

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord

May 8, 2022 9:30 AM - Fourth Sunday of Easter



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WELCOME

to Holy Trinity

Reconciling in Christ

At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—



regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.

You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.

You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.

Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.

You are wanted here.

A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today!

Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God.

Your presence at worship is a gift!

We love having children worship with us! At this moment, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests: Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

Emergency Pastoral Contact: If you need a Pastoral Visit, or you're experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact Mark in the Church office and he will provide you with the Contact Pastor information during daytime and after work (emergencies) hours. Email office@htelc.com or call (603)436-1704.

Donate to Holy Trinity: You can place your offering in the offering plate by the entrance of the sanctuary. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you. To give online, visit www.elexiogiving.com/App/Giving/htelc OR scan this QR code with the camera app on your phone.



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PRAYER CONCERNS

Health Issues: Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, George Parseghian,

Sarah Meier, Judy Hollister, Marilee Clark, Don Gindlesperger, Len Small.

Homebound: Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin.

Military: Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends

Tony Marques (Paulette Sirois' friend), Sue Fischer (Lois Kfoury's cousin), Sherry & Lauren (Shirley Jackson's sister and daughter), Bill Casale (Jessica Feeley's friend), Stephanie Vocell (Jeremy & Krystal Small's friend), Martha LaPerle (Betty King's friend), Cinda DeWerff (Rich Wilcox's sister), Evertt Thorne (Rich Wilcox's friend), Sage Pirnie (Jessica Feeley's friend's grandchild), Christine Karmen (Joan Bauer & Stephanie Goupil's friend), Anita Creager (Jill & Jerry Schock's friend), Katie (Shirley's Jackson family member).

Prayers will be listed for 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at office@htelc.com.

NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

The gift of new life, of eternal life, is the gift of the risen Christ. It is the promise of Jesus. It was true for Dorcas in Joppa. It was true for those "who have come out of the great ordeal" in the Revelation vision. It is true for us and for all the baptized: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

LECTIONARY (Readings)

This Week: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Next Week: Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock

Sound System: Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue

Altar Guild: Yvonne Topping Counters: Barry & Phyllis Philbrick

Lector: Shirley Jackson

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

TUESDAY, May 10

6:00 AM: Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, May 11

9:30 AM: Bible Study

THURSDAY, May 12

8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, May 15

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship (Pastor Luther's last Sunday)

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, May 1: 69 (*In-Person*) + 19 (*Online*) = 88 **Offering:** \$5,745.45

Announcements

Happy Mother's Day: We wish all mothers a wonderful Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for your kindness, your love, your hard work, and your support. We hope your children and your family give you a much needed day of relaxation and chocolate.

Pop-Up Pantry: Last week the PUP committee met and decided we would be closing the pantry on May 11. Lots of reasons; reduced visitors, loss of free food supply, inability to fully fund and our belief that this was a temporary ministry. It was Pastor Tim's idea on how he felt our church could help those in need during the pandemic. With the help of food and monetary donations from you and food donations from Gather, we were able to be out there every Wednesday beginning on July 8, 2020! Since then, we have distributed 2,072 bags during 95 straight weeks! We became like the post office, neither rain nor sleet nor snow....! It is with the utmost gratitude that we say a resounding **Thank You for Being There for Us!**

Semi-Annual Meeting will be June 12.

Nametags: Holy Trinity has now provided permanent and reusable nametags for our congregational members. You can find yours in your mailbox. If you find you don't have one of these nametags, please speak to the Church Office. Alternatively, you can still find the adhesive nametags at the table next to the bulletins.

Holy Trinity's Update to our Congregational Constitution: Toward the end of 2021, we undertook a review and revision of our Constitution. At the end of November, a task force led by Russ Hilliard and Mark Beliveau completed revisions to the constitution reflecting changes that are required by the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Additional changes to the proposed constitution reflect current ways in which we do business, such as allowing for electronic voting. The proposed constitution has been reviewed and approved by the Council, and will be reviewed and voted on by the congregation at the semi-annual meeting on June 12. Two documents are available for you to access and review prior to the meeting. One is a brief memo prepared by Russ briefly describing changes that you will find in the second document which is the proposed constitution. Paper copies are available in the church office. Please read the documents in preparation for discussion at the meeting.

Camp Calumet will have its annual fundraiser "Walk the Walk" again in the summer 2022. It will be the same event as 2021, where you will have to sign up at Calumet's webpage, donate \$25, and report your July & August miles to Holy Trinity's team captain (and Office Coordinator): Mark Donahue. He will in turn, combine all of our congregation's miles and report it to Camp Calumet. If you would like to join "Team Holy Trinity", please talk to Mark. Registration begins on May 15, and you can learn more info at calumet.org/giving/walkthewalk

MSP Workshop Adult Forum will be held on May 22 after worship. This adult forum will help our congregation write a new Ministry Site Profile for our future Pastor to find.

Graduation Sunday will be celebrated in June. If you know someone from Holy Trinity who will graduate from High School, College, Grad School, or another school this year and would like to be recognized, please speak with the Church Office or Helen Goransson.

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Sunday, May 8, 2022 — 9:30 a.m.

Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Please stand as able

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the waters of baptism, we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ, and we are a new creation. For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God, who was, who is, and who is to come.

—A brief silence—

P: We thank you, God, for your river of life, flowing freely from your throne: through the earth, through the city, through every living thing. You rescued Noah and his family from the flood; You opened wide the sea for the Israelites. Now in these waters you flood us with mercy, and our sin is drowned forever.

You open the gate of righteousness and we pass safely through. In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters. You nourish us and enclose us in safety. You call us forth and send us out. In lush and barren places, you are with us. You have become our salvation. Now breathe upon this water and awaken your church once more. Claim us again as your beloved and holy people. Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End, our Shepherd and Lamb, be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



- 1 O pen now thy gates of beau-ty, Zi on, let me en ter there,
- 2 Gra cious God, I come be fore thee; come thou al so un to me;
- 3 Here thy praise is glad ly chant-ed, here thy seed is du ly sown;
- 4 Thou my faith in-crease and quick-en, let me keep thy gift di-vine;
- 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer. where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be. let my soul, where it is plant-ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, how - so-e'er temp - ta - tions thick-en, may thy word still o'er me shine may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless-ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace! my heart, oh, To en - ter thou. let it be thy tem - ple now! that all hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me. SO my com-fort guid-ing star through life, as in all strife. my life the Here of foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.

Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

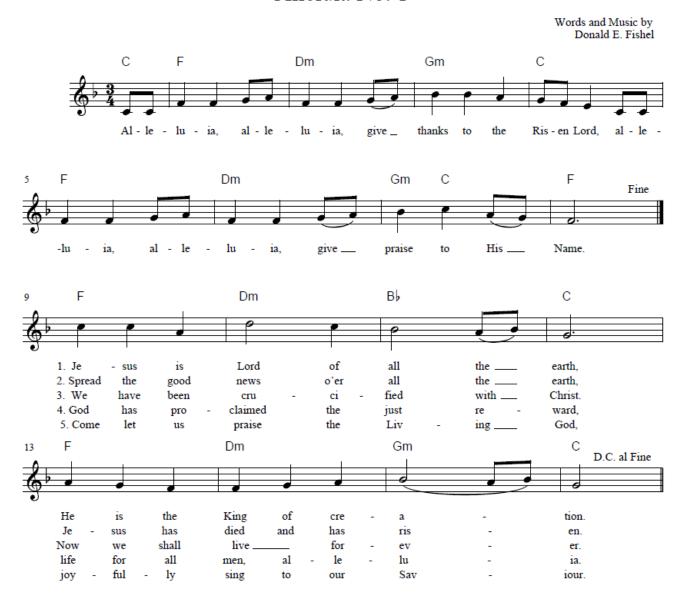
Apostolic Greeting

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.

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Alleluia No. 1



Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

First Reading

—Please be seated—

L: A reading from Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;

the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

- L: A responsive reading from Psalm 23
- L: ¹The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
- C: ²The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.
- L: ³You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- C: 4Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- L: ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- C: ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
- L: Word of God, word of life.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

Gospel Acclamation

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Please stand as able



Gospel

Please stand as able

P: The holy gospel according to St. John, Chapter 10:22-30

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and

they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

- P: The gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon —Please be seated—

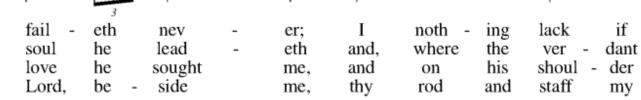
Hymn of the Day

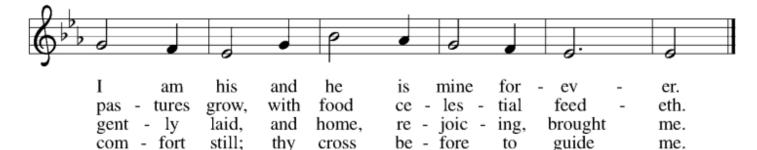
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Please stand as able

The King of Love My Shepherd Is







Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877 Music: St. Columba, Irish tune

Nicene Creed

P: Let us confess our faith using the Nicene Creed.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

LD: Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

—A brief silence—

LD: Gentle Shepherd, enable your church to respond to the voice of Jesus. Give us unfailing trust, unafraid to join in Jesus' work of renewing all things. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Feed your people at the table of creation. Prepare a safe place for those whose environments are dangerous or unhealthy, especially those making difficult journeys. Prosper your creation for the sake of every living thing. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: We lift before you all those whose work puts them in harm's way for the sake of others, especially first responders and servicewomen and men who are stationed around the world. Allow all people to return home safely and keep them close to you. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Warm the hearts of all who celebrate and all who mourn on Mother's Day. Accompany those yearning to be mothers. Help us to heal from broken family relationships and open us to receive your nurturing love from all who serve mothering roles in our lives. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence—God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone
Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos
Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and
the Holy Land and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria
Care Alliance and Camp Calumet. God, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

The Sharing of God's Peace

P: May the peace of the risen Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them. Please remain seated and avoid physical touch in the interests of everyone's health and safety.

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

Offertory Hymn

Church Choir

Offertory Prayer

- P: Let us Pray.
- C: Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the glass in the basket by the baptismal font or the lectern. Pre-filled Communion Cups are still available for anyone uncomfortable coming forward to the altar. If you would like to receive communion from the Pastor, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

Dialogue

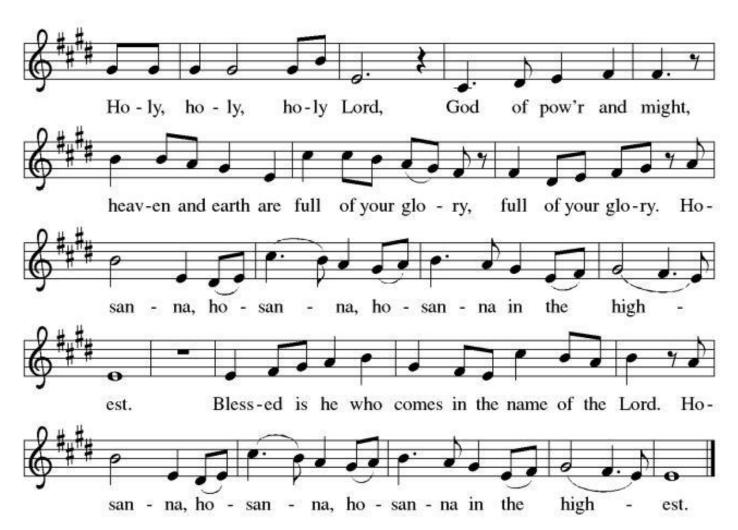
- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: 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. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Thanksgiving at the Table

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup, we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

P: Now, as our Lord taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Taste and See that the Lord is good.

Communion

Please be seated—

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

Communion Hymns:

While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. **Communion Hymn #1: ELW 782**

My Shepherd, You Supply My Need



- 1 My Shep-herd, you sup-ply my need; most ho ly is your name.
- 2 When I walk through the shades of death, your pres-ence is my stay;
- 3 The sure pro vi sions of my God at tend me all my days;



In pas - tures fresh you make me feed, be - side the liv - ing stream. one word of your sup-port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way. oh, may your house be my a - bode and all my work be praise.



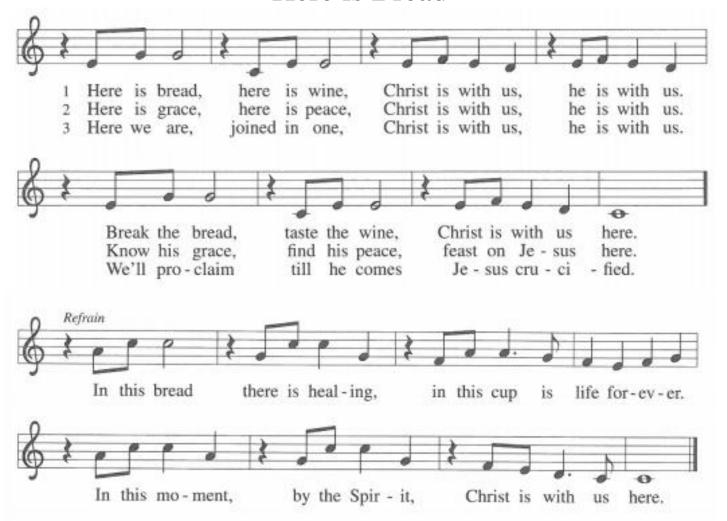
You bring my wan-d'ring spir - it back when I for - sake your ways, Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my ta - ble spread; Here would I find a set - tled rest, while oth - ers go and come;



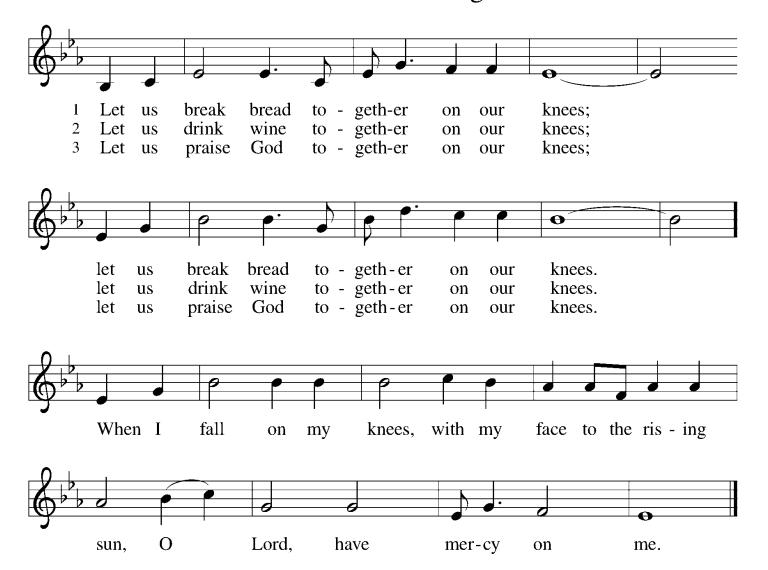
and lead me, for your mer-cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with bless-ings o - ver-flows, your oil a - noints my head.
no more a strang-er or a guest, but like a child at home.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt., based on Psalm 23 Music: RESIGNATION, North American traditional

Here is Bread



Let Us Break Bread Together



Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAL BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

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SENDING

The Prayer after Communion

C: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Announcements, Birthdays and Anniversaries

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

Benediction

Pastor Zeigler will now lead a blessing for the end of our worship service, leading into our Sending Hymn.

O Living Bread from Heaven



- 1 O liv ing Bread from heav en, how well you feed your guest!
- 2 My Sav-ior, you have led me with in your ho-liest place,
- 3 You gave me all I want ed; this food can death de stroy.
- 4 Oh, grant me then, well-strength-ened with heav'n-ly food, while here

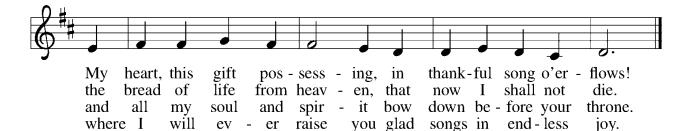


The gifts that you have and here your-self have And you have free - ly my course on earth is giv - en have fed me with grant - ed the length - ened, to

filled my heart with rest. trea - sures of your grace; cup of end - less joy. serve you, free from fear;



bless - ing! O O won-drous food of cup that heals our woes! for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown, bring me home to praise you where none can peace de - stroy,



Text: Johann Rist, 1607–1667; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

Dismissal

LD: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

LD: Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C: Thanks be to God.