you place your order) and a cookie!



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