

*Give us  
this bread  
always*

JOHN 6:34



### *Introduction*

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

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*All are welcome here*  
*All people of faith, All people of doubt*  
*All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression*  
*All people who seek a compassionate community*

*All are welcome here*  
*Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray*  
*Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks*  
*Welcome to serve God and neighbors*

*All are welcome here*  
*All are redeemed by a gracious God*



## *The Gathering*

### **Prelude Music**

*Bread of Life from Heaven* (setting by Edwin T. Childs, 2012 GIA Publications, Inc.)

*Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* (setting by Wayne L. Wold, 2001 Augsburg Fortress)

**Call to Worship** (inspired by Exodus 16:1-8, written by Tim Graves, and posted on his blog *LiturgyBits: Little bits for worship*. <https://liturgybits.wordpress.com/>)

PR The ads online, on TV, and everywhere we look shout:  
“Buy me! You deserve me! You’re only worthy with me!”

C **Some days we shout back: Enough!**

PR And other days we let a theology and attitude of scarcity overtake us.

C **On those days we allow what we have to define us, control us, and restrict us.**

A God provides enough.  
God created each of us as enough.  
God creates a world of abundance.

C **But our certainty of scarcity, our idolatry of the shiny, and our fears of others prevent us from gratitude, graciousness, and sharing.**

PR We live in an abundant world.

C **Our creator makes it so.**

PR Move our hearts, lessen our fears in this hour.

C **There is enough for all of us.**

PR Praise be to the God of Abundant Love!

C **Praise to the God of Enough!**

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

PR Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

C **Amen.**

PR Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

PR God, our provider,

C **help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

PR Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, † the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 475: *Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor*

1 Lord, en - throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, first - be -  
 2 Though the low - liest form now veil you as of  
 3 Pas - chal Lamb, your of - f'ring, fin - ished once for  
 4 Life - im - part - ing heav'n - ly man - na, strick - en

got - ten from the dead, you a - lone, our strong de -  
 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there your an - gels  
 all when you were slain, in its full - ness un - di -  
 rock with stream - ing side, heav'n and earth with loud ho -

fend - er, lift - ing up your peo - ple's head. Al - le -  
 hail you, branch and flow'r of Jes - se's stem. Al - le -  
 min - ished shall for - ev - er - more re - main, Al - le -  
 san - na wor - ship you, the Lamb who died, Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus, true and  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! We in wor - ship  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! cleans - ing souls from  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! ris'n, as - cend - ed,

liv - ing bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!  
 join with them; we in wor - ship join with them.  
 ev - 'ry stain; cleans - ing souls from ev - 'ry stain.  
 glo - ri - fied; ris'n, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

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 Music: BRYN CALFARIA, William Owen, 1814-1893


## Greeting

PR 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.

## Hymn of Praise


*Refrain*




This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:




Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and  
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

*Refrain*




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

*Refrain*



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

PR O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

## *The Word*

L A reading from the book of Exodus.

### **Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15**

<sup>2</sup> The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup> The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

<sup>9</sup> Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” <sup>10</sup> And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup> The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup> “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup> In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup> When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup> When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 78:23-29 (Read responsively by whole verse)**

<sup>23</sup> Yet he commanded the skies above  
and opened the doors of heaven;

<sup>24</sup> **he rained down on them manna to eat  
and gave them the grain of heaven.**

<sup>25</sup> Mortals ate of the bread of angels;  
he sent them food in abundance.

<sup>26</sup> **He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens,  
and by his power he led out the south wind;**

<sup>27</sup> he rained flesh upon them like dust,  
winged birds like the sand of the seas;

<sup>28</sup> **he let them fall within their camp,  
all around their dwellings.**

<sup>29</sup> And they ate and were well filled,  
for he gave them what they craved.

L A reading from the book of Ephesians.

### Ephesians 4:1-16

<sup>1</sup> I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup> But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup> Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;  
he gave gifts to his people.”

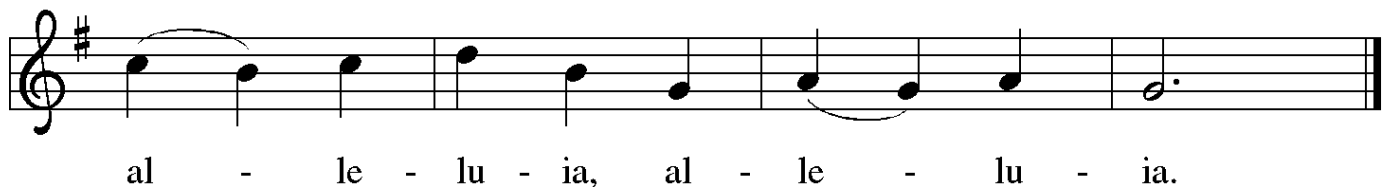
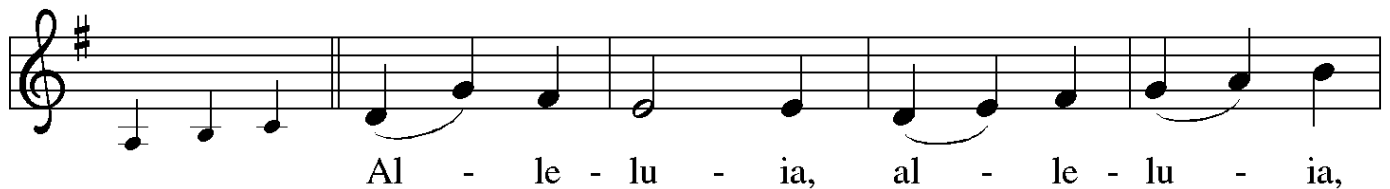
<sup>9</sup> (When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup> We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup> But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

L The word of the Lord.

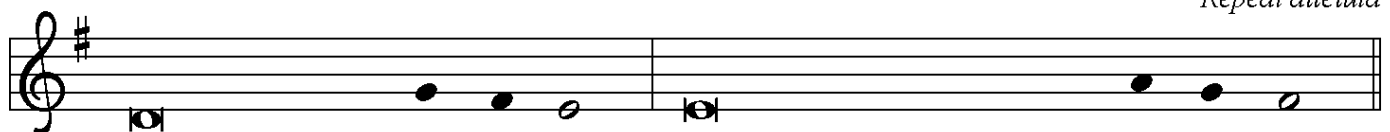
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### Gospel Acclamation



*Repeat alleluia*



One does not live by bread alone,\* but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

PR The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **John 6:24-35**

<sup>24</sup> When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” <sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” <sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” <sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” <sup>34</sup> They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

PR The Gospel of our Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Children’s Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Randy Schroeder**

*Stand*



Hymn of the Day, ELW (red), hymn 474, vs. 1, 3, & 5: *Bread of Life from Heaven*

*Refrain*

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en,

we eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

- |   |       |     |      |       |      |          |                  |            |
|---|-------|-----|------|-------|------|----------|------------------|------------|
| 1 | Break | now | the  | bread | of   | Christ's | sac - ri - fice; | giv - ing  |
| 2 | Seek  | not | the  | food  | that | will     | pass a - way;    | set your   |
| 3 | Love  | as  | the  | one   | who, | in       | love for you,    | gave him - |
| 4 | Dwell | in  | the  | one   | who  | now      | dwells in you;   | make your  |
| 5 | Drink | of  | this | cup   | and  | de -     | clare his death; | eat this   |

thanks, hun - gry ones,	gath - er round.	Eat,	all	of	you,	and	be
hearts on the food	that en - dures.	Come,	learn	the	true	and	the
self for the life	of the world.	Come	to	the	one	who	is
home in the life -	giv - ing Word.	Know	on - ly	Christ,	Ho - ly		
bread and be - lieve	Eas - ter morn;	trust	his	re -	turn	and,	with

sat - is - fied;	in	Christ's	pres -	ence	the	loaves	will	a -	bound.
liv - ing way,	that	the	full -	ness	of	life	may	be	yours.
food for you,	that	your	hun -	ger	and	thirst	be	no	more.
One of God,	and	be -	lieve	in	the	truth	you	have	heard.
ev - 'ry breath,	praise	the	one	in	whom	you	are	re -	born.

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PR **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**

A Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. (*A brief silence.*) O Wise One, your wisdom has been present in this world since its beginning. Pour out your wisdom into the hearts of the whole church, especially the newly baptized, lay leaders, deacons, pastors, and bishops. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A Holy God of all creation, you are the source of all life. Where the sun blazes hard and strong, bring a gentle breeze. In the places experiencing the cold of winter, bring your warmth. Bring your blessings to communities devastated by natural disasters, particularly those brought about by climate change. And we pray for all impacted by landslides in Ethiopia and India, flooding in North Korea, and storms and wildfires in the USA and Canada. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A Compassionate God, help government leaders of this world unite for peace and justice. Guide them toward de-escalation of political tensions around the world. We pray for nations where war and conflict rage, especially Palestine and Israel, Iran, Lebanon, Myanmar, Iraq, Haiti, Russia and Ukraine, Burkina Faso, Sudan, and South Sudan; for an end to occupation and oppression. Humble all who hold authority, that power is directed toward a more just society. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A Bread of life from heaven, you feed us. Fill all who hunger with needed nutrition and open our hearts to eliminate hunger in this world. May we see a day when all are fed. Merciful God,

**C receive our prayer.**

A Healing God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. We pray for victims of violence, especially those affected by the stabbings in the UK and for the safety and wellbeing of all involved in the Olympic games. We remember any who are sick or suffering especially John and Jeanette, Danny D., Zarema, Zera, and their family in Crimea, Zach, Lynn, Lawrence, Nathan and Haley, Sheila, Suzanne, Jean, Megan, families in our community who endure hunger, those who seek asylum or citizenship, and our beloved for whom death is near. Merciful God,

C **hear our prayer.**

A O Wisdom of truth, help us to understand your will for the church. Be with congregations experiencing transition, redevelopment, and the exciting yet frightening path of newness. May your wisdom be found at every step. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A May your Spirit surround us as we discern our way forward as OSLC. Help us to listen, notice, and connect to your Spirit's leadership. You have called us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we may go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love is supporting us. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

A Redeeming God, we give you thanks for the lives and witness of your saints now departed. Bring your beloved into eternal glory, opening wide the gates to the heavenly banquet. Merciful God,

C **receive our prayer.**

PR We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.

C **Amen.**

### **Peace**

PR The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

## *The Meal*

### **As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:**

For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshipping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played.

### **Offering**

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (Ted Heise is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option. His email address is [these@panix.com](mailto:these@panix.com))



*Stand*

## Offering Prayer

A Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.

Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.

Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.

C **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

PR The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

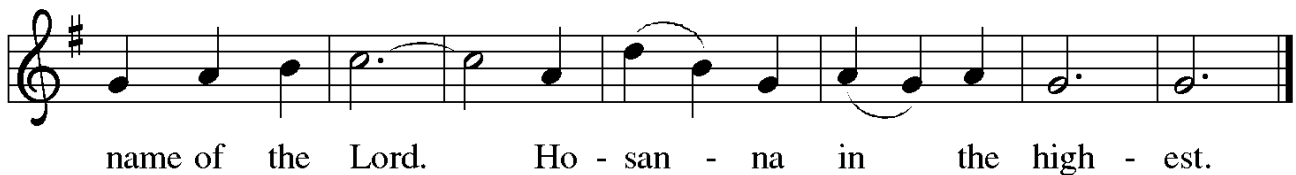
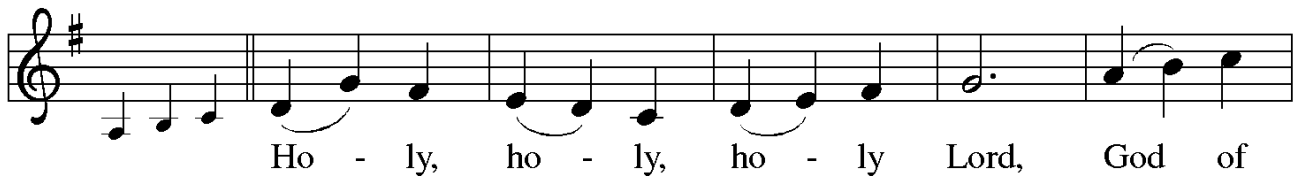
PR Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

PR Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PR It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



PR Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
who preached good news to the poor,  
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await his coming in glory.  
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

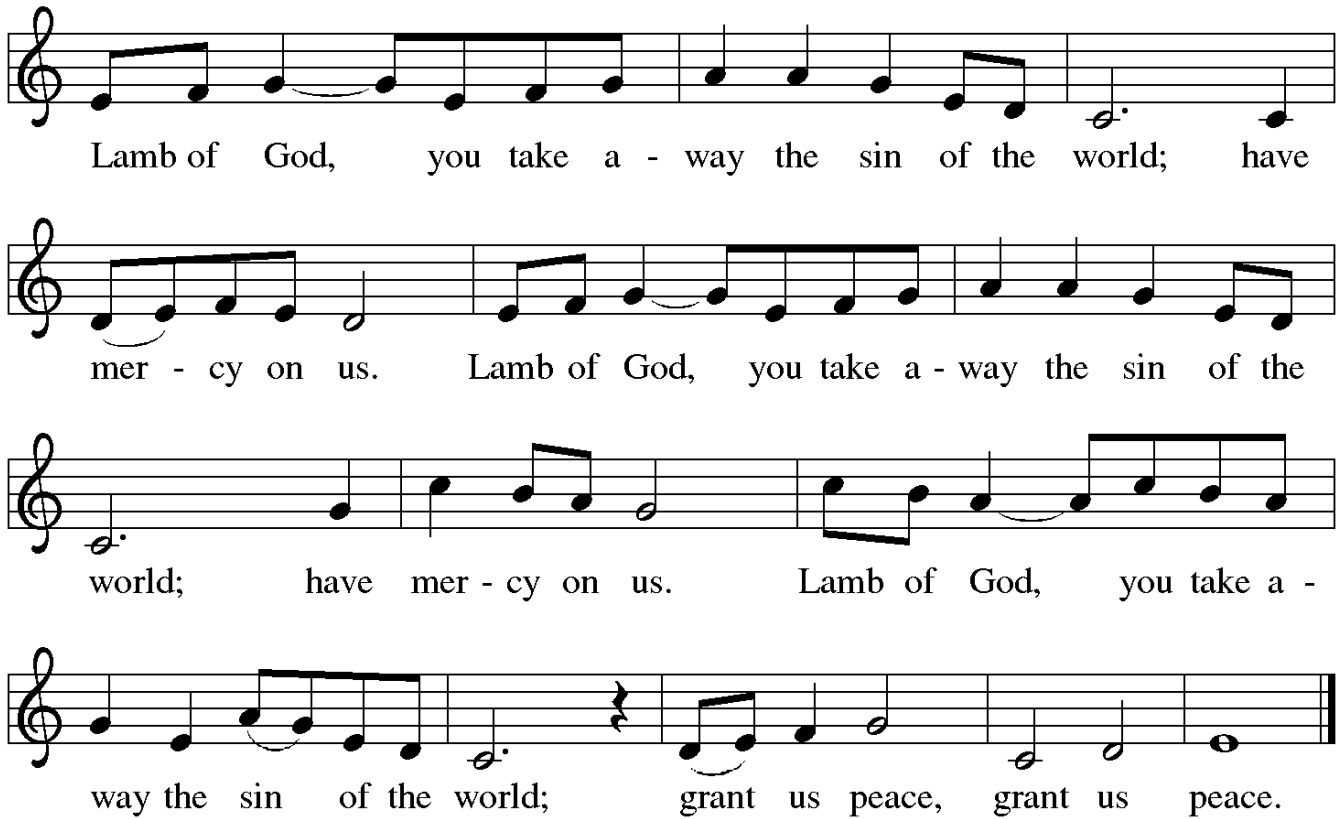
## Invitation to Communion

PR The table set by Jesus is open to all, and in resurrection Christ is present in this simple food and festive drink. Jesus welcomes friends and strangers to this feast, where the grace of God's love and goodness meet us wherever we are. Here we are welcomed, affirmed, and celebrated with the gifts of God, for us, the people of God.

## Distribution

*There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.*

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**Communion Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 487: *What Feast of Love***



1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?  
2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?  
3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en?  
What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

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**Stand**

PR The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and for ever.

C **Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion**

A Jesus, Bread of life,  
we have received from your table  
more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray.

C **Amen.**

# The Sending

## An Invitation

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), Hymn 647: *Glorious Things of You are Spoken*

1 Glo - rious things of you are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y  
2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -  
3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and  
4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a

of our God! He whose word can - not be bro - ken  
ter - nal love, well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters,  
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring,  
mem - ber am, let the world de - ride or pit - y,

formed you for his own a - bode. On the Rock of A - ges  
and all fear of want re - move. Who can faint, while such a  
show - ing that the Lord is near. Thus de - riv - ing from their  
I will glo - ry in your name. Fad - ing are the world's vain

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final four lines. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.



found-ed, what can shake your sure re - pose? With sal -  
 riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage? Grace which,  
 ban - ner light by night and shade by day, safe they  
 plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show; sol - id

va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.  
 like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.  
 feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.  
 joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.  
 Music: BLAENWERN, William P. Rowlands, 1860–1937

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## Blessing

PR The blessing of God,  
 who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
 ☩ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

## Dismissal

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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**Worship Assistants Today:** Beth Dana (Musician), Russ Hillberry (Cantor), Bob Nielsen (Assisting Minister), Dick Rahdert (Lector), Michaela, Zoe, & River Thompson (Usher), Mike Williams (A-V Specialist), Jesse Grogan (Assistant to Mr. Williams)

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**We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter.** The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

**Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop.** Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

**Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room:** The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

**Dates OSLC is Closed in 2024:**

September 2: Labor Day

November 28 and 29: Thanksgiving

December 24 and 25: Christmas

December 31 and January 1 (2025): New Years

**Centering Prayer Group**

Join us every Monday morning for Centering Prayer online via zoom from 9:00 – 9:30 am. The zoom link will be sent out on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

**Luncheon Lectio Divina- Praying with Scripture**

Join us every Wednesday at noon via zoom for Lectio Divina. The zoom link will be sent on Fridays with the worship zoom link.

**Women, Wine (or whatever your preferred beverage) & Feminine Spirituality**

Women, Wine (or whatever your preferred beverage) & Feminine Spirituality You are invited to join us on Sunday, August 25th, from 2:00-4:00 pm at Wildcat Creek Winery for Women, Wine, and Feminine Spirituality. (You do not need to be 21 to go to the winery; they sell soft drinks and wine.) We will discuss the Book Fierce Women of the Bible and Their Stories of Violence, Mercy, Bravery, Wisdom, Sex, and Salvation by Alice Connor. (You can click the link to purchase the book from Amazon.) We will discuss Chapter 5– Asherah: So God Had a Wife, Maybe? Probably. You do not need to read the previous chapters to be able to participate. Space is limited at the winery; please contact Missy at [missy@osluth.org](mailto:missy@osluth.org) or 260-402-4477 to let me know if you plan to attend.

**Purdue Football Game Parking**

It is that time of year again, Football season! That means we need parking attendant volunteers. Volunteers arrive three hours before the game, collect funds for the parking, and park the cars. (There are detailed instructions for the attendants.)

The parking proceeds go to our youth gathering event fund and PLM. The next youth gathering is in July 2027. PLM is taking the October 18th game. OSLC must fill the slots for the rest of the home games. Please click on the link or scan the QR code to the Sign Up Genius to find a date for when you can help. I will have a paper copy on the table near the office door. The first three games listed have times; the November game's time is TBD. I will update the Sign Up Genius as soon as I know the time. Thank

You! [Purdue Football Parking Sign-Up](#)



## Lutheran World Relief School Kits

OSLC's Faith Formation and Social Justice teams will again join together to collect items for Lutheran World Relief School Kits. Last year, we assembled and sent 90 school kits to children worldwide. The need is even greater this year. As we enter July, school supplies will begin to go on sale. This is the perfect time to buy these much-needed items for our school kits. Place items in the designated space near the office in the Narthex. Thank you for your generous support to this worthy cause.

- 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 ½"; no loose-leaf paper
- 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- pencil sharpeners
- blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- box of 16 or 24 crayons
- 2 ½" eraser



### Blessing of the Backpacks August 11th

All students are invited to bring their backpacks to church. Pastor Randy will bless the backpacks and offer prayers for the students beginning a new school year.

PRIDE!

Lafayette OUTFest  
August 17

Volunteer at the  
PLM/OSLC table



PLM and OSLC are teaming up to share a table at OUTFest on August 17. Sign up for a 2-hour shift to 'person' the table and help us celebrate the LGBTQIA+ community as a sign of God's abundant love for every person.

Questions? Email Pastor Kristin ([pastor@plm.org](mailto:pastor@plm.org))

**Prophet's Town State Park Outing for August 11th has been CANCELED.**





## About Our Nave

Against the north wall is the Tree of Life, designed by the late liturgical designer Charles Pohlmann and constructed in 1996 by then-OSLC member Ted Marshall. The processional cross was given to OSLC in memory of Jennie Dana. Many of our paraments were designed and hand-woven by OSLC member Bea Stromberg. The west wall is lined with seven wood carvings depicting the life of Christ commissioned from the late Nigerian carver Lamidi Fakeye. At the center of the nave stands a marble baptismal font, a gift from members of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The prints of paintings on the east wall are by nationally known liturgical artist He Qi. The center piece is given by the Church Council in honor of Sam Rasmy for his long-time service as Financial Secretary of OSLC. The Last Supper, by Guatemalan artist Angelina Quic Ixtamer, was purchased by the 2014 Guatemala Mission Team. The OSLC logo was redesigned in 2022 with elements reflecting the unique architecture of the sanctuary, the 2019 addition of the south stained-glass window, our affiliation with the ELCA, and the eternal presence of our Lord and Saviour.

References to the Tree of Life are found in both the Old and New Testaments. It has both literal and symbolic meaning for Christians: it is the literal tree of life in Genesis, and in Revelation it represents everlasting life granted to those who display fruits of the spirit and of righteousness aligned with God's principles.

### **Our Saviour's Vision, Mission, and Values** (October 4, 2018)

**Vision**                    *God calls us to be a community of discipleship for all,  
making Christ's love real in our daily lives.*

**Mission**                *Grow in faith and Christian calling  
Love and serve God and neighbor  
Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

**Values**                    *Centered in liturgical worship  
Outreach to campus and partnership with Purdue Lutheran Ministry  
Education and mentoring for all ages  
Responsible stewardship of resources  
Care, compassion and service in the local and global community*