



*What do the Mustard Seed
and the Yeast
Have in Common?*

Luke 13:18-21

The Kingdom of God is Like ...



8:30

9:45

11:00

Prelude

Confession & Absolution

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

C: Amen

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.

A: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]

A: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]

A: Almighty God, merciful Father:

C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.

P: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, in obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare the entire forgiveness of all your sin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ers,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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

Kyrie

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P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Hymn of Praise

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1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: Heavenly Father, in his preaching, teaching, healing and life of compassion and obedience, your Son embodied the Kingdom of God. Fill us with the Spirit, that as we listen to your word, gather at your table and sing your praises, we, too, will be inspired to embody your Kingdom in all that we say and do. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

First Lesson

Isaiah II

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

*I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.*

**Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.**

*Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
The Lord's greatness is unsearchable.*

**One generation will laud your works to another,
and will declare your mighty acts.**

*On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.*

**The might of your awesome deeds shall be
proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness.**

*They will celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,
and will sing aloud of your righteousness.*

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

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

**All your works will give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful will bless you.**

*They will speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power,
to make known to all people your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.*

**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

*The Lord is faithful in all the Lord's words,
and gracious in all the Lord's deeds.*

**The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

*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 the Lord's ways,
and kind in all the Lord'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.*

Second Lesson

Revelation 13

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of the Lord's Messiah, and the Messiah will reign forever and ever."

Then the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, singing,

"We give you thanks, Lord God Almighty,
who are and who were,
for you have taken your great power
and begun to reign.

The nations raged,
but your wrath has come,
and the time for judging the dead,
for rewarding your servants, the prophets
and saints and all who fear your name,
both small and great,
and for destroying those who destroy the earth."

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of God's covenant was seen within God's temple; and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

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

Verse

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Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 13th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Luke 13

Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, a woman's spirit was experiencing weakness for eighteen years, bending her over and not giving her the strength to straighten up completely.

But seeing her, Jesus called to her and said, "Woman, you are released from this weakness."

And Jesus laid his hands on her and instantly she was straightened, and she glorified God.

But in response the leader of the synagogue, who was indignant because Jesus healed on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days in which it is divinely ordained to work. In those, then, come to be healed - not on the Sabbath day."

But answering him, the Lord said, "Hypocrites, does not each of you on the Sabbath let loose his ox or his donkey from the manger, and having led it away, it drinks? But this woman, who is a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound, behold, for ten and eight years, is it not divinely ordained to release her from this bond on the sabbath day?"

And when Jesus said this, all those who were opposing him were shamed, and the whole crowd rejoiced over all the glorious things being done by Jesus.

Therefore, Jesus said, "What is the kingdom of God like and to what will I liken it? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and then threw into his garden, where it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the heaven tabernacled in its branches."


And again, Jesus said, "To what will I liken the kingdom of God? It is like yeast, which having taken, a woman encrypts into flour - three measures - until it ferments completely."

And Jesus passed on through towns and villages, making his journey into Jerusalem.


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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *We Plant a Grain of Mustard Seed*



1 We plant a grain of mus - tard seed, and in our faith we find
 2 Our ac - tions, more than words, de - fine how love's ex - am - ple feeds
 3 When stooped to lend a help - ing hand, we find a touch that heals,
 4 Make love our pur - pose, love our aim, for love en - dures all things,



the proof of God is love, in - deed, which blos - soms from its kind.
 a great - er love, for love di - vine bursts forth from small - est seeds.
 for love in - vest - ed will ex - pand to bear the fruit love yields.
 and choos - ing love our lives will claim the peace for - give - ness brings.

5 So may our new be-gin-nings prove,
 like liv-ing bread and wine,
 that through our com-mon hu-man love
 we taste what is di-vine;
 that through our com-mon hu-man love
 we taste what is di-vine.

6 Our lives will be ful-filled and blessed
 if through the seeds we've sown
 and by the love that we pro-ess
 the love of Christ is known;
 and by the love that we pro-ess
 the love of Christ is known.

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

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

A: Let us Pray

C: Living God, we praise you for the abundant blessings of this life. In humble recognition of the love you always show to us, we bring these gifts and ourselves as our thanks. Use them and us to bear the fruit of goodness and grace so that your glory will be known to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed . . .



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

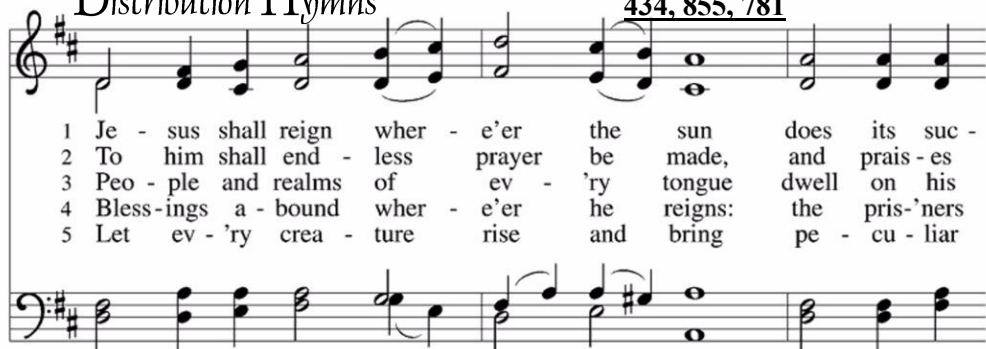
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

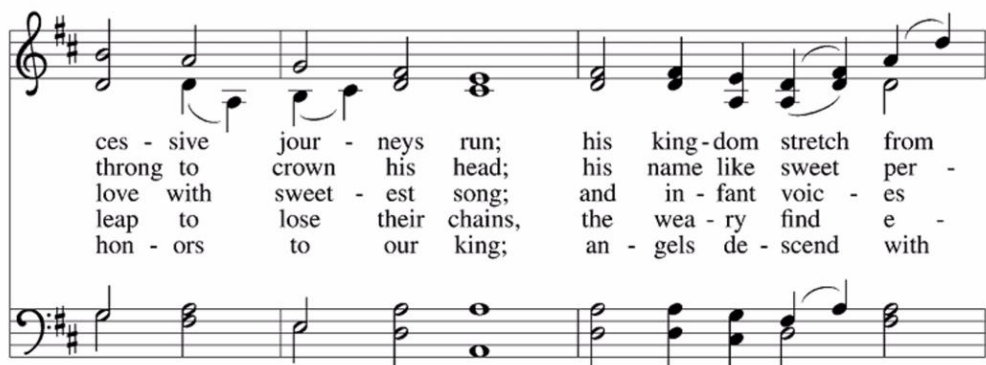
C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

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1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave time,
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.



Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,

- 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
- 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.
- 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
- 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär - nan ej på him - la - fäs - tet, få - geln ej i kän - da näs - tet.

nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.

From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.

un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.

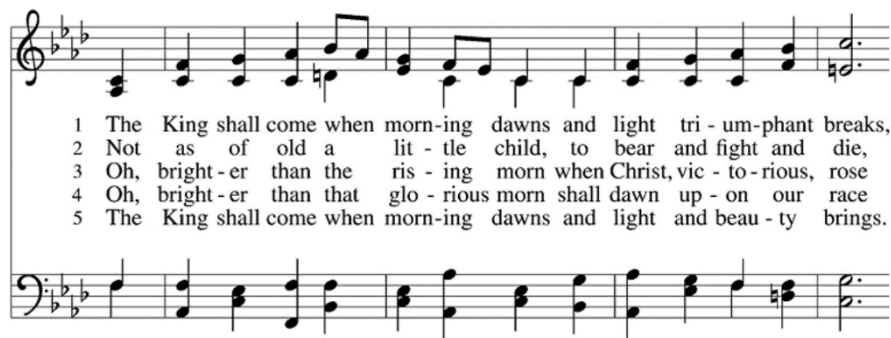
his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

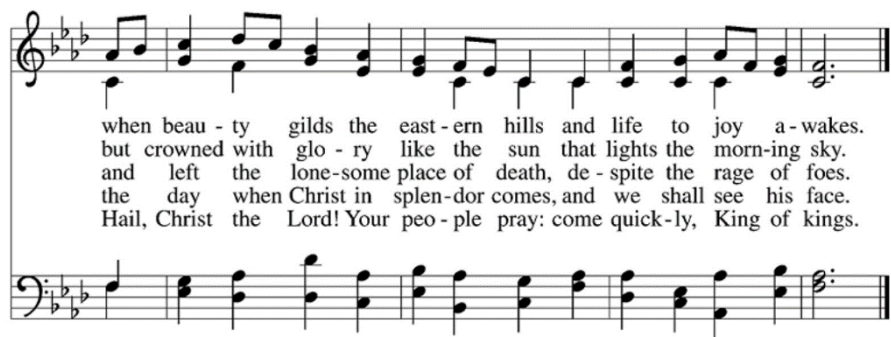
Benediction & Recessional

The King Shall Come

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- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri - um - phant breaks,
- 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, to bear and fight and die,
- 3 Oh, bright - er than the ris - ing morn when Christ, vic - to - rious, rose
- 4 Oh, bright - er than that glo - rious morn shall dawn up - on our race
- 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau - ty brings.



when beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills and life to joy a - wakes.

but crowned with glo - ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.

and left the lone - some place of death, de - spite the rage of foes.

the day when Christ in splen - dor comes, and we shall see his face.

Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: come quick - ly, King of kings.

Postlude & Dismissal



Sunday, August 24

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Outdoor worship in the memorial garden for the summer

11:00 a.m. Worship

Summer fellowship in the narthex after each service

Tuesday, August 26

7:30 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 27

9:00 a.m. Piecemakers Quilting Group

Sunday, August 31

8:30 a.m. Worship

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

11:00 a.m. Worship

Summer fellowship in the narthex after each service



SUNDAY SCHOOL **BEGINS!**



Sunday School Opening

Sunday 9/7 @ 9:45

To Sing To Learn More
To Pray Together



CONFIRMATION

7TH & 8TH GRADES

Weekly Classes Begin



Sunday Sept 7 @ 9:45 am *or*
Tuesday Sept 9 @ 4:30 pm



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Bible Study Tuesdays @ Grace

6:30 a.m.
In-person
Breakfast & Bible Study

11:00 a.m.
Online & In-person

3:30 p.m.
Online & In-Person

7:00 p.m.
Online

All Studies Begin September 9th!




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