

Outdoor Worship

August 18, 2024

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:

C: God of wisdom, understanding and truth, you have always offered us the proper perspective on life and how to live faithfully, fruitfully and with a contented hope. We give you thanks for the teaching and example of Jesus, our Shepherd and guide, our bread for life now and in the age to come. Fill us with the Spirit as we listen to the Word, as we seek Him at his table, as we build each other up in Christian love and as we renew our

commitment to walk about faithfully this week, revealing our identity as your people in all that we will say and do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

First Lesson *Ephesians 5:15-20 (a continual reading)*

The author writes: Pay careful attention to how you walk about! Do not act like someone who is unwise but as someone who is wise, making the most of this critical time, because the days are evil! Do not lose your proper perspective because of what you see happening around you! Instead, always try to understand what the Lord's will is in these times. Be filled with the Spirit of hope, not the wine of hopelessness! Speak the psalms and sing hymns and spiritual songs together, singing and making the melody of your hearts known to the Lord, giving thanks always, above everything else, all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and God the father!

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

Psalm **Psalm 34**

*Fear the Lord, you that are his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing.*

**The young lions lack and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good. R**

*Come, children, and listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.*

**Who among you loves life
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?**

*Keep your tongue from evil-speaking
and your lips from lying words.*

**Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.**

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 6th chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus continued teaching by saying . . . "I am the living bread that has come down from heaven. If anyone may eat from this bread, they will live into the age; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Then the Jews quarreled with one another saying, "How does he have the power to give us the flesh to eat?"

So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, if you may not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in yourselves. Those eating my flesh and drinking my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those eating my flesh and drinking my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live through the Father, so those eating me will live through of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. Those eating this bread will live into The Age."

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Blessed Jesus Living Bread* [tune: ELW 373]



Bless - ed Je - sus, liv - ing Bread, By your self our - souls are fed;
 No more per - fect food is there Than the food you come to share,
 On that ta - ble made of wood Lies our sac - ra - ment - al food:
 We are in that crowd you fed With your blest, a - bun - dant Bread.



Give us all the eyes to see All that you were sent to be.
 Not to be ad - mired a - lone, lest one spurn it for a stone.
 "Take and eat and live" you call, "Here is life for each and all."
 Moved by ev - 'ry hu - man care, Bless the Bread we eat and share.

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

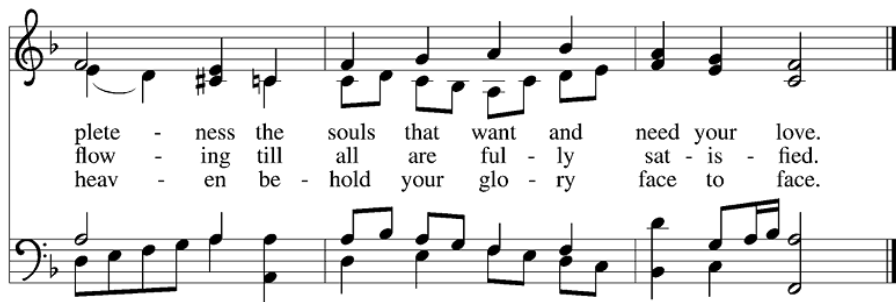
O Bread of Life from Heaven

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1 O bread of life from heav - en, O food to pil - grims
 2 O fount of grace re - deem - ing, O riv - er ev - er
 3 We love you, Je - sus, ten - der, in all your hid - den

giv - en, O man - na from a - bove: feed
 stream - ing from Je - sus' wound - ed side: come
 splen - dor with - in these means of grace. Oh,

with the bless - ed sweet - ness of your di - vine com -
 now, your love be - stow - ing on thirst - ing souls, and
 let the veil be riv - en, and our clear eye in



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



Sunday, August 18

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Outdoor worship in the
 Memorial Garden

Monday, August 19

7:00 p.m. Social Ministry/Green Team
 Meeting

Tuesday, August 20

7:30 a.m. Finance Meeting

Wednesday, August 21

Last Day to Donate to School Supply Drive

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group

Sunday, August 25

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Last Outdoor worship for the summer!

**Bible
Study
Tuesday
@ Grace**

**Returning
9/3!!**

6:30 a.m.
Breakfast & Bible Study in-person
A Chapter a Week in Ecclesiastes

11:00 a.m.
Online & In-person @ Grace
Reading Through Isaiah

7:00 p.m.
Online Video Conference
Reading Through the Old Testament

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

BEGINS



Sunday School Opening
Sunday 9/8 @ 9:45

To Learn More
To Sing To Pray Together



CONFIRMATION

7TH & 8TH GRADES



Weekly Classes Begin

Sunday Sept 8 @ 9:45 am or

Tuesday Sept 10 @ 4:30 pm



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