

July 17, 2022 9:30 AM – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



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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 and leave a voicemail message.

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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, Steve Bush, Joyce Rivoire, Richard Anderson. *Homebound:* Carol Saufley, Edith Rowan, Barbara Werdelin, Ron Evers, Dave & Joyce Rivoire, Bernie Olsen, Anita Lindstrom. *Military:* Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot.

Friends

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), Katy (Shirley Jackson's daughter), Jay Bartel (Bobbi Febbo's son)

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

Perhaps the church, at its best, is "all ears." God urges the faithful, again and again, to "listen up!"—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

LECTIONARY (Readings)

This Week: Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42; Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52

Next Week: Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]; Luke 11:1-13; Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock Sound System: TBD Counters: Barry & Phyllis Philbrick Altar Guild: Julie Moore Liturgical Deacon: Tom Bernth Lector: Ken Galle

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, July 20 9:30 AM: Bible Study

THURSDAY, July 21 8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, July 24 9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, July 3: 38 (In-Person) + 52 (Online) = 90 Sunday, July 10: 60 (In-Person) + 13 (Online) = 73 Offering: \$10,806.90 Offering: \$5,568.45

Announcements

Baptized into Christ this morning is Riley Lillian Murphy, daughter of April and Finbarr Murphy.

Property Team Update – New Sign: So ... Where is the new church sign? I have written about various projected (promised) dates from our supplier, Stewart Sign Company in Sarasota, Florida. If you have followed the various dates as they have come and gone, you know it has been frustrating for all of us. But, there really is a sign! Manufacturing was completed in June and our sign (all 1400 pounds of it) was loaded onto a truck to our installer, NH Sign Company in Auburn, NH. They have received and inspected it and are ready to begin the installation process. The first step will be to take down the old sign, install the concrete foundation for the new sign, and install the new mounting hardware on the foundation. This first phase is scheduled to be done on Wednesday, July 20. After the new concrete has sufficiently cured (about a week), they will return and install the sign on the foundation. The sign should be operational by the end of July. *Dave Mercer, Property Team Leader*

Our End 68 Hours of Hunger mission has concluded along with the Portsmouth school year. With our small group of dedicated volunteers we were able to pack 352 bags of food, supplying almost 2,500 meals to families with children in Portsmouth. A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped us pack this year, and to the congregation of Holy Trinity for financially supporting this endeavor. Watch the Tidings for start up information in September when school resumes. Looking to volunteer in the community but don't have much time? Come and join us one evening a month!

Vacation Bible School is happening at Holy Trinity this summer! We will come together to grow in faith as we explore the Bible story of Joseph and his journey to Egypt on Wednesday evenings (7/20, 7/27, & 8/3). Dinner will begin at 5:30pm with VBS activities from 6:00-7:30pm. Each week will be new, so come for any or all of the dates. To have your child participate or to volunteer to help with VBS activities or dinner, please sign up on the kiosk in the gathering area or contact Lara Scammon at (603) 781-0853 or dscammon@aol.com.

Camp Calumet 's fundraiser "Walk the Walk" has begun! 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 Mark Donahue, who will report our total miles to Camp Calumet. It's still not too late to sign up. Registration has begun and you can sign up here: vancoevents.com/BFXR

Amazon Smile: Do you shop through Amazon? If so, consider registering shopping through Amazon Smile and identify Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church as your charity of choice. If you do so, Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Holy Trinity. Since we've begun using AmazonSmile, our church has **received \$498.62 in donations**. Any questions, please contact the church office for instructions how to set up Amazon Smile.

Every Sunday morning during the summer, the Church Office will have the Air Conditioner running, with a livestream of Worship on the computer. If you're feeling hot, you're welcome to sit in the Office to cool down and follow along with the worship service.

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday, July 17, 2022 — 9:30 a.m.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

- Please stand as able-

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

- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

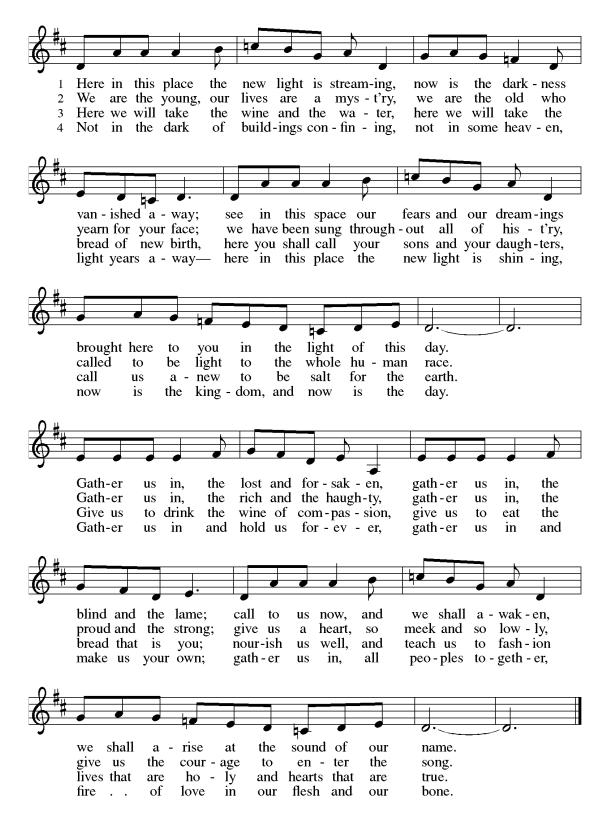
-A brief silence-

- P: Merciful God,
- C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.
- C: Amen.

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- Please stand as able-

Gather Us In



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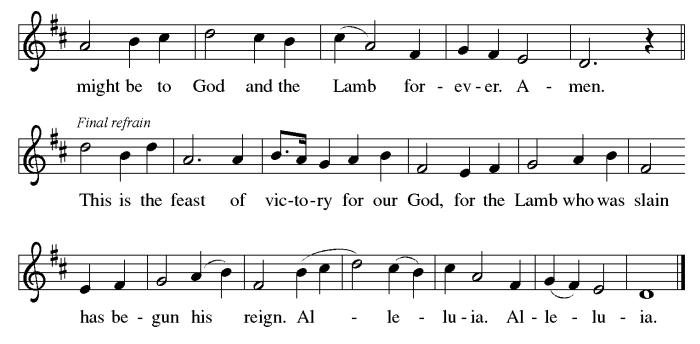
Greeting

- P: May the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
- C: Amen.

Canticle of Praise

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Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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

- L: A reading from Psalm 15
- L: ¹Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

C: ²Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart;

- L: ³they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.
- C: ⁴In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the Lord.

They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

L: ⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

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

Second Reading

L: A reading from Colossians 1:15-28

¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God

was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

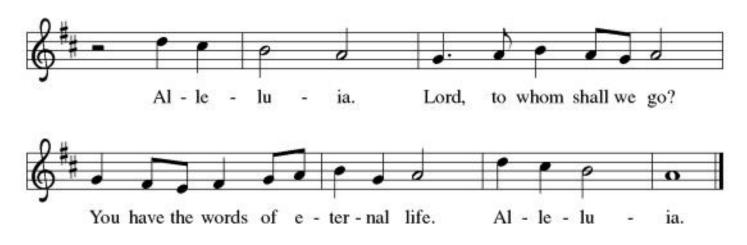
L: Word of God, word of life.

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



Gospel

- Please stand as able-

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke 10:38-42

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

Temple Talk "Lay School of Ministry" — Please be seated—

Hymn of the Day

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The Bap<u>tism</u>

Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the ministers at the font. The assembly is seated.

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

The presiding minister addresses parents or others who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves:

P: **Finbarr and April,** called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have **Riley Lillian** baptized into Christ? If so, answer I do.

Response: I do.

P: As you bring **Riley Lillian** to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with *her* among God's faithful people, bring *her* to the word of God and the holy supper, teach *her* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that *all your children* may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Finbarr and April, do you promise to help **Riley Lillian** grow in the Christian faith and life? If so, answer, I do.

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors

P: **Brian and Casey** as Sponsors, do you promise to nurture **Riley Lillian** in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? If so, answer, I do.

Response: I do.

The presiding minister addresses the assembly

- P: People of God, do you pledge to help pass faith to **Riley Lillian** and to support and pray for **her in her** new life in Christ?
- C: We do.

Profession of Faith

The assembly stands.

The presiding minister addresses candidates for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly joins in the responses.

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response: I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:

P: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- P: Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters at creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.
- P: Through the waters of the flood you carried those in the ark to safety. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery to freedom. In the wilderness you nourished them with water from the rock, and you brought them across the river Jordan to the promised land.
- P: By the baptism of his death and resurrection, your Son Jesus has carried us to safety and freedom. The floods shall not overwhelm us, and the deep shall not swallow us up, for Christ has brought us over to the land of promise. He sends us to make disciples, baptizing in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- P: Pour out your Holy Spirit; wash away sin in this cleansing water; clothe the baptized with Christ; and claim your daughters and sons, no longer slave and free, no longer male and female, but one with all the baptized in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly may be seated. The presiding minister baptizes each candidate. The candidate is immersed into the water, or water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

P: **Riley Lillian**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

LD: **Riley Lillian**, you belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

LD: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays:

P: Sustain **Riley Lillian** with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

Amen.

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of each of the baptized. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:

P: **Riley Lillian**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Amen.

A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:

LD: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly.

LD: Let us welcome our newly baptized sister - Riley Lillian Murphy

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Prayers of the People

LD: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

-A brief silence-

LD: Ever-present God, in Christ you fill all things. As your church gathers to hear your word, share your meal, and receive your blessing, teach us to welcome strangers as we have been welcomed by you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Through Christ you created all things, visible and invisible. Teach humankind to honor and protect all creation, including living things that remain hidden from our eyes such as air, atmosphere, molecules, and microscopic creatures. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Through Christ you reconcile all things. Motivate those in power to end enslavement, dehumanization, or brutality of any kind and to protect and improve the lives of Indigenous peoples. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: In Christ you make your word fully known. Inspire this worshiping community to abide fully in your word as we sit at the feet of Jesus. Bless the ministry of teachers and Bible study leaders. God of grace,

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 of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

LD: Through Christ you bring peace. Assure all who are worried and distracted by many things of your constant presence. Soothe those suffering in mind, body, or spirit. Sustain all who are afflicted and those who serve as caregivers. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently. —A brief silence— God of grace,

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 of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

- LD: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
- C: Amen.

The Sharing of God's Peace

P: May the peace of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – which passes all understanding, 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: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

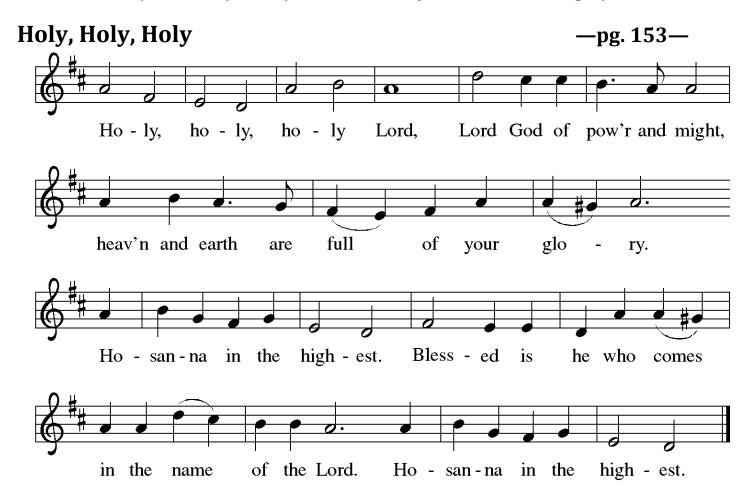
As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the 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. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

(Sung response by congregation)

P: In the night that Jesus was betrayed, by one of his own,
 He took the bread and blessed it as He said,
 "here's my body broken for you."

He took the cup and raised it up on high, bowed His head and prayed. And then He said, "My blood for you is shed. A cleansing stream to wash your sins away."

C: Come and see the glory of the Lord, come behold the Lamb.
Come and taste the mercy of the King, bowing down before Him.
For He is Lord above the heavens. Lord in all the earth.
Lord of all the angels. Worthy to be served. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Lord.

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: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

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 479**

We Come to the Hungry Feast



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One Bread, One Body



Text: John Foley, sJ, b. 1939 Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, sJ

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Communion Hymn #3: ELW 485

I Am the Bread of Life



Text: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, b. 1927, based on John 6

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SENDING

The Prayer after Communion

- P: Let us pray.
- C: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Rites of Passage and Announcements

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.

Blessing

—Please stand as able—

C: Amen.

Dismissal

LD: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

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