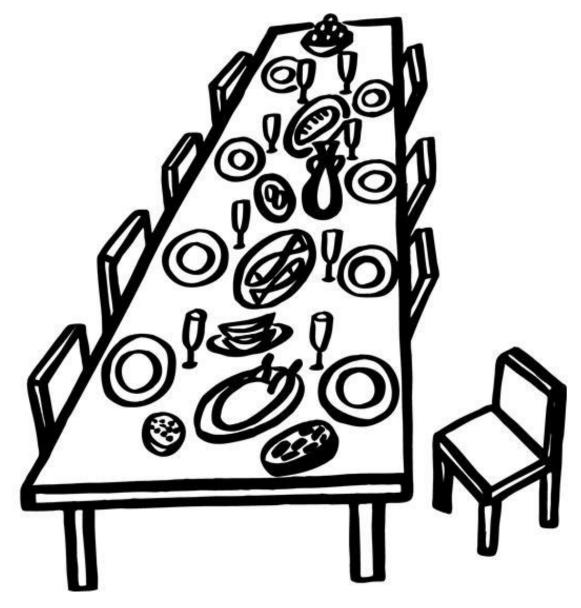


August 21, 2022 9:30 AM – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost



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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.

August Celebrations!

Happy Birthday!

Joan Bauer, Matthew Clement, Annika Clemmons, Lauren Gianino, Paul Gianino, Bob Hollister, Kurt Kasik, Julie Kath, Fred King, Ellie Moore, Rebecca Moore, Eva Mohr, Linn Opderbecke, Phyllis Philbrick, Dan Scammon, Ranap Siagian, Rebecca Schrumm, Paulette Sirois, Gisela Wemple.

Happy Anniversary!

Chris & Karen Berg, Dan & Stephanie Goupil, Robert & Jackie Refsdal, Ed & Fran Mallon. 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, Dave Smith. *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: 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), Susan Fischer (Lois Kfoury's cousin), Jill Duncan (Bobbie Febbo).

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

Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.

LECTIONARY

This Week: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 103:1-8; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6

Next Week: Proverbs 25:6-7; Sirach 10:12-18; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14; Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Musician(s): Jon Bock Choir Director: Ken Galle Sound System: Franklyn Vosburg & Mark Donahue Counters: Barry & Phyllis Philbrick Altar Guild: Pam Shaw

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

WEDNESDAY, August 24 9:30 AM: Bible Study

THURSDAY, August 2t5 8:00 AM: Property Team

SUNDAY, August 28 9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

Sunday, August 7: Sunday, August 14: 44 (In-Person) + 22 (Online) = 66 58 (In-Person) + 27 (Online) = 85

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Announcements

Welcome Back, Pastor Luther: We're pleased to announce that on Sunday, September 25, Pastor Luther Zeigler will be returning to Holy Trinity as our interim pastor. He will remain in this position through the end of the year when we will reevaluate our relationship depending on the status of the search for a permanent pastor. Pastor Luther will be with us on Sundays and Wednesdays, and potentially other times as situations arise. Please join us on September 25 to welcome Pastor Luther back into our midst.

Dover Friendly Kitchen will be held on Tuesday, August 23 at 3:45 PM, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Dover, across from the library. We are looking for volunteers to help serve our hungry visitors, and we are also asking people to make cookies. Drop off Cookies at the Church by noon on Tuesday. For more information, please see Jill Schock, Bonnie Sanders, or the Church Office.

Tables of Eight: Here's how it works: you sign up, either as a single or a couple. You are then magically assigned to a group of approximately 8 people, some of whom you might know well, some you might have just made an acquaintance, some of whom you may never have seen before. Then during the next year your group will meet four times for a meal. Most traditionally the groups have met in each other's homes, where the host provides the main course and guests round out the meal with, e.g., appetizer, side, and dessert. But a group could meet at a restaurant or other place; the meal could be breakfast, brunch, or lunch; children could be included or not. However your group decides to do it— that's what you do. And groups have been very good at accommodating allergies and medical conditions so don't let that stop you. If you would like to participate in the coming year, we invite you to sign up ASAP by contacting Jo Whiting (text 603-828-7494 or email tidewatch9@comcast.net) or Mark in the church office (office@HTELC.com). If you participated last year, you will automatically be assigned to a Tables group this year unless you let Jo or Mark know otherwise. Bon Appetit!

Altar Guild Help Needed: For the next six weeks, out Altar Guild is Short-staffed with only two volunteers to help. If you wish to help this very important ministry, please speak to the Church Office, or with Pam Shaw.

Social Ministry: Attention all Social Ministry team members! Jessica Feeley, our Social Ministry leader, had computer issues and has lost most of her files. If you were part of Social Ministry, please notify her or the church office that you are a Team Member. For anyone who wishes to join the team, please speak with her or the Church Office.

Just a little reminder about one of our social ministries, CaringConnections! Yes CaringConnections does still exist! Although the last couple of years have been challenging for the team and how things have been done, the team has been there meeting the needs of the congregation! Here is a brief description of the team and individual groups within the team! CaringConnections is a team set up to serve members and friends of HTLC. The mission of its overall objective is to bring God's gift of caring to those in the church who require and desire it. For more information about what CaringConnections does and how to help, please find our leaflet in the Gathering Area.

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

11th Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday, August 21, 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 625

- Please stand as able-



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, stanzas; Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, refrain Music: MARCHING TO ZION, Robert Lowry

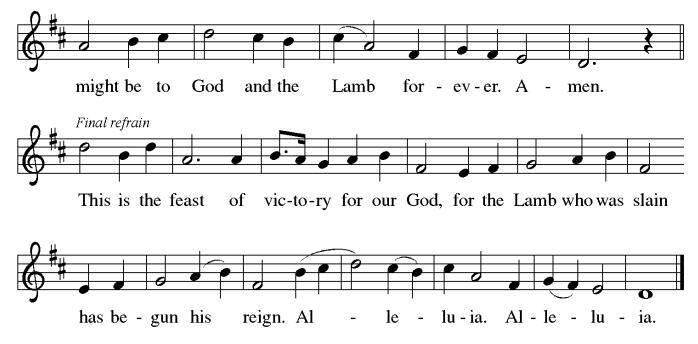
Greeting

- 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

ELW pg 149





Prayer of the Day

- P: Let us pray.
- C: O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, 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 Isaiah 58:9b-14

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight

and the holy day of the Lord honorable;

if you honor it, not going your own ways,

serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

¹⁴then you shall take delight in the Lord,

and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;

I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

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

Second Reading

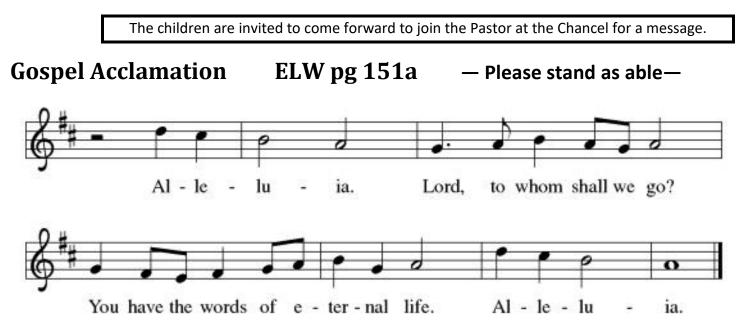
L: A reading from Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the spirikled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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

Children's Message



Gospel

- P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke 13:10-17
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was guite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

Sermon

-Please be seated-

ELW 631

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

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: You crown your church with steadfast love and mercy. Guide us continually in our baptismal covenant to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Use our diverse gifts in service to the whole people of God. Merciful God,
- C: receive our prayer.

LD: You satisfy the needs of all creatures. Protect the habitats of fish and birds. Repair ecosystems damaged by misuse, neglect, or natural disaster, that all creation may thrive. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: You make your ways known to all people. Inspire the rulers and leaders of nations with your compassion and mercy. Raise up activists and community organizers to restore places affected by violence, poverty, and inequality. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

LD: You call us to delight in the sabbath. Renew our bodies, minds, and spirits in this worshiping assembly. Give rest to all who lead our congregation in worship, study, and service. 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: You provide justice for all who are oppressed and relief to all who are afflicted. Heal those who are bent over by addiction, depression, and anxiety. Set free all who cry out under the weight of mental, emotional, or physical distress. 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 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.

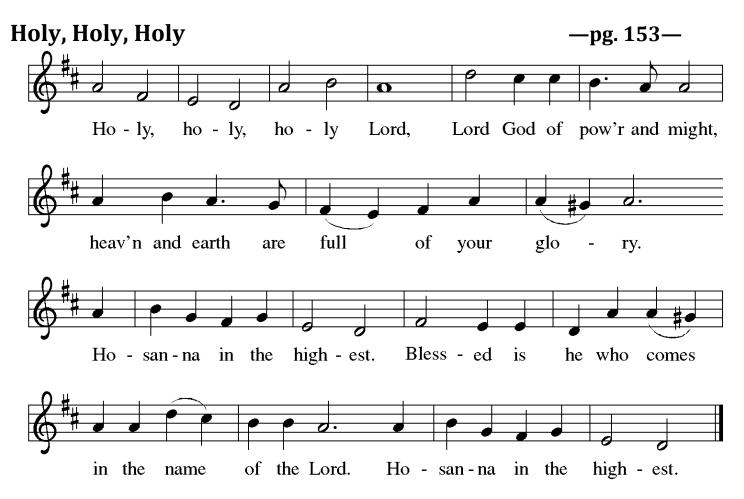
Dialogue

- 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:



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

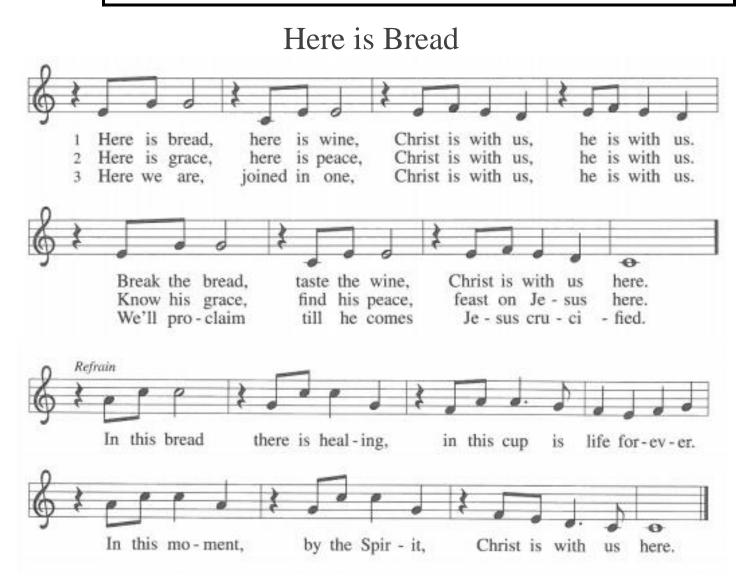
Communion

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 483**



Communion Hymn #2: ELW 474

Bread of Life from Heaven



Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952

Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, BREAK NOW THE BREAD; Argentine traditional, refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950, stanzas Text and music © 2001 GIA Publications, Inc., 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. www.giamusic.com 800.442.3358 All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Communion Hymn #3: ELW 858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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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