

Outdoor Worship

July 13, 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.

Be careful to obey this entire commandment that I, Moses, command you Israelites today, so that you may live and multiply, and enter and occupy the land that the Lord promised on oath to your ancestors. Remember the long way that the Lord your God has led you (these forty years) in the wilderness, in order to humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep God's commandments. God humbled you and made you hungry, then God fed you with manna, with which neither you nor your ancestors were acquainted, in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone, but by everything that comes from the mouth of God.

The clothes on your back did not wear out and your feet did not swell these forty years. Know then in your heart that just as one disciplines one's child, so Yahweh your God disciplines you.

Keep the commandments of the Lord your God, walking in God's ways and fearing God.

When Yahweh your God is bringing you into a good land - a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper . . . and you eat and have enough and bless Yahweh your God for the good land that God has given you, be careful lest you forget Yahweh your God by failing to keep the commandments, the ordinances, and the statutes, which I am commanding you today. Lest when you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, your heart then becomes proud and you forget the Lord your God - who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, with poisonous snakes and scorpions, a thirsty place where there was no water who made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, in order to humble you and to test you, and to do you good in the end, and you say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth."

But remember Yahweh your God, for it is God who gives you power to get wealth, so that God may confirm the covenant that God swore to your ancestors, as God is doing today.

*The Lord is gráacious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

**The Lord is good to all,
the Lord's compassion is over all that the Lord has made.**

*The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.*

**You open your hand,
satisfying the desire of every living thing.**

*The Lord is just in all God's ways,
and kind in all God's doings.*

**The Lord is near to all who call on the Lord,
to all who call on the Lord in truth.**

*The Lord fulfills the desire of all who fear the Lord;
The Lord also hears their cry, and saves them.*

**The Lord watches over all who love the Lord,
but all the wicked, the Lord will destroy.**

*My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and all flesh will bless the Lord's holy name forever and ever..*

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Luke 9

Taking the disciples with him, Jesus withdrew with them alone to a city called Bethsaida. But the crowds, having realized it, followed him. Jesus welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and those who needed healing, Jesus healed. And as the day was drawing to a close, the twelve apostles came to Jesus and said, "Tell the crowd you are finished for the evening, so that they can go into the surrounding villages and fields to lodge and find provisions, for we are here in a deserted place."

But Jesus said to the apostles, "You give them something to eat." They said, "We have no more than five loaves and two fish--you don't expect us to be going out to buy food for all these people, do you?" (For there were about 5,000 men!)

And Jesus said to his disciples, "Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each."

They did so and made them all sit down.

And taking the five loaves and the two fish, and having looked up into heaven, Jesus blessed and broke them and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And everyone ate and were filled. And it took twelve baskets to cart away the abundant leftovers!

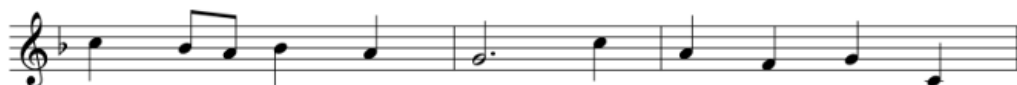
P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *They Came A Milling Crowd* [tune: ELW 454]



1. They	came,	a	mill -	ing	crowd,	And
2. And	then,	when	eve -	ning	came,	They
3. How	great	the	mys -	ter -	y!	The
4. Come,	friends,	and	share	the	feast;	Here
5. All	praise	to	you,	O	Christ,	By



gath -	ered	round	the	Lord.	He	loved	them	with	a
hun -	gered	and	were	fed	From	of -	fered	loaves	he
loaves	were	mul -	ti -	plied,	And	still	we	feed	up -
drink	the	wine	sup -	plied	By	him	who	is	both
whom	we	now	are	fed.	Our	Host,	a -	gain	you



shep -	herd's	heart	And	fed	them	with	his	Word.
blessed	and	broke	And	made	their	liv -	ing	bread.
on	the	crumbs	And	still	are	sat -	is -	fied!
guest	and	host;	For	us,	the	cru -	ci -	fied.
share	with	us	Your -	self,	the	liv -	ing	bread.

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

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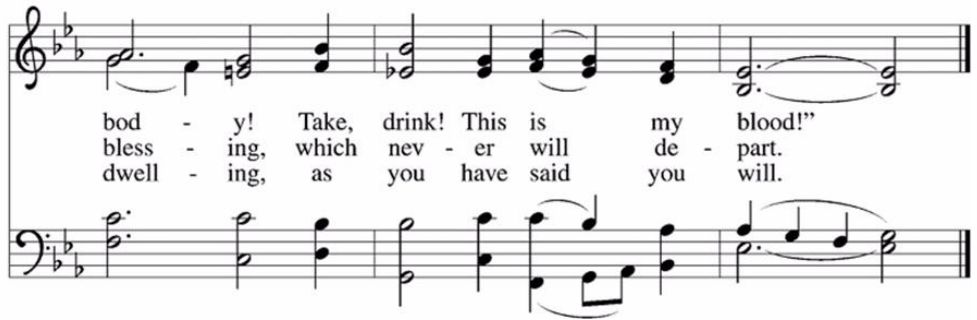
1 A - round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
 2 We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord, your call;
 3 We are your own for - ev - er; un - til our fi - nal breath



to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
 your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
 we will be true and nev - er— in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
 It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
 de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



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



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