

Outdoor Worship

July 20, 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.

Abraham Shows Hospitality to His Guests

Now Yahweh, God, was seen by Abraham, the great patriarch of ancient days, by the "Oaks of Mamre," while Abraham sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and saw, here, three men standing opposite him. When Abraham saw them he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground.

Abraham said, "My lords, pray, if I find favor with you, pray, do not pass by your servant. Pray, let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread, that you may refresh your hearts, and after that you may pass on--for you have, after all, passed your servant's way!" So, the three travelers said, "Do as you have said."

And Abraham ran quickly into the tent to his wife, Sarah, the great matriarch of old, and said, "Quickly! Three measures of choice flour - knead it -make cakes!!"

Then Abraham ran to the oxen, and took a young ox, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who rushed quickly to prepare it. Then Abraham got together some cream and milk and the young ox that the servant had finished preparing, and set it before the three travelers. Then Abraham stood opposite them, under the tree, while the travelers ate.

The travelers said to Abraham, "Where is your wife, Sarah?"

And Abraham said, "Over there, in the tent."

Then one of the travelers said, "I will come back, yes, I will come back to you at the right time of the year, and your wife Sarah will have had a son."

Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.

Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age, and Sarah was no longer a woman young enough to become pregnant.

So when Sarah heard the traveler make his prediction, she laughed to herself, saying, "After I have become worn out, is there to be pleasure for me??? Even my husband is old!"

But Yahweh said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Will I indeed bear a child now that I am old?' Is anything beyond Yahweh? At the set time I will return to you, at the right time of the year, and Sarah will have had a son."

Sarah pretended, saying, "No, I did not laugh"; for she was afraid.
But he said, "No, indeed, you laughed."

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

Psalm

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*O Lord, who may abide in your tent?
Who may dwell on your holy hill?*

**Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,
and speak the truth from their heart; R**

*Who do not slander with their tongue,
and do no evil to their friends,*

**Nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;
in whose eyes the wicked are despised, R**

*But who honor those who fear the Lord;
who stand by their oath even to their hurt;*

**Who do not lend money at interest,
and do not take a bribe against the innocent.**

*Those who do these things
shall never be moved. R*

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Mary and Martha Host Jesus

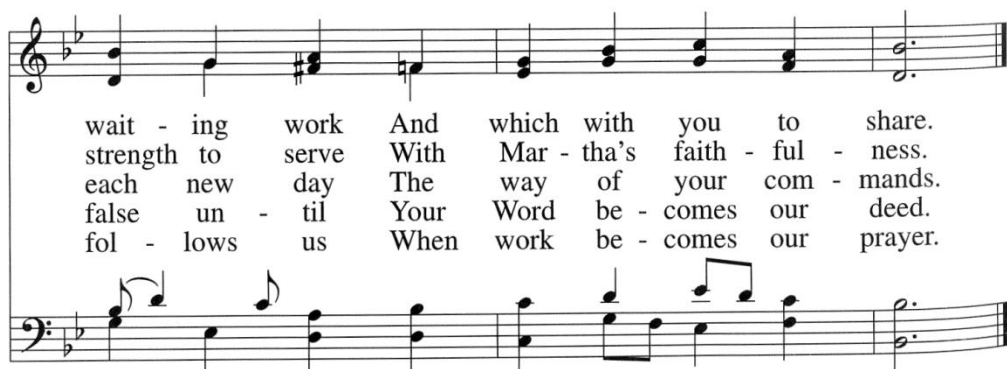
Now, as Jesus and the disciples continued on, Jesus went into a certain village and woman, named Martha, welcomed him. And Martha had a sister, named Mary, and Mary, hearing Jesus' Word, was drawn to sit at the Lord's feet. But Martha was being drawn dizzyingly around by so much service. When she abruptly appeared over Jesus and Mary, Martha said, "Lord, how can you have no concern about my sister abandoning me to do all this service alone?! Speak to her, so that she will join in and help me." But the Lord answered her saying, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and being troubled around many things, but there is only one need, for Mary chose the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

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

*Sermon**Hymn of the Day*


1. Lord, grant us grace to know the time Of
 2. We seek your Word, as Mar - y sought; We
 3. Your Word a - lone gives need - ed pow'r To
 4. But you have taught that love is feigned That
 5. We thank you, Lord, for qui - et time To

ac - tion or of prayer, Which hour to crowd with
 wait in qui - et - ness, And yet we ask for
 strength - en wea - ry hands And helps us see in
 fails a neigh - bor's need, That faith we claim is
 cast our care on you And for your Word that



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 ARE INVITED TO A
 BIRTHDAY PARTY

for

Renate Bahia's

103RD BIRTHDAY!

JULY 20, 2025

12:00 Noon in the Fellowship Hall
 Immediately following 11:00 a.m. service

No need to R.S.V.P.
 We hope you can join us!