



August 2, 2020

9am Service

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Our Mission Statement:

As God's people, abounding in HOPE and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we invite all to share in the unfolding experience of Jesus Christ.

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin. *Silence for reflection.*

Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou has been, thou forever wilt be. *Refrain*

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide:
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

Ancient of Days

Blessing and honor, glory and power, yield to the Ancient of Days;
from ev'ry nation, all of creation bow before the Ancient of Days.
Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth shall declare your glory,
ev'ry knee shall bow at your throne – in worship;
You will be exalted, O God, and your kingdom shall not pass away, O Ancient of Days.
Repeat two times

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth, sing it to the Ancient of Days;
No thing can compare to your master plan, sing it to the Ancient of Days.
Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth shall declare your glory,
ev'ry knee shall bow at your throne – in worship;
You will be exalted, O God, and your kingdom shall not pass away, O Ancient of Days.

O Ancient of Days, O Ancient of Days, O Ancient of Days

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth, sing it to the Ancient of Days;
No thing can compare to your master plan, sing it to the Ancient of Days

Prayer of the Day

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Special Music

“One Day at a Time”

Gary Polden

Word

First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

The Word of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Time

On a Picnic with Jesus

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them

something to eat.” ¹⁷They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.”
¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.
²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Eyes of Faith

Hymn of the Day The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Vss. 1,2, 5, 6)

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1. The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
2. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
5. Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floeth!
6. And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Apostles' Creed

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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers for the People & Lord's Prayer

Prayer Petitions will end with “Lord in Your Mercy”

Prayer response is “**Hear Our Prayer**”

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn

Praise the Lord! O Heavens

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1. Praise the Lord! O Heav'n's, adore him; praise him, angels, in the height; sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, gleaming stars and light. Praise the Lord, for he has spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed; laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he has made.
2. Praise the Lord, for he is gracious; never shall his promise fail. God has made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail. Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim; heav'n and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his name!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God!

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