



St. Paul's

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A member of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Receiving and giving the love and hope of Christ



Worship Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm traditional • Sunday: 8:00 am traditional

Sunday: 10:30 am contemporary

Special services during Advent, Lent & Summer

210 E. Pleasant St., Oconomowoc, WI 53066 | 262-567-5001 | www.splco.org

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, School & Early Childhood Center

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
Allison Mackie, Director of Parish Music
Jill George, Principal
Volume 26

Rev. Jason Schockman, Associate Pastor
Christine Flores, ECC Director
Adrianna Lubner, Middle School Youth Director
Number 28

Office Hours: 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Please fill out an attendance card
and place it in the offering plate.

*As the prelude begins, worshipers are
encouraged to conclude conversation
and quietly prepare for worship.*

GUEST INFORMATION

Welcome! If you are a guest, the following information may help you:

If you have questions, or would like more information about St. Paul's, an usher will be happy to help you.

Please fill out an attendance card, located on the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

If you have small children, there are activity bags located behind the back pews that might be helpful for your child.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please read our confession found on page 329-330 of the Lutheran Service Book and indicate your agreement with our beliefs by checking the box next to the names of those communing.

Those who share in our confession of faith of the Lord's Supper are welcome to receive.

If you hold a confession differing from this congregation, please speak with a pastor or elder. Non-communing, baptized children are welcome to come to the table for a blessing.

If you are physically unable to come to the table, please let an usher know and the pastor will come to you and give you communion.

Communion Wine

The wine glasses in the center of each tray contain **one drop** of communion wine. The glasses that contain more wine are rose in color.

July 18, 2021

THE 8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Pastor: Lance Armstrong O'Donnell

Theme: *United in Christ*

Traditional Worship
LSB, Divine Service 4, pg. 203

Contemporary Worship
Special Order

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

5:00 pm – 58 **Total: 314**
 8:00 am – 115
 10:30 am – 103
 Wednesday – 38

Scan the QR code and give electronically. This is a safe and easy way to offer your gifts to God.



THIS WEEKEND

	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
Music Leaders	Allison Mackie	Allison Mackie	Praise Team
Altar Guild	Jackie Meyer	Megan Miller	Sarah Neff
Elders	Jim Juneau	Rick Zastrow	Erik Benes
Greeters	John & Margie Hertneky	Gary Pribnow (church) Ralph & Donna Andrus (school)	John Melvin
Power Point	N/A	N/A	TBD
Radio	N/A	Chuck Muecke	N/A
Ushers	Wilbur Pieper's Team	Rick Zastrow	Erik Benes

Radio Broadcast: Stan & Louann Kuehl in praise to God for blessings received

Altar Flowers: Jamie & Jill George in praise to God for their 33rd wedding anniversary on July 16th

Our 8:00 am Worship Service is broadcast live on WTKM 104.9 and at available at www.splco.org.

Families with small children: There are activity bags located in the back of the church that might be helpful for your child.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Military families

For those with family members in the military, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod has a Ministry to the Armed Forces. This ministry sends those in the military the Lutheran Witness magazine, Portals of Prayer devotional booklet, etc. free of charge. If you would like your family member to be included in these mailings, please contact Heather in the church office at 262.567.5001 or via email at heather@splco.org, with your loved one's military address.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Piggly Wiggly Receipt fundraiser

If you shop at Piggly Wiggly, please deposit your receipts in the designated box in fellowship hall. The money raised from your receipts helps to continue the programming for our youth. Thank you to all of you who already contribute to this fundraiser.

You can contact the youth group by emailing splyouth.group@splco.org. You can also start to follow us on Instagram @SPLYouthOcon.

2022 LCMS Youth Gathering

Who – Any youth finishing 8th-12th grade in Spring 2022 (min. 14 y.o.)

What – 5 days to spend time together in God's Word, worship, service and fellowship with others from across the synod (US and international)

When – July 9-13, 2022 (Registration in October 2021)

Where – Houston, TX

How (much) – Cost will depend upon group size, travel (bus vs plane), hotel assignment, and FUNDRAISING

Next Steps

August 7 – Piggly Wiggly Brat Fry & Car Wash (LOTS of help needed)

September – Info meeting, SNA resumes, Winter Woods fundraiser



United in Christ

by Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

The 8th Sunday after Pentecost (Pr 11B)
18 July, A.D. 2021
Jer 23.1-6; Eph 2.11-22; Mk 6.30-44

Introduction

What was Jeremiah's time like? Why is he sometimes called "the weeping prophet"?

I. Hope in The LORD

What did God promise the people of Israel?

Jeremiah 23:5 (ESV)

⁵ Behold, the days are coming, declares 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.

2 Samuel 7:16 (ESV)

¹⁶ And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.

In 1 Sam 21, for what did David ask the priest?
What did he get instead?

II. David to Jesus

Matthew 12:3-6 (ESV)

³ He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him: ⁴ how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? ⁵ Or have you not read in the Law how on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath and are guiltless? ⁶ I tell you, something greater than the temple is here.

What was Jesus declaring when He made the reference to 1 Samuel 21?

III. Jesus the Fulfillment

What happened at the feeding of the 5,000? What did Jesus show in this?

How does the Feeding of the 5,000 lead to the cross and resurrection?

IV. Unity in Christ

What is our Holy Communion compared to meals of the Old Testament and even the Feeding of the 5,000?

What does this mean for us in our divided world?

Conclusion

CCT: In Christ's forgiveness is _____ and wholeness.

An Update from the Operations Committee

The sale of the land on Valley Road was an affirmation of the Congregation's decision to remain at our current site on the beautiful shore of Fowler Lake in downtown Oconomowoc. This required the Operations Committee to evaluate what maintenance and repairs were needed to preserve the present facilities in a manner which would be pleasing to God and fulfill the needs of the Congregation.

The Operations Committee has been working through the list of projects which were presented to the congregation for funding outside the budget of the congregation. Those which have the funds are being pursued. **Those projects which do not yet have enough funds are on hold.**

There is one particular project, the "**Narthex interior entrance wall w/door frame replacement**", which has been on hold pending full funding. Because of the delay, we had to go back to the contractors and obtain an updated quote. We checked with Beres Builders and Wellenstein Builders. [Wellenstein](#) quoted \$40-50,000 with additional costs to us outside their scope of their work. Beres quoted \$38,000. Beres brought in Neuman Millwork with him.

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Ben Neuman presented a concern to us regarding the fogging of the Plexiglas covering the stained glass above the doors. His concern was severe enough that Ben Neuman brought it back Paul Phelps, owner of Oakbrook Glass Studio to evaluate the stained glass. Paul stated he would not be able to determine the amount of damage to the lead caning of the stained glass until the glass was removed and brought to his shop. Even without the stained glass repairs **this project is short \$8,000 to start, so we are asking for help to get this project funded and moving.** In today's world, any additional delays will only increase the costs even more.

(As a separate matter, after further observation, and for future planning purposes, we have discovered all the Plexiglas covering the stained glass windows in the Church are fogged up. This Plexiglas was meant to act as a storm window over the stained glass. Any fix would be determined upon the findings of Oakbrook Glass Studio. We have also found that the large center stained glass window, in the Balcony above the entrance doors of the church, is significantly bowed out at the base of the window panel. This will be a future project along with any required fix for the stained glass windows. Price estimates have not been obtained at this time.)

Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: *United in Christ*
July 18-25, 2021

United in Christ (Pastor O'Donnell)

The evil one is working overtime to divide people right now. The LORD, however, wants to unite us in Christ. With the miraculous feeding of the 5,000 (Cf, Mark 6.30-44) Jesus proved His authority over creation, that He was the One who had fed the people in the desert with Manna in days of old (Cf. Ex 16). He shows compassion, that He is also the fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy of a Good Shepherd, the "righteous branch," who will care for and rule benevolently for all of God's people (cf. Jer 23.1-6). Indeed, through His sacrifice, "[Jesus] himself is our peace, who has made us one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility." (Ephesians 2:14, ESV).

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Christ-Centered Theme: In Christ's forgiveness is peace and wholeness.

Verse: Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Psalm: Psalm 119: Samek and Ayin and/or the appointed daily psalms for General Psalms in Psalm Schedule **LSB, p. 304**

	Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Daily Psalms								
Morning	103	5	42	89:1-18	97	51	104	19
Evening	117, 139	84, 29	102, 133	1, 33	16, 62	142, 65	118, 111	81, 113

The Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar—*What is the Sacrament of the Altar? Where is this written? What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

<p><i>What is the Sacrament of the Altar?</i> It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.</p>	1 st grade+
<p><i>Where is this written?</i> The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark Luke and St. Paul’s write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, “Take, eat, this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you; this is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”</p>	2 nd grade+
<p><i>What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?</i> These words, Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.</p>	1 st grade+

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: *United in Christ*

Day	Bible Stories for the Family & School	Daily prayer readings from LSB, p. 299	
Sun.	The Feeding of the 4,000—Mark 8:1-9	1 Sam. 1:21-2:17	Gal. 6:1-81
Mon.	The Miracles Worked by Paul—Acts 19:11-20	1 Sam. 2:18-36	Acts 15:22-41
Tue.	Paul Is Protected as a Roman Citizen—Acts 22:17-29	1 Sam. 3:1-21	Acts 16:1-22
Wed.	Paul Appears Before the Sanhedrin—Acts 22:30—23:10	1 Sam. 4:1-22	Acts 16:23-40
Thur.	Paul Appears Before Felix the Governor—Acts 24:1-23	1 Sam. 5:1-6:3; 10-16	Acts 18:1-11, 23-28
Fri.	Paul Returns to Jerusalem—Acts 21:1-17	1 Sam. 6:19-7:17	Acts 19:1-22

Prayers: Collects for the Week, Daily Themes for Prayer, In Our Prayers at St. Paul's

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 Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday:** *Pray for the joy of the resurrection among us; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday:** *Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for one's calling and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for schools, colleges, and seminaries; for good government and for peace.*
- Tuesday:** *Pray for deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing, the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with besetting sins.*
- Wednesday:** *Pray for marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must raise children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday:** *Pray for the Church and her pastors; for teachers, deacons, deaconesses, and other church workers; for missionaries and for all who serve the Church; for fruitful and salutary use of the blessed sacrament of Christ's body and blood.*
- Friday:** *Pray for the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and for the spread of His knowledge throughout the whole world; for the persecuted and oppressed; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday:** *Pray for faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for receptive hearts and minds to God's Word on the Lord's Day; for pastors and people as they prepare to administer and receive Christ's holy gifts.*

In Our Prayers this Week

Those sick or hospitalized: MEMBERS – Pa ula Papa – re covering from recent knee replacement & carpal tunnel surgery; Michael Stollenwerk; Ann Duggan–swollen foot; Louise Stenson; Florence Zastrow–Shorehaven; Ma rilyn Runyard; Richard Schultz; Je anette Le onhardt; Ve rnon Schilling–cancer; Marcus Pankow–cancer; Linda Leidel–continued healing; George Nagel–Shorehaven; Bernice Jorgenson–cancer; David Mueller–healing; Chad Eberhardt; Wilbur Pieper; Barb Pieper; Carolyn Pankow–Shorehaven; Peggy Lauber–liver and bone cancer; Laura Gruen–recovering from brain surgery; Ludille Campbell–cancer treatment; Mary Buss–cancer; Katie Waldorf; Timothy John Bratz–cancer; Bill & Margaret Voss; Mabel Fredrick; Rick Ware; Crystal Parker

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS – Those with cancer: Jim (Jackie Meyer's dad); Dr. Judith Ames Whitenack (Pauline Bemis's cousin)–inoperable brain tumor; Claudia (Jenny Laabs' sister); Gary Ketchum (friend of Dina Tanner); Craig; Wendi Lombardo–breast ca ncer; Ca rol Oswald; Jowana Elswick–leukemia; Jill Filut; Sarah; Jan Shackleton (Pauline Bemis's friend); Jim (Laura Grubba's brother-in-law); Phyllis; Mike; Judy–cancer returned; Elizabeth–breast ca ncer; Kayla–thyroid cancer; Mary O'Connell–breast ca ncer; Kelly Bratz (Bob's daughter-in-law)–breast cancer; Linda Hansen; Fran Meyer (Chris Hesse's aunt)–Multiple Myeloma; Erin (Mileager)–Rayborn–Hodgkins

Lymphoma; Mary Sprague—breast cancer; Sandy—kidney cancer; Debra Thurow (Dona’s daughter); Kathy Berkbigler (Pat Borgman’s cousin)—breast cancer; Ron Rafalski—throat cancer; Nancy—breast cancer

Other: Marge Wertz (COVID complications); Matt Schowengerdt; Ed Reisdorf (Jim & Ann Duggan’s friend); Bentley Balfanz (great-grandson of Sheila Rams & Darlene Adams)—preemie; George & Janemarie Hillier (Jim & Ann Duggan’s friends); Liz Peronto (Barb Allwardt’s sister); Brenda Hoeft (Donna Fortmann’s daughter)—heart transplant; Bev Mai (broken neck); Jennifer (Diana Radtke’s niece)—healing from aneurysm; Ken Nash; John Hildebrandt; Fred Storm (Lynda Rades’s brother); Fred Storm (Lynda Rades’s father); Yvonne (Sheila Rams’s sister)—stroke; Merita Dinnauer; Sue Jansen; Armin Tessmann— strength in walking, right arm and hand; Doug—CCL; Barb (Dave Schlomer’s mom)—severe headaches; Scott Kleist (Jim & Ann Duggan’s son)—MS; Paul Fellin

Those serving in the military-deployed: Matthew Juneau; Sam Duggan; Justin Michener; Zach Howard, Theresa; Phil Preston; Casey, Phil, Andy & Steve Koth; Luke, Jacob, Brian, Randy, Kyle, Jake, Jeff, Matt, Brad, Ben, Mike & Rob

Those serving God as missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump & family; Dennis Denow (Thailand), Bob & Chris Prouty (Australia), Pastor Reinke (Deaf Ministry), Rev. Bud Palmer

Those in need: Our Shut-Ins; the unborn children of the world all healthcare workers; Jennifer; Brian; David

Anniversary: Jamie & Jill George – 33rd – July 16th

Lord’s Prayer and Morning or Evening Prayer from the Catechism
Hymn of the Week: The Church’s One Foundation

LSB 644

Looking forward to St. James the Elder, Apostle
Hymns: 544, 518, 956 (685, 420, 753) 857

July 25, 2021

St. James the Elder, Apostle (Pastor Schockman)

The sons of Zebedee ask for seats at Jesus’ “right hand and ... left, in your glory” (Mark 10:37). But they do not know what they are asking (Matt. 20:22), for God’s kingdom is not of glory and power but the cross. We will bear ours after Him. “For [His] sake we are being killed” and “regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” But “in all these things we are more than conquerors through him” (Rom. 8:36–37), for Jesus’ death is unique. He alone is baptized with our sin and drinks the cup of God’s wrath against it (Mark 10:38). We live in service to our neighbors after His example; He alone is “the Son of Man,” who came “to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:45). Today the Church commemorates the fulfillment of Christ’s prophecy about James, killed with Herod’s sword (Acts 12:2). He is honored as the first apostle to be “conformed to the image of [God’s] Son” (Rom. 8:29). But what is that when “Christ Jesus is the one who died — more than that, who was raised — who is at the right hand of God ... interceding for us”? Nothing (not even a sword) can “separate” James and “us from the love of Christ” (Rom. 8:34–35).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer office hours

Our summer office hours are 8am to 2pm, through August 24th. Please make a note of it.

Dear St. Paul's,

Given our location downtown and my years-long desire to be involved in a community organization, I'm happy to announce that I—and we at St. Paul's—have become members of the Downtown Oconomowoc Business Association (DOBA). During our 150th anniversary, St. Paul's committed to our historic downtown location. Being involved in DOBA is a great opportunity for us to serve our community.

Looking ahead, DOBA is asking St. Paul's if we're willing to help create a special kids area for Fall Fest on September 11th. This summer they're looking for volunteer help at the Village Green Beer Gardens from 4:30-9pm on FRIDAY, JULY 23rd. Please let me (podonnell@splco.org, 262-567-5001) or Amy Hackbarth (amy@splco.org, 262-567-5001) know if you're able to volunteer.

Rev. Lance Armstrong O'Donnell, Senior Pastor

Summer lakeside worship services

Our Lakeside Summer worship services will run through August 25th at 6:30 pm in our backyard by Fowler Lake. Please bring a chair! The sermon will be that of the weekend prior. If there is inclement weather, the worship service will be moved to the church nave.



Romans 6:22 – “But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.” The fruits of faith in Christ are the good works of a faithful Christian life. We have received grace upon grace in the free

forgiveness of our sins, and so we are now free to go forth and bear fruit in serving our neighbor in the home, the church, and society.

Lutherans for Life

Abortion and assisted suicide may appear to be compassionate measures. But while they deaden the culture to some discomforts, they actually deny support to unborn and impaired persons. By contrast, Jesus has compassion on the whole multitude with no exceptions, because He perceives how the world has abandoned them (Mark 6:34). He feeds them instead of forsaking (Mark 6:41). And the Gospel extends abundant life from fertilization to forever.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY July 19	CUW Book Club CUW Exercise Group Lord's Cupboard Drive-Thru	Library Gym Parking Lot	11:00 am 1:00 pm 5:30 pm
WEDNESDAY July 21	Lakeside Worship	Backyard	6:30 pm
THURSDAY July 22	Praise Team Practice	Church	7:00 pm
SATURDAY July 24	Journeyman Women of Joy Bible Study Traditional Worship AA Meeting	Maxim's Whelan's Church Fellowship Hall	7:30 am 8:00 am 5:00 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY July 25	Traditional Worship Adult Bible Study Contemporary Worship	Church Fellowship Hall Church	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am

BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday Adult Bible Study

Sunday: 9:15 am - Fellowship Hall
262-567-5001

Women of Joy

Saturday (1st & 3rd) - 8:00 am
Whelan's

Journeyman

Saturday (2nd & 4th) - 7:30 am
Maxim's

The June/July Epistle is online at www.splco.org

NEXT WEEKEND

5:00 PM

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

Readings	Acts 11:27-12:5	Romans 8:28-39	Mark 10:35-45
Altar Guild	Marena Linke	Barb Hentz	Sarah Neff
Elders	Bruce Bain	Todd Leonhardt	John Melvin
Greeters	Roxie Gerlach	John Melvin (church) Jim & Judy Braatz (school)	Karen Meyer
PowerPoint	N/A	N/A	TBD
Radio	N/A	Chuck Laabs	N/A
Ushers	Gary Flanagan	Todd Leonhardt	John Melvin

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ST. JAMES THE ELDER, APOSTLE

Pastor: Jason Schockman

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Jeremiah 23:1–6

“Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD. “Behold, the days are coming, declares 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. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’”

Ephesians 2:11–22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

St. Mark 6:30–44

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And he said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat.” But he answered them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?” And he said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they had found out, they said, “Five, and two fish.” Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties. And taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men.