

Outdoor Worship

July 6, 2025

Opening

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Praise the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

C: Those who keep the Sabbath and call it a delight shall rejoice in God's kingdom.

P: All who hallow the seventh day shall be gladdened by God's goodness.

C: This day is the festival of the spirit, sanctified and blessed by God, the most precious of days, a symbol of the joy of creation.

Gathering Hymn



Lord pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - a - ry
I will live Lord, as you ask me,
With your Spir - it, Fath-er, fill me;
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,



pure and ho - ly tried and true - -
find - ing truth in your com - man - -
let me know your pres-ence he - - -
Al - le - lu - ia, A - men. _____



- With thanks - giv - ing I'll be a li - ving
ds 'Gainst all e - vils and temp - ta - tions,
re. I am long - ing for your sal - va - tion.
— Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,



sanc - tu - a - ry fo - r you.
as your faith - ful, I will stand.
Come, I want you to be near.
Al - le - lu - ia, A - men.

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.

Dialog & Prayer of the Day

P: For the beauty of the earth, Creator God,

C: We give you thanks.

P: For the rich abundance of the natural order, Lord,

C: We give you thanks.

P: For the many ways that you provide for all creation, Sustainer,

C: We give you thanks.

P: For the material things that enable our survival and provide for our comfort, gracious God,

C: We give you thanks.

P: As we strive first for the Kingdom of God and its righteousness,

C: Teach us to pursue the work of justice.

P: We live in a world that has the resources to satisfy everyone's hunger, if only we will share our food.

C: Teach us to love kindness.

P: We long to live lives characterized by reckless generosity and hospitality.

C: Teach us to walk humbly with you.

P: We commit to sharing all that you have entrusted to us with all people,

C: That in so doing, we might be transformed into more faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

P: Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, come nurture our hearts, our minds and our souls with the wisdom of your word, the grace of your table and the encouragement of our fellowship. Refresh and sustain us for this life and for our hope in the eternal life promised through your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Then, before the whole gathering of the people of Israel as they stood ready to enter the Promised Land, Moses sang this song to the very end:

Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak;
let the earth hear the words of my mouth.
May my teaching drop like the rain,
my speech condense like the dew;
like gentle rain on grass, like showers on new growth.
For I will proclaim the name of the Lord;
ascribe greatness to our God!
The Rock, the Lord's work is perfect,
and all the Lord's ways are just.
A faithful God, without deceit,
just and upright is the Lord . . .
Remember the days of old,
consider the years long past;
ask your father, and he will inform you;
your elders, and they will tell you. . .

Moses sang all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Joshua son of Nun. And, when Moses had finished this song before all Israel, he said to them: "Take to heart all the words that I am giving in witness to you today; give them as a command to your children, so that they may diligently observe all the words of this law. This is no trifling matter for you, but rather your very life; through it you may live long in the land that you are crossing over the Jordan to possess."

Reader: The Word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

*Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of God's name;
give to the Lord glorious praise.*

**Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great power,
your enemies cringe before you.**

*All the earth worships you;
they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name."*

**Come and see what God has done:
God is awesome in what God does among us.**

*Bless our God, O peoples,
let the sound of God's praise be heard,
who has kept us among the living,
and has not let our feet slip.*

**Come and hear, all you who fear God,
and I will tell what God has done for me.**

*I cried aloud to God,
and God was extolled with my tongue.*

**If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.**

*But truly God has listened;
God has given heed to the words of my prayer.*

**Blessed be God,
because God has not rejected my prayer
or removed God's steadfast love from me.**

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 8th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Luke 8

After Jesus calmed the wind and the waves, he and his disciples sailed down to the country of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. As Jesus disembarked, this guy from the city who was possessed by demons met him. For a long time this guy had not lived in a house, but lived naked among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, this guy fell down before him and with a great voice said, "What is there between you and me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you not to torment me!" Now, on the hillside there a rather large herd of pigs was feeding and the demons strongly implored Jesus to let them enter these

pigs. So, Jesus gave them permission to go into the pigs and the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs. Then, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank and into the lake and they all drowned.

People came out to see what had happened. When they got to Jesus, they found the guy from whom the demons had gone out sitting at the feet of Jesus, fully dressed and in his right mind. And everyone was afraid. Those who had seen what had happened told the others how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. And everyone from all around the whole country of the Gerasene's asked Jesus to leave them; for they were gripped with great fear. And getting into the boat, Jesus headed back to where he came from.

But, as Jesus was embarking, that guy from whom the demons had gone out begged that he might be with Jesus.

But Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home and share thoroughly how much God has done for you."

So, that guy went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

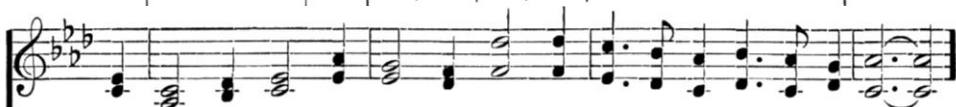
P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *While Passing Through this World of Sin*



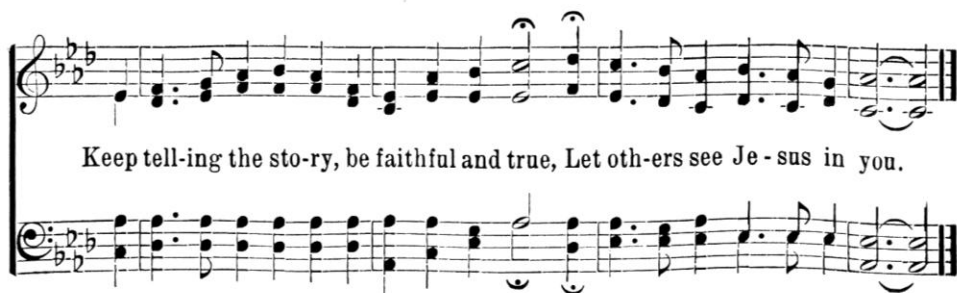
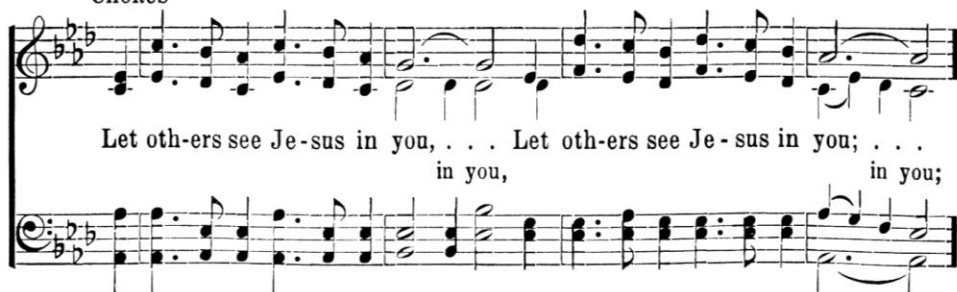
1. While pass-ing thro' this world of sin, And oth-ers your life shall view,
2. Your life's a book be-fore their eyes, They're reading it thro' and thro';
3. What joy 'twill be at set of sun, In man-sions be-yond the blue,
4. Then live for Christ both day and night, Be faith-ful, be brave and true,



Be clean and pure with-out, with-in, Let oth-ers see Je-sus in you.
Say, does it point them to the skies, Do oth-ers see Je-sus in you?
To find some souls that you have won; Let oth-ers see Je-sus in you.
And lead the lost to life and light; Let oth-ers see Je-sus in you.



CHORUS



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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 & Passing of the Peace

Words of Institution

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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and responsible that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. We recall and proclaim that in your great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who came as the Messiah, reaching out to heal the sick and suffering, preaching good news to the poor, and inviting all to your table through his sacrifice on the cross.

In that night in which he was handed over . . .

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray.

C: We rejoice that you use the harvests of the field, the fruit of the vineyard and the fellowship of the table to fulfill your promise of an abiding presence in our lives. As we leave this sacred time lead us out to faithful lives that manifest that presence through all that we say and do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Benediction

Recessional



1. Read-y to suf - fer grief or pain, Read-y to stand the test;
2. Read-y to go, read - y to bear, Read-y to watch and pray;
3. Read-y to speak, read - y to think, Read-y with heart and mind;
4. Read-y to speak, read - y to warn, Read-y o'er souls to yearn;

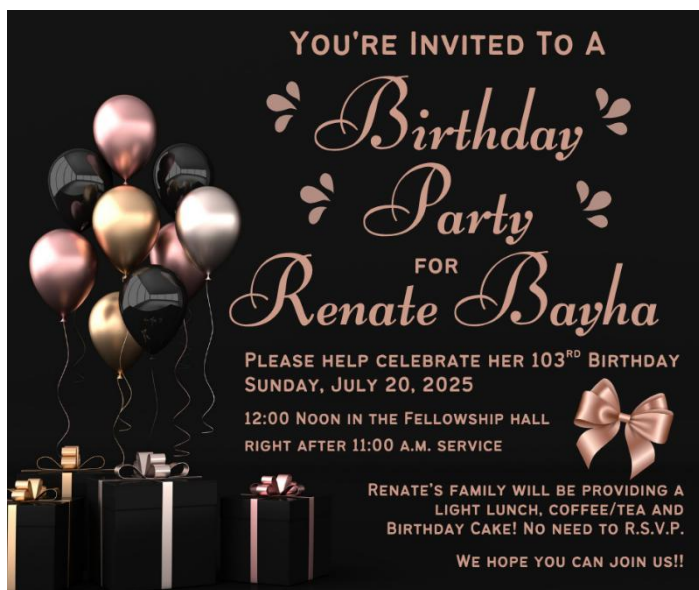


Read-y to stay at home and send Oth-ers if He sees best.
 Read-y to stand a - side and give Till He shall clear the way.
 Read-y to stand where He sees fit, Read-y His will to find.
 Read-y in life or read - y in death, Read-y for His re - turn.

Read - y to go, read - y to stay, Read-y my place to fill;

Read-y for serv - ice low - ly or great, Read-y to do His will.

Dismissal A: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!



YOU'RE INVITED TO A
Birthday Party
 FOR
Renate Bayha

PLEASE HELP CELEBRATE HER 103RD BIRTHDAY
 SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025
 12:00 NOON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
 RIGHT AFTER 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

RENATE'S FAMILY WILL BE PROVIDING A
 LIGHT LUNCH, COFFEE/TEA AND
 BIRTHDAY CAKE! NO NEED TO R.S.V.P.
 WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!!