

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**

**9:30 AM**

**WORSHIP**

**GATHERING**

**Welcome**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Creator God, You made us in your image and we give you thanks for the way that we are part of your new creation. Yet, we have not always trusted in your promises or acted according to your will. Hear us as we confess our sin to you now...

(silence for personal reflection...)

God of all creation,

**You are always doing a new thing, we confess that we sometimes close windows against the fresh air of new ideas, against the noise of other people's worries, against the winds of change. In our quest for personal glory and riches we disrespect your creation and forget others around us. We ask your forgiveness, counting on the endless mercy of Jesus.**

We God's covenant is eternal and God's promise is true: you are forgiven, you are God's beloved child, and you belong to communion of saints forever. Rejoice and be glad for you are part of God's beautiful creation.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

**Gathering Hymn**

**Morning Has Broken**

**Hymnal #556**

1 Morning has broken like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.
- 3 Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

### **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**

Creator God, You have given us every good thing on earth: all that we need to live,  
thrive and enjoy this life. Fill us with gratitude for the advantaged position in  
which we find ourselves, that we might use our powers in service toward you. In  
Jesus' name we pray,

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

**Scripture Reading**

**Psalm 8**

**Bible pg. 427**

- 1 O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
- 2 You have set your glory above the heavens.  
Out of the mouths of babes and infants  
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- 3 When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;

- 4 what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals[a] that you care for them?
- 5 Yet you have made them a little lower than God,[b]  
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- 6 You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,
- 7 all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,
- 8 the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- 9 O Lord, our Sovereign,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Children's Message

#### Scripture Acclamation

#### Celtic Alleluia

#### Hymnal #174

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

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In the day that the Lord[a] God made the earth and the heavens, 5 when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; 6 but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— 7 then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground,[b] and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. 8 And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. 9 Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 A river flows out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it divides and becomes four branches. 11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one that flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; 12 and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. 13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one that flows around the whole land of Cush. 14 The name of the third river is Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

18 Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” 19 So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man[c] there was not found a helper as his partner. 21 So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
this one shall be called Woman,[d]  
for out of Man[e] this one was taken.”

24 Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Word of God, Word of Life  
**Thanks be to God**

### **Message**

#### **Hymn of the Day**

#### **Touch the Earth Lightly**

#### **Hymnal #739**

- 1 Touch the earth lightly,  
use the earth gently,  
nourish the life of the world in our care:  
gift of great wonder,  
ours to surrender,  
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.
- 2 We who endanger,  
who create hunger,  
agents of death for all creatures that live,  
we who would foster  
clouds of disaster—  
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!
- 3 Let there be greening,  
birth from the burning,  
water that blesses, and air that is sweet,  
health in God's garden,  
hope in God's children,  
regeneration that peace will complete.
- 4 God of all living,

God of all loving,  
God of the seedling, the snow, and the sun,  
teach us, deflect us,  
Christ reconnect us,  
using us gently, and making us one.

**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

#### Offertory Hymn    **God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens**    Hymnal #771

- 1     God, who stretched the spangled heavens  
      infinite in time and place,  
      flung the suns in burning radiance  
      through the silent fields of space:  
      we, your children in your likeness,  
      share inventive pow'rs with you;  
      great Creator, still creating,  
      show us what we yet may do.
  
- 2     We have ventured worlds undreamed of  
      since the childhood of our race;  
      known the ecstasy of winging  
      through untraveled realms of space;  
      probed the secrets of the atom,  
      yielding unimagined pow'r,  
      facing us with life's destruction  
      or our most triumphant hour.
  
- 3     As each far horizon beckons,  
      may it challenge us anew:  
      children of creative purpose,  
      serving others, hon'ring you.  
      May our dreams prove rich with promise;  
      each endeavor well begun;  
      great Creator, give us guidance  
      till our goals and yours are one.

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
 fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

**Offering Prayer**

Let us pray...

Loving God, receive these gifts of our hands and with them our lives and the life of your church. Transform us in service to you and all you have made, and draw us always near to you through Jesus Christ, who leads us to new life,

**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. 195



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

### Hymn

### Let Us Break Bread Together

Hymnal #471

- 1 Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees.

### Refrain

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

3 Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

**Hymn**

**How Great Thou Art**

**Hymnal #856**

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the works thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

*Refrain*

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,  
how great thou art! How great thou art!

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain*

3 But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain*

4 When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" *Refrain*

**Hymn**

**When Peace Like a River**

**Hymnal #785**

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,

it is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*

It is well (it is well)  
with my soul, (with my soul,)  
it is well, it is well with my soul.

2     Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

3     He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

4     Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
even so it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

**Song                    Breathe On Me Breath of God**

Breathe on me breath of God  
Fill me with life anew  
That I may love what Thou dost love  
And do what Thou wouldst do

Breathe on me breath of God  
Until my heart is pure  
Until with Thee I will one will  
To do and to endure

Breathe on me breath of God  
Till I am wholly Thine  
Till all this earthly part of me  
Glows with Thy fire divine

Breathe on me breath of God  
So shall I never die  
But live with Thee the perfect life  
Of Thine eternity

### **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...

Gracious God, as the grapes and grains which make this meal have come from earth, so we have also emerged according to our you will. We give you thanks for at your table you have gathered us with our sisters and brothers to be fed, filled, and sent far and wide to proclaim your gospel to a world which needs it.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **Announcements**

### **Benediction**

May God our Creator transform your work and your lives through grace, May Jesus lead us, his church, to follow in his path of love and sacrifice, May the Holy Spirit keep you ever joyful and humble in service, May almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—bless you now and always.

**Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn                      God's Work, Our Hands**

God's work, our hands: working together,  
    building a future, repairing the world,  
    raising up homes, planting new gardens,  
    feeding the hungry and shelt'ring the cold.  
Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,  
    sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God's work, our feet: trav'ling together,  
following Jesus to places unknown,  
walking as friends, marching for freedom,  
running the race with God's future the goal.

Bless, God, our feet as we follow your way,  
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God's work, our voice: singing together,  
praising, proclaiming to all who will hear,  
praying for peace, shouting for justice,  
claiming God's love for the lost and the least.

Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,  
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

God is at work in and around us:  
seedlings are sprouting and bread's on the rise!  
Washed and set free, humbled and honored,  
gifted by grace, we respond in God's love.

Bless, God, our lives as we answer your call,  
sharing the good news of your Gospel.

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God!**