



August 3, 2025

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

GATHERING IN THE LORD'S PRESENCE

Boldface = All speak

❖ = All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE ... "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" *William Gardiner, Arr. by Tedd Smith*
"Simple Gifts" *Shaker Melody, Arr. by Mark Hayes*

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG..... "Shine, Jesus Shine"**#192**
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❖**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Gathered in from many lands,
we come from east and west, from north and south.
Some of us have wandered through deserts.
Some of us are hungry and thirsty.
But the Holy One heard our pleas
and has delivered us from our distress.
So we come with prayers of thanksgiving,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.
Come, let us worship God!

❖**HYMN** "God of Grace and God of Glory"**#307**
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❖**CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER**

Merciful God, so often we focus on earthly possessions rather than on spiritual faithfulness. We can be overcome with greed, neglecting the needs of those around us. We prioritize our own selfish wants over the needs of our neighbors. (a time for silent confession) Merciful God, forgive us, and transform us in Christ's name as we seek renewal and new life in you. Amen.

❖**ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE**

❖**AFFIRMING THE PEACE AMONG US**

The peace of Christ be with you!
And also with you!

The children may go back to Sunday School at this time.

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HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we thank you for your Word given to us in the written words of Scripture and for your living Word, Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, open us to hear you speak and to be transformed by your word. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING..... Luke 12:13-21, pg. 1484
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE The Rev. Sara K. Snowden

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

❖**HYMN** "Take My Life" **#697**
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord... ...universal church and the heavenly choir:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is Jesus Christ... ...as we share this joyful feast:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit... ...Jesus taught us, saying:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Those who wish to partake of communion within the sanctuary are invited to come forward to receive a piece of bread (gluten-free bread is available upon request) and a cup of grape juice.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Creator, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. Amen.

❖ **HYMN** "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" **#516**
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OFFERING AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

DOXOLOGY Genevan Psalter (Public Domain)..... **#606**

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

OPPORTUNITIES TO CONNECT & SERVE

❖ **HYMN** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" **#716**
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❖SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE..... "Fill My Cup, Lord" *Richard Blanchard, Arr. by Fred Bock*

Pastor: The Rev. Sara K. Snowden

Lector: Sue Evans

Greeter: Janice Bingaman

Communion Servers: Sue Wexler and Beverly Mason

Worship Pianist: Amy Dickman

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