

Greeting

Laurie White

L: This is the day that the Lord has made!

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts “Reflection on God’s Gifts”

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Call to Worship

*Song of Praise

“Gather Us In”

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**Here in this place new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.**

**Gather us in' the lost and forsaken, gather us in' the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young' our lives are a mystery, we are the old' who yearn for your face,
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.**

**Gather us in' the rich and the haughty, gather us in' the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.**

**Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.**

**Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light-years away,
But, here in this place the new light is shining, now is the Kingdom, now is the day.**

**Gather us in' and hold us forever, gather us in' and make us your own;
Gather us in' all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

A Season of Prayer

Congregational Call to Prayer

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“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

**Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace.**

A Time of Quiet for Personal Prayer

Prayers of the People

Congregational Response to Prayer

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Special Music

“Blessed Be Your Name”

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Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-9

L: This is the word of the Lord!

P: **Thanks be to God!**

*Song of Preparation

“Seek Ye First”

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**Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!**

**Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!**

Message

“Listen, Eat, Delight, Live”

Rev. Sharon Pajak

A Service of Holy Communion

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we need you. From our internal struggles to the suffering we encounter in our world, we confess that we need you because, without you, we would be forever stuck in cycles of conflict and harm. We wrestle against one another, vying for who is right and who is wrong, all the while neglecting the ways we harm by refusing to work together for the good of our neighbors. We deflect responsibility for caring for the vulnerable to others instead of embracing our call to respond out of the abundance God has given us. God, we need you. We hunger for you, God, and yet we seek fulfillment in all the wrong places. We feed our fear of scarcity instead of our

trust in your abundance. We fuel our apathy instead of pouring ourselves out in service. We nourish our prejudices instead of meeting you in friendship with those we once called strangers. God, we need you. Forgive us, God, and free us to feast on your abundant love and pour your love into the world as we commit to wrestling toward the fulfillment of your reign on earth as it is heaven. Amen. ~Silent Confession ~

Words of Assurance

L: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were still sinners. That proves God's love toward us! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

P: **In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen!**

Passing the Peace

L: Let us share with one another signs of reconciliation and love. May the peace of Christ be with you!

P: **And also with you!**

Please share the peace of Christ with one another!

Song During Offering

“Gentle Shepherd”

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*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Lord's Prayer

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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! Amen!

Song During Communion

“O Breath of Life”

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**We gather here in Jesus' name,
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
For through the loving Son the Father makes us one:**

**Come, take the bread;
come, drink the wine;
come share the Lord.**

**No one is a stranger here,
everyone belongs;
Finding our forgiveness here,
We in turn forgive all wrongs.**

**He joins us here, He breaks the bread,
The Lord who pours the cup
is risen from the dead;
The One we love the most
is now our gracious host:**

**Come, take the bread;
come drink the wine;
Come, share the Lord.**

**We are now a family
Of which the Lord is head;
Though unseen he meets us here
In the breaking of the bread.**

**We'll gather soon where angels sing;
We'll see the glory of our Lord
and coming King;
Now we anticipate
the feast for which we wait:**

**Come, take the bread;
come, drink the wine;
Come, share the Lord.**

*Blessing

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