Brighton Lutheran Mission



Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity 14 September 2014

Welcome to Brighton Lutheran Mission!

May God bless you richly as we gather together to receive His gifts.

Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee afterwards.

Holy Communion

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, we eat and drink the actual body and blood of Jesus in and with the bread and the wine, according to Jesus' own words. We also believe that those who participate in Holy Communion in a particular congregation should be in agreement in the confession of the faith.

Therefore, we ask that only those who are instructed in the Lutheran Confessions and are under our pastor's spiritual care come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

If you are visiting us and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor *before* the service. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Our teaching on this matter is explained in more detail in the little leaflet, 'Why Closed Communion?', which is available from the pastor.

Thank you for honouring our beliefs.

Explanation of Symbols:

- P Pastor
- Congregation
- You may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.
- You may bow at this point as a sign of reverence.

DIVINE SERVICE BOOKLET

Hymns: 566, 683, 534 (insert), 918

Catechism

- P The Fourth Commandment
- Honour your father and your mother.
- P What does this mean?
- We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honour them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Introit (Ps. 74:1–2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a)



P Have regard for the covenant, | O Lord;*

let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.

Arise, O God, de- | fend your cause;* do not forget the clamour | of your foes.

© O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?*

Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your | pasture?

Remember your congre- | gation,*
which you have pur- | chased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of

your | heritage!*

Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.

Do not forget the life of your poor for- | ever.*

- Let the poor and needy | praise your name.

 * 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.

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Collect of the Day

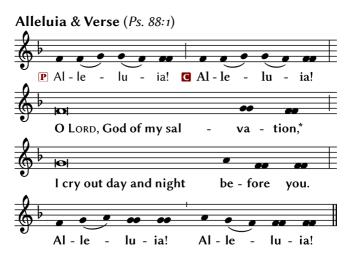
Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading-2 Chronicles 28:8-15

Gradual (Ps. 77:14-15)

- P You are the God who works | wonders;*
 you have made known your might among
 the | peoples.
- You with your arm redeemed your | people,* the children of Jacob and | Joseph.

Epistle Reading—Galatians 3:15-22



Gospel Reading-Luke 6:36-42

IN OUR PRAYERS

Ascension Lutheran Church, Pr. Samiec; Pr. McNally & Pr. Fry (health); Evangelical Lutheran of Paraguay; Holland Road Baptist Church, Pr. David Treneer; Lutherans in Africa, Pr. James May

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD THE APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLE V: LOVE AND THE FULFILLING OF THE LAW

Truly, if anyone will think about it, ... He will most easily understand that we are justified not by reason or by the Law. ... For the Gospel shows another way. The Gospel compels us to make use of Christ in justification. The Gospel teaches that through Christ we have access to God through faith. It teaches that we ought to set Him as Mediator and Atoning Sacrifice against God's anger. The Gospel teaches that through faith in Christ the forgiveness of sins and reconciliation are received, and the terrors of sin and of death are overcome. Paul also says that righteousness is not of the Law, but of the promise. The Father has promised that He wants to forgive, that for Christ's sake He wants to be reconciled. This promise, however, is received through faith alone, as Paul testifies in Romans 4:13. This faith alone receives the forgiveness of sins, justifies, and regenerates. Then love and other good fruit follow. Therefore, we teach that a person is justified (as we have said above) when conscience, terrified by the preaching of repentance, is cheered and believes that for Christ's sake it has a reconciled God. "Faith is counted as righteousness [before God]" (Romans 4:3, 5). When the heart is cheered and quickened through faith in this way, it receives the Holy Spirit. He renews us, so that we are able to keep the Law, to love God and God's Word, to be submissive to God in afflictions, to be chaste, to love our neighbour, and so on. Even though these works are far from the perfection of the Law, on account of faith they please God. Through faith we are accounted righteous, because we believe that for Christ's sake we have a reconciled God.

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Dates for Your Diaries		
What's happening in Fareham?		
This Week		
Today	4.30 pm	Service at Brighton Mission
Tue	8.45 am	Matins
Wed	10.30 am	Pastor's Surgery at the Hub
	3 pm	Devotion at Merry Hall
	7 pm	Vespers
Thu	8.45 am	Matins
	3.15 pm	Drama Club at Orchard Lea
	7.30 pm	Bible study at the Parsonage
Fri	8.45 am	Matins
Sun	10.30 am	Divine Service
This Month		
24 Sep	2 pm	Devotion at Willow Tree Lodge
26 Sep	3 pm	Bible study at Brighton Mission
28 Sep	5 pm	Pastor at Oxford Mission
Further ahead		
3-4 Oct		ELCE Annual Synod (Ruislip)
5 Oct		Harvest Festival and lunch
14 Oct		Pester-a-Pastor in Winchester
27-29 Oct		Holiday Club

God willing, the next service will be held on 12 October at 4.30 pm

The next Bible study will be on Friday, 26 September at 3 pm.