

July 18, 2010 ~ 8:30 AM  
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



**Mary ... sat at the Lord's feet and  
listened to what he was saying.**

Luke 10:39

# July 18, 2010—8:30 AM Worship ~ Pentecost 8

\*Those who are able please stand.

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Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship

P. Holy and resurrected Jesus, we come to worship You!

C. Easter Lord, we come to praise Your glory!

**P. As Mary Magdalene witnessed to You...**

C. May our worship be a sweet fragrance to Your glory!

\*Gathering Song: *Great is the Lord*

W&P #53

\*Passing of the Peace

Confession & Forgiveness (*please be seated*)

P) *Mighty and gracious Lord, Your servant Isaiah recognized that at the heart of his being he was sinful.*

C) Lord, our sin as that we often refuse to even think that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee to You for Your infinite mercy through the shed blood of Jesus. Amen.

*Silence is kept for reflection - Proclamation of Forgiveness*

Song of Reflection: *Lord, Be Glorified*

W&P #89

First Lesson: Genesis 18:1–10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground.

**He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on - since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."**

## Second Lesson: Colossians 1:15–28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him — provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in **Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God** fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

### \*Holy Gospel: Luke 10:38–42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the **Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."**

Sermon: "A Tale of Two Suppers"

Pastor Jones

### \*Sermon Hymn: *I Love to Tell the Story* (LBW #390)

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**\*Apostles' Creed:** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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. 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 Intercession: P) God of mercy C) hear our prayer.

Offering / Offertory

Offering Prayer

\*Great Thanksgiving

P) The Lord be with you.

C) And also with you.

P) Lift up your hearts.

C) We lift them up to the Lord.

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

C) It is right to give our thanks & praise.

P) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

C) Hosanna in the highest!

P) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

C) Hosanna in the highest!

\*Words of Institution

**\*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

Communion Meal: *Day by Day*

WOV #746

Day by day, your mer-cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing  
 Day by day, I know you will pro- vide me strength to  
 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my

com - fort to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you  
 serve and wis - dom to a - bey, I will seek your lov - ing will to  
 bur - dens grow too great to bear. oh, what joy to know that you will

send me draw me near - er to my beau - ti - fully goal,  
 guide me o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day  
 hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer

Love di - vine, be - yond all mor - tal mea - sure, brings to  
 I will fear, no - ce - vil of the mor - row, I will  
 Day by day, no mat - ter what be - tide me, you will



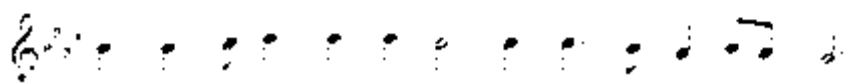
## I Love to Tell the Story



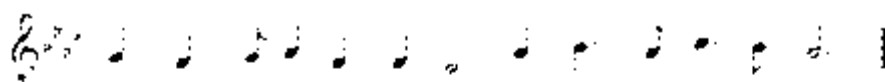
1 I love to tell the story of an unseen thing, a love  
 2 I love to tell the story how pleasant to the heart  
 3 I love to tell the story of those who know it best



of the sun and his glory, and  
 what shines each time I tell it  
 seem him to give me and thirst me  
 of the sun and his glory, and  
 in the world that I love  
 to be so glad to love the best



I love to tell the story, for I know it's true  
 I love to tell the story, for I know it's true  
 And when I see of glory, I see the new law  
 I love to tell the story, for I know it's true  
 I love to tell the story, for I know it's true  
 And when I see of glory, I see the new law



in the sun and his glory, and  
 the times of the old story  
 I'll sing the old story  
 in the sun and his glory, and  
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 in the sun and his glory, and  
 the times of the old story  
 I'll sing the old story



I love to tell the story, I'll sing this thanksgiving story



and tell the old old story of the sun and his love

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 Usher: Chris Dishman

# In Touch

Congregational Meeting & Change in Service Time! July 25

Council voted to have our first vote to disaffiliate with the ELCA on Sunday, July 25. This will be held in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. There will be one worship service that day at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday school. A letter has been sent out with more information, which you should have received. There are copies at the church entrances if you need one. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the church council. All voting members may take part (one who is confirmed, communing, and made a contribution of record in the current or preceding year).

Vacation Bible School — Our VBS program this year will be held on Saturday, August 14 — for all children and adults. This is a western themed program entitled, *Circle J Ranch*. This will be a one day event and will feature arts, crafts, music, games and lunch. Please invite children and grandchildren (ages 3 and up) to this great event.

Beach Decorations: WELCA has need of beach items, especially large seashells to decorate for Summer Celebration, July 31. Call Brenda if you can help (704-876-4028).

Last Sunday: Gen Fund—Budgeted: \$6,564; Rcvd: \$4,135  
Gen Fund YTD — Budgeted:\$183,786; Received: \$97,726; Attendance—94  
End of June YTD expenses: \$141,575

Mr. Tate Holler requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of his daughter *Elizabeth Anne Holler* to *Christopher Kyle Brown* on Saturday, the twenty-fourth of July two thousand and ten at seven o'clock in the evening at **Mooresville ARP Church, 659 Carpenter Ave., Mooresville, NC.** We invite you to worship with us and witness their vows. If you are unable to attend we ask your presence in thought and in prayer.

## Upcoming Birthdays

July 18    Meghan Massey, Mark Taylor  
July 19    Kathy Risso  
July 20    Christina Coffey, Kirk Hager  
July 21    Paula Cress  
July 22    Eric Hanson, Lauren Mills  
July 23    Barbara Gillon, Mark Johnston  
July 24    John Williams  
July 25    Donna Tazelaar  
July 26    Frank Mitchell, Larry Nichols, Cookie Tilley

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# WEEK AT A GLANCE

## **Sunday, July 18**

8:00 am    Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 am    Worship  
9:45 am    Sunday School  
11:00 am    Worship

## **Wednesday, July 21**

7:30 pm    Chancel Choir

## **Thursday, July 22**

6:00 pm    Civitans

## **Friday, July 23**

5:00 pm    Wedding Rehearsal Dinner

## **Saturday, July 24**

4:00 pm    Wedding

## **Sunday, July 25 ~ Note: One worship service today!**

9:30 am    Congregational Meeting  
10:15 am    Choir Rehearsals  
10:30 am    Worship

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