

Welcome to
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church



16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 13th 2026

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A Total Ministry Congregation

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Christ in all persons and all Creation.

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Sundays: 10:00 am
Services can also be viewed on KCC-TV

TABLE OF PLENTY

Refrain

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta -
 - ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we
 need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and
 2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; & come to
 3. My bread will ev - er sus-tain you through days of
 4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will

1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and
 2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your
 3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of
 4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.
 2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.
 3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.
 4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

(Lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People)

Celebrant: Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

Mass of a Joyful Heart
Steve Anaritano and Tom Tomaszek

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Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and
to Verses |

peace to his peo - ple on earth.

1. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al -

1. might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you

1. thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of

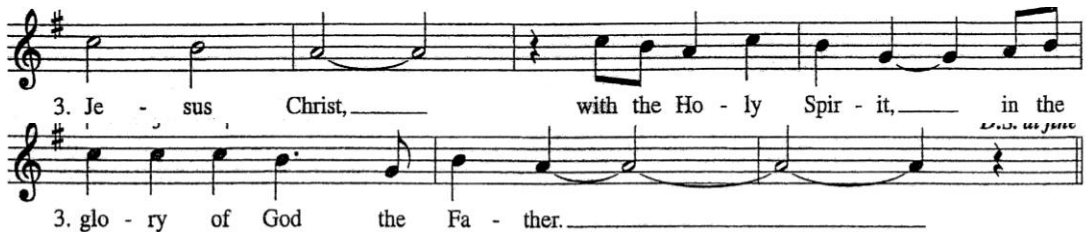
2. God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; -

2. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa -

2. - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

3. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

3. for you a - lone are the Most High,



Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 103:1-13

PSALM 103: LOVING AND FORGIVING

Scott Soper

Refrain

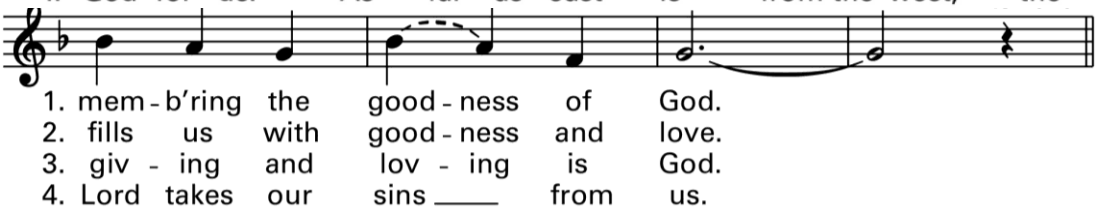


Lov-ing and for - giv-ing are you, O Lord; slow to an-ger,
rich in kind-ness, lov-ing and for - giv-ing are you.

1. All my be - ing, bless the Lord, _____ bless the ho - ly
2. God for-gives us all our sins, _____ heal - ing those who
3. Good and gra-cious is the Lord, _____ slow to an - ger,
4. As heav-en soars a - bove the earth, so great the love of



1. name of God. _____ All my be - ing, bless the Lord, re -
2. live in pain, _____ sav - ing us from fi - nal death. God
3. rich in love. _____ God re-mem - bers not our sins; for -
4. God for us. As far as east is from the west, the



1. mem-b'ring the good - ness of God.
2. fills us with good - ness and love.
3. giv - ing and lov - ing is God.
4. Lord takes our sins _____ from us.

Second Reading

Romans 14: 1-12

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds.

⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

All who are able, please stand.

Gradual Hymn

Refrain: All | 1

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia. lu - ia!

(Ord. Time) 1. Let your heart re - joice in the Lord. Let your
(Pent.) 2. God will send his Spir - it to you. He will

1. word pro - claim his deeds. Let your voice sing out to the
2. teach you all his truths. Ho - ly Spir - it, shine on
to Refrain

1. world that our God has come to save.
2. us the ra - diance of your light.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18: 15-20

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²¹Peter came and said to [Jesus], “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

²³“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

All who are able, please stand.

People and Celebrant

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Our God is a God of unity, not of division; of love, not of hate; of forgiveness, not of resentment. With open hearts, bearing the pain of the world, let us beseech the God of love, saying: We beseech you, O Lord.

For our brothers and sisters of every race and nation: for their safety and well-being, for the relief of their sufferings, for the assuaging of their hunger and thirst, and for the overcoming of enmity, let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

For those peoples we have come to view as enemies: for the peoples of the Soviet Union and China, for the healing of hatred and the birth of friendship, let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

For the churches of the world, let us pray: for the healing of divisions, for growth in understanding, for devotion to the truth of the gospel, for our mutual enrichment, and for complete communion in the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

For our homes and families: for an end to feuds, for release from the cycle of violence, for the healing of painful memories, for forgiveness and peace between those who injure, for patience in bearing with one another, let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

For all those in any need, especially the Franko family, Brian Koch, Roger Bergkamp, Glen Zimmer, Candace DeGagne, Nancy & Greg Hunter, Eddie Blaha, Tia Martins, Kris & Steve McClenney, Karen Race, Michael Valdez, Meghan Finlayson, Mike Solomon, Dave Karraffa, Karen Cendejas, & Sue Vidor. Let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

We pray for the Episcopal Homes of Minnesota, Episcopal Group Homes, Guardian Angels and all other institutions that do ministry for and with the elderly. Please pray for your local senior residential facilities and care centers. And pray also for all farmers and laborers working with the harvest, especially San Jose Obrero Mission in Montgomery and Good Courage Farm. For St. Johns' Anglican Church (*Fort Frances, Ontario*), and Littlefork Lutheran Church (Littlefork). Let us pray to the Lord.

We beseech you, O Lord.

Lord God, your Son made himself the least among us, bore our sins upon the cross, and delivered us from death by his own suffering and dying. Forgive us our sins, by which we have added to the world's pain, and make us instruments of peace and reconciliation, through the same Christ our Lord.

Celebrant says

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Silence

Confession of Sin

All who are able, please kneel.

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

Announcements

Holy Communion

The celebrant says

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us.

All who are able, please stand

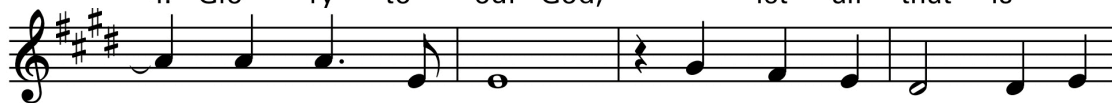
Offertory Hymn

PRAISE THE LORD, MY SOUL

John Foley, SJ.



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|-------------------|-------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1. Praise | the Lord, | my soul, | let fire and rain |
| 2. Bless | the Lord, | my soul, | let all I am |
| 3. Mer - ci - ful | and kind, | | he knows our ways, |
| 4. Glo - ry | to our God, | | let all that is |



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|----|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1. | give praise | to him, | give praise to him, who is |
| 2. | give praise | to him; | and not for - get he is |
| 3. | he knows | we're dust; | and like the flow - ers that |
| 4. | give praise | to him; | give praise to him, all you |



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|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------|------|
| 1. mer - ci - ful, | slow to judge; | bless the Lord, | O my |
| 2. kind, | he for-gives our sins; | bless the Lord, | O my |
| 3. flour - ish, | we soon must die; | bless the Lord, | O my |
| 4. crea - tures | who live his love; | bless the Lord, | O my |



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|------------|----------|-----------------|------------|
| 1-3. soul. | 4. soul, | bless the Lord, | O my soul. |
|------------|----------|-----------------|------------|

Prayers Over The Gifts

Gracious God, accept these Gifts from your people in gratitude for all your blessings poured out upon us. **Amen**

All who are able, please remain standing

Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds (Lines in **Bold** are spoken by the People)*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

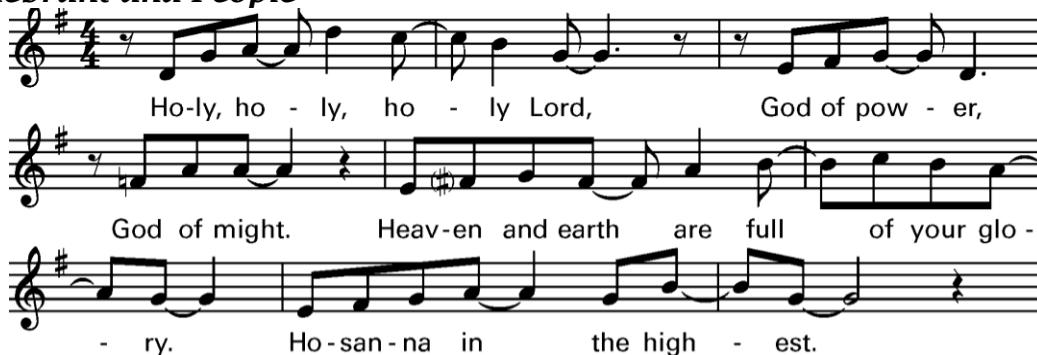
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

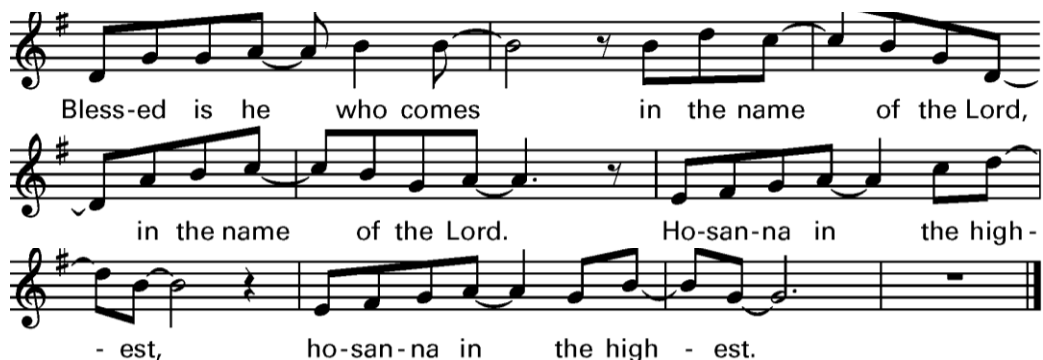
By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People



The musical score is written for three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.



And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



The people may stand or kneel.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant breaks the bread
A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

The Celebrant says

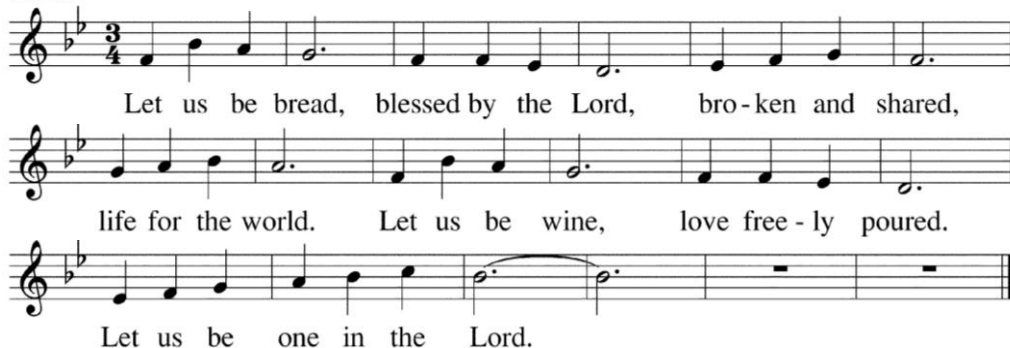
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion is open to everyone

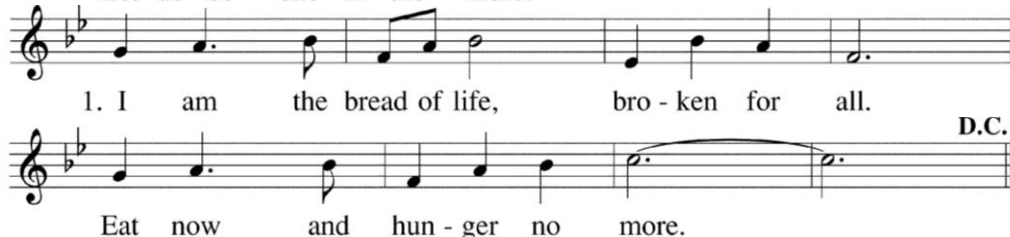
Communion Hymn

Let Us Be Bread

Refrain



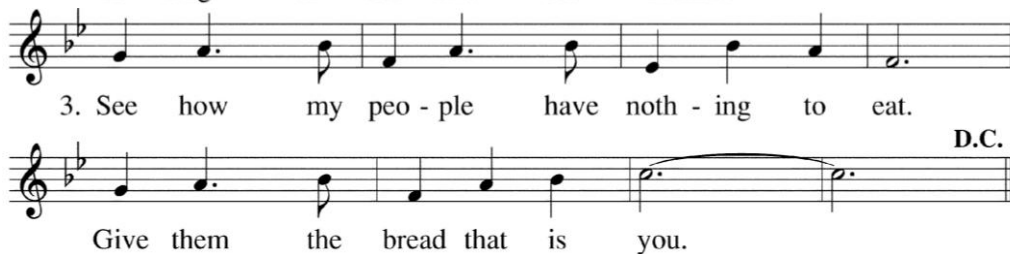
Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord, bro-ken and shared,
life for the world. Let us be wine, love free-ly poured.
Let us be one in the Lord.



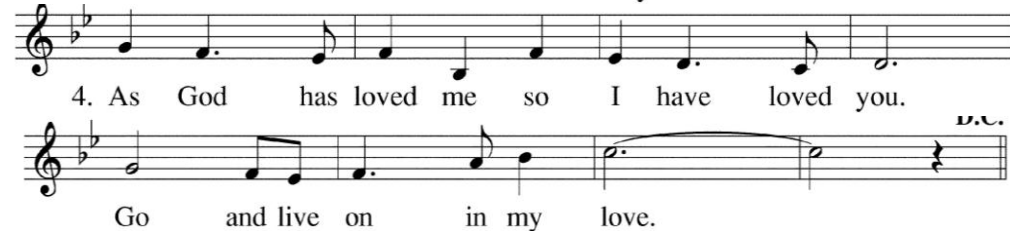
1. I am the bread of life, bro-ken for all. D.C.
Eat now and hun-ger no more.



2. You are my friends if you keep my com-mands, D.C.
no long-er ser-vants but friends.



3. See how my peo-ple have noth-ing to eat. D.C.
Give them the bread that is you.



4. As God has loved me so I have loved you. D.C.
Go and live on in my love.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All who are able, please stand or kneel

Celebrant and People

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**

**Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

Remember that life is short and we haven't much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn:

We Are Called 718

Verses



1. Come! Live in the light!
2. Come! O - pen your heart!
3. Sing! Sing a new song!



Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are
Show your mer - cy to all those in fear! We are
Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will



called to be light for the king - dom, to
called to be hope for the hope - less so all
reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God!
ha - tred and blind - ness will be no more!
sis - ters and broth - ers u - ni - ted in love!

Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly, we are called to serve one an - oth - er;



to walk hum - bly with God!

Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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Next Sunday: September 20th ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ Holy Eucharist



***Sept 13th - 19th ~ Karen Tveit
~ Carol Stillar
~ Brittany Klatt***



Sept 18th ~ Linda Krieger



Sept 16th ~ Alan & Kate Wright

***Congratulations to you: May your faith be true &
may God's love and blessing descend upon you!***