

Sunday, March 17, 2019
Lent
Worship at 9:30 AM

GATHERING

Gathering Song

Lead Me to the Cross

Savior I come quiet my soul
Remember redemption's hill
Where Your blood was spilled
For my ransom

Everything I once held dear
I count it all as loss

Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
Oh lead me lead me to the cross

You were as I, tempted and tried, human
The word became flesh
Bore my sin and death
Now You're risen

Everything I once held dear
I count it all as loss

Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
Oh lead me lead me to the cross

Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sin before God and one another...

Lord, you say to us, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness and justice."

But instead we have hungered for success and power and status

Lord, you call us to open our hands to the poor and to the neighbor in need.

But too often we remain tight-fisted, and focus on our own hunger rather than the hunger of others.

Lord, you say that if our enemies are hungry, we should feed them, and if they are thirsty we should give them something to drink.

But we prefer keeping score to kindness, and we prefer rules over relationships.

Lord, we confess that we are hungry.

We are hungry for something more, something different, something better.

Here in this place, God says to you, there is always more than enough to go around. God not only gives us what we need, God feeds us with God's very self. In +Jesus Christ, God feeds you, God forgives you, and God makes you new. **Amen.**

Gathering Song Come to Me

Come to me, come to me, come when you are weary;
Come to me, come to me, and I will give you rest.

All who labor and are burdened,
All who labor and are burdened,
Let them come to me,
Come to me, and I will give them rest

Come to me, come to me, come when you are weary;
Come to me, come to me, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon your shoulders,
Take my yoke upon your shoulders,
Come and learn from me,
Learn from me, for I am gentle of heart.

Come to me, come to me, come when you are weary;
Come to me, come to me, and I will give you rest.

For the heart I hold is humble,
Yes the heart I hold is humble,

And my yoke is easy, my burden light,
And you will find rest for your souls.

Come to me, come to me, come when you are weary;
Come to me, come to me, and I will give you rest.

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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... Gracious God, we know your call to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, and to welcome the stranger. But we often miss the opportunities right in front of us. Turn us again to you, that we might share the food you give that satisfies every hungry heart. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Children's Message

WORD

Scripture Acclamation Let Your Steadfast Love Hymnal pg. 189



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25: 41-46

Bible pg. 807

⁴¹ Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴² for I

was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

Message

Scripture Reading Isaiah 58:6-9

Bible pg. 601

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator^[a] shall go before you,
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

Message

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song

Song of the Day Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength;

let ev'ry breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal pg. 105

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

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always

And also with you

Please share the peace of our Risen Christ with your neighbors

MEAL

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

Offertory Anthem

Nocturno

Strauss

Offertory

Create In Me

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, oh God, that I might serve
You; Cre- ate in me a clean heart, oh God, that I might be re -
-newed. So fill me and heal me, and bring me back to
You. Cre - ate in me a clean
heart, oh God, that I might serve You.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray...

God, as farmers throughout the world share the harvests of their field so may we too offer these gifts to you in expectation that you will use these resources to feed your people. May all who hunger in any way come to your table and find a place for you welcome all at your abundant feast. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Words of Institution

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 for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Lord's Prayer

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.

The time is now. Jesus calls us all to this meal.

Lamb of God

Hymnal pg 154

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music during Communion

Anthem

Alone He Prays

Parker, Raney

Song

We Bow Down

You are Lord of creation
And Lord of my life
Lord of the land and the sea
You were Lord of the heavens
Before there was time
And Lord of all lords You will be

We bow down
And we worship You Lord
We bow down
And we worship You Lord
We bow down
And we worship You Lord
Lord of all lords You will be

You are King of creation
And King of my life
King of the land and the sea
You were King of the heavens

Before there was time
And King of all kings You will be

We bow down
And we crown You the King
We bow down
And we crown You the King
We bow down
And we crown You the King
King of all kings You will be

Song You Are My All in All

You are my strength
When I am weak
You are the treasure
That I seek
You are my All in All
Seeking You as a precious jew'l
Lord to give up I'd be a fool
You are my All in All

Jesus Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name
Jesus Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name

Taking my sin
My cross my shame
Rising again I bless Your name
You are my All in All
When I fall down You pick me up
When I am dry You fill my cup
You are my All in All

Jesus Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name
Jesus Lamb of God
Worthy is Your name

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray...

Lord of this table, our bellies are full and we are refreshed. Our hearts are no longer dulled by that gnawing ache of hunger in our souls. For you, Lord, have fed us at your table. May this meal of love carry us to other tables as we share this gift of love and mercy with others. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

Announcements

Benediction

May you hunger enough that you do not forget the world's hunger.

May you hunger enough that you have bread to share.

May you hunger enough that you long for the Bread of Heaven.

May all your hunger be filled at the table where you are fed by +Jesus.

Amen.

Song

May You Run and Not be Weary

May you run and not be weary

May your heart be filled with song

And may the love of God

Continue to give you hope

And keep you strong

And may you run and not be weary

May your life be filled with joy

And may the road you travel

Always lead you home

May you run and not be weary

May your heart be filled with song

And may the love of God

Continue to give you hope

And keep you strong

And may you run and not be weary

May your life be filled with joy

And may the road you travel

Always lead you home

Dismissal

Go in peace. Go in hope. Go in love.

It's about time.