

July 31, 2022 9:30 AM – Eighth 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.

Donate to Holy Trinity: You can place your offering in the offering plate during the service. 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, Steve Bush, Joyce Rivoire, Richard Anderson, Yvonne Topping. *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 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

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

LECTIONARY (Readings)

This Week: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23; Psalm 49:1-12; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21; Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43

Next Week: Genesis 15:1-6; Psalm 33:12-22; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40; Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock, Jon Koelker, and Dick Topping Sound System: Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue Counters: Phyllis and Barry Philbrick Altar Guild: Pam Shaw Liturgical Deacon: Tom Bernth

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, August 3 9:30 AM: Bible Study 5:30 PM: Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY, August 4 8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, August 7 9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, July 17: 80 (*In-Person*) + 18 (*Online*) = 98 Sunday, July 24: 32 (*In-Person*) + 20 (*Online*) = 52

Offering:	\$5 <i>,</i> 874.60
Offering:	\$2 <i>,</i> 633.95

Announcements

Today we welcome Jo Whiting and Russ Hilliard back from Tanzania. During today's ministry minute, they will discuss their trip, as well as ways to help support our sister congregation in Isimani. In honor of their arrival home and their topic on Tanzania, our liturgy will include more African American Spiritual Hymns, African Fonts, and our front cover includes the colors of the Tanzanian flag.

Our new highway sign was installed last Monday, along with the demolition of the old sign. A video of the process, shot by Dave Mercer, is posted to our Facebook page and our YouTube Channel.

Vacation Bible School is concluding this Wednesday, August 3! We will come together to grow in faith as we explore the Bible story of Joseph and his journey to Egypt. Dinner will begin at 5:30pm with VBS activities from 6:00-7:30pm. Our last dinner will be Sloppy Joes!

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.

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!

Every Sunday morning during the summer, the Church Office will have the Air Conditioner running, with a livestream of the Worship Service 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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday, July 31, 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.

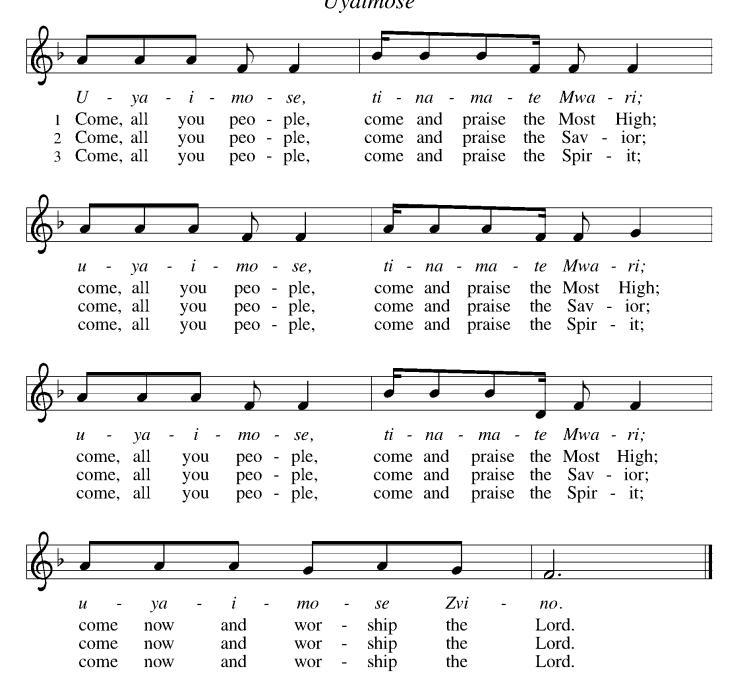
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

-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.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 819 — Please stand as able—

Come, All You People Uyaimose



Text: Alexander Gondo; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936, alt.

Music: UYAIMOSE, Alexander Gondo

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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.

KYRIE* **:** From Missa Luba (Congo)

C: Kyrie ... (Repeats)

Christe ... Christe ... (Repeats)

Kyrie ... Kyrie ... (Repeats)

*[Translated from the Greek, "Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have Mercy]

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray.
- C: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, 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

-Please be seated-

L: A reading from Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

²Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

> ¹²I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

> ^{2:18}I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me ¹⁹—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? ²³For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

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

SECOND READING

- L: A reading from Psalm 49:1-12
- L: ¹Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
- C: ²you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- L: ³My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- C: ⁴I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom.

- L: ⁵Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
- C: ⁶the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess,

and boast of their great riches?

- L: ⁷One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;
- C: ⁸for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,
- L: ⁹in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.
- C: ¹⁰For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish

and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

L: ¹¹Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation,

though they had named lands after themselves.

C: ¹²Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom.

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

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW 513 – Please stand as able-



Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NENO LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune

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P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke 12:13-21

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." ¹⁶Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' ¹⁸Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

TEMPLE TALK

"Tanzania"

-Please be seated-

Guest Speakers: Jo Whiting and Russ Hilliard

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 866

- Please stand as able-



APOSTLES CREED

C: 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 OF THE PEOPLE

LD: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

-A brief silence-

LD: O God, you are wholeness. Where there is division in your church, bring reconciliation and healing. Guide the work of theologians, Sunday school teachers, seminary professors, and all who provide instruction for the building up of your church. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: O God, you are the source of all life. Where creation cries out in distress, bring relief and renewal. Bless farmers, ranchers, distributors, and all

who provide our food. Nourish the land and all its habitants. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: O God, you are our treasure. Where scarcity and anxiety pervade your church, bring abundance and vitality. Guide the work of church councils and committees and give them clarity for the work of ministry in this place. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: O God, you are resurrection. We give you thanks for all your saints. Inspire us by their example of faithful living to set our minds on things above and to be rich in love toward you. Merciful God,

C: receive 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. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: O God, you are life. Where your people are overwhelmed with the busyness of life, bring encouragement. Accompany all who experience emotional, mental, or physical distress. Renew us at your table of mercy. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently.
—A brief silence— Merciful God,

C: receive 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. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

- LD: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.
- C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF GODS 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

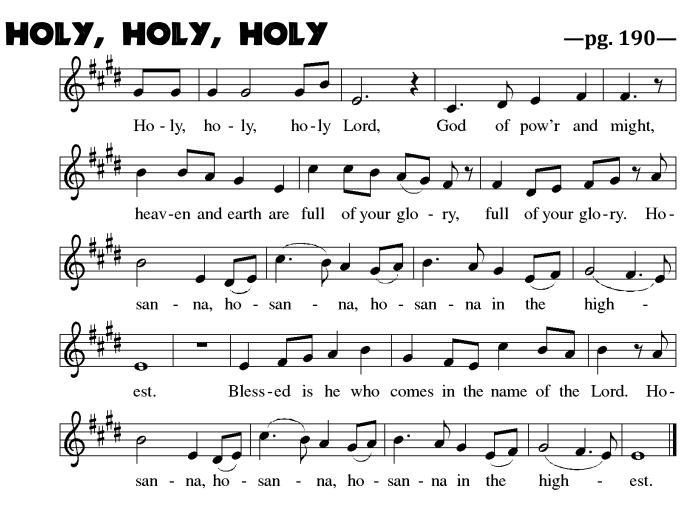
As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the 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.

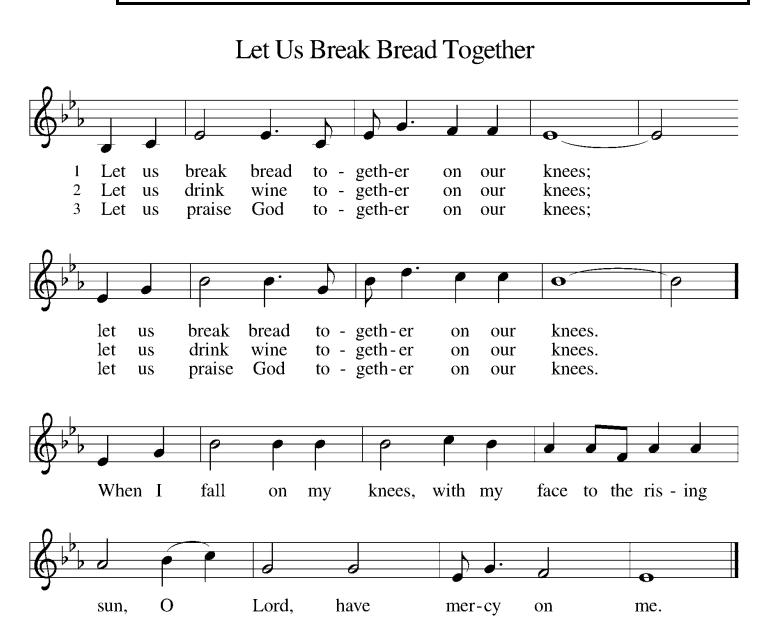
COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION pg. 191 -Please be seated-Lamb of God, take a-way the sin of the world; have you Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the mer-cy on us. Ø world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the peace, Lamb of God. world; grant us peace, grant us

COMMUNION HYMNS:

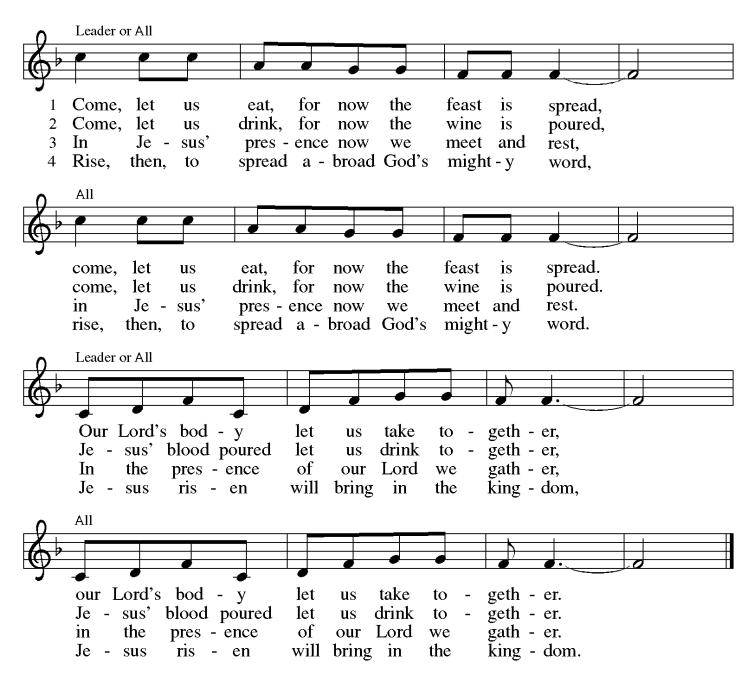
While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. **Communion Hymn #1: ELW 471**



Text: African American spiritual Music: BREAL BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

Communion Hymn #2: ELW 491

Come, Let Us Eat



Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1–3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.; tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1–3, alt. Music: A VA DE, Billema Kwillia, adapt. Text sts. 1–3 and tune © Lutheran World Federation; text st. 4 and music adapt. © 1972 Contemporary Worship 4, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

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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