



A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church In America



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 16, 2024 - 10:00 AM - in the Gym



Welcome to Trinity Lutheran Church

As disciples of Christ seeking peace and justice in the world, we welcome, affirm, and include all people into the fullness of God's love. We celebrate people of all races, cultures, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical or mental abilities, socioeconomic statuses, appearances, family status and citizenship as equally loved and valued in the eyes of God and in this place. All are invited to join this community as we worship God, grow in faith, and strive to love and serve one another. All, without exception, are welcome in this place.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of their 50th Anniversary by Chris and Terri Sullivan.

SERVING TODAY

Presiding Minister	Susan Crowell
Assisting Minister and Preaching	Patrick Preacher
Pianist and Choir Director	Shelton Ridge Love
Lector	Vicki Rubenstein
Prayers	David Foster
Communion Assistant	Danny Fagala
Cantor/Soloist	Melanie Helling
Acolytes	Jenna Mast Peyton Roth
Children's Worship Activity Leaders	Amanda Cook Jeff Roth Margaret Roth
Nursery	Melissa Kolb
Praying for Possibilities	Mary Beth Ridenhour
Greeters	Mark Allen Anne Harmon Pattimarie Janssen Lani Ludian Suzanne Rudisill Reid Tidwell
Ushers	Richard Delap Danny Fagala Calvin Harmon David Potts
Fellowship Hosts	Mary Brown and Suzanne Rudisill
Video	Henry Wilcox
Audio	Gregg Alley

GATHERING

*The center cross is in red today as we remember
the lives of the Emanuel Nine on the anniversary of their martyrdom.*

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND AFFIRMATION

Please stand as able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, we thank you for making one human family of all the peoples of the earth
and for creating all the wonderful diversity of cultures.

**Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship and show us your presence in
those who differ most from us.**

From the bondage of racism that denies the humanity of every human being and the
prejudices within us that deny the dignity of those who are oppressed, Lord set us free:

Have mercy on us.

From racism that blinds oppressors to the destruction caused by the spirit and practice of
racial injustice, Christ set us free:

Have mercy on us.

From the racism that will not recognize the work of your Spirit in other cultures: Lord set us
free:

Have mercy on us.

**Forgive those of us who have been silent and apathetic in the face of racial
intolerance and bigotry,**

both overt and subtle, public and private.

Break down the walls that separate us.

**Empower us to speak boldly for justice and truth and help us to deal with one another
without hatred or bitterness.**

**Forgive us when we fail to see your sanctuary
as a house of worship for all people.**

**Guide us as we aim to exclude no one based on
skin color, sexuality, gender, or class.**

Knit us into a seamless coat of many colors.

Here the good news, and in hearing, believe:

God, who is rich in mercy, loves us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of +Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in
your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Christ, Be Our Light

#715

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
your holy people, light for the world to see.**

Refrain

***Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.***

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for
hope, many despair. Your word alone
has power to save us. Make us your living voice. *Refrain***

**Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for
water, many still thirst. Make us your bread,
broken for others, shared until all are fed. *Refrain***

**Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for
warmth, many are cold. Make us your building,
sheltering others, walls made of living stone. *Refrain***

**Many the gifts, many the people, many the
hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants
to one another, signs of your kingdom come. *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.

KYRIE

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who worship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Save us, O God, from ourselves, from racism often cloaked in pious words, from white supremacy hidden in calls for civility, from apologies when they don't give way to action, from forgiveness without facing the truth, from reconciliation without reparation. Deliver us, O God, from expecting siblings of color to continue to bear the emotional work of anti-racism, which is not theirs to do. Grateful for the long arc that bends toward justice, we pray that you grant us wisdom and give us courage for the facing of these days, by the power of the Spirit and all for the sake of the dream of your kin-dom that we share in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

Please be seated

WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

A reading from Ezekiel.

²²Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig
from the lofty top of a cedar;
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one
from the topmost of its young twigs;
I myself will plant it
on a high and lofty mountain.

²³On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;
in the shade of its branches will nest
winged creatures of every kind.

²⁴All the trees of the field shall know
that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,
I make high the low tree;
I dry up the green tree
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;
I will accomplish it.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

*Thereafter, the congregation is invited to sing without introduction**Psalm
Refrain*

The right - teous shall spread a -
broad like a ce - dar of Leb - a - non.

*Psalm
Tone*

¹It is a good thing to give thanks | to the LORD,
to sing praise to your name, | O Most High;

²**to herald your love | in the morning
and your faithful- | ness at night;**

³on the psaltery, and | on the lyre,
and to the melody | of the harp.

⁴**For you have made me glad by your | acts, O LORD;
and I shout for joy because of the works | of your hands. R**

¹²The righteous shall flourish | like a palm tree,
and shall spread abroad like a ce- | dar of Lebanon.

¹³**Those who are planted in the house | of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts | of our God;**

¹⁴they shall still bear fruit | in old age;
they shall be | green and succulent;

¹⁵**that they may show how up- | right the LORD is,
my rock, in whom there is | no injustice. R**

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

A reading from second Corinthians.

⁶So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please God. ¹⁰For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. ¹⁴For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Goodnight Racism

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark the fourth.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶Jesus said, “The kin-dom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷Night and day, whether one sleeps or rises, the seed sprouts and grows, though no one knows how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.” ³⁰Jesus also said, “With what can we compare the kin-dom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” ³³With many such parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

SERMON

God's Anti-Racist Dream

Please stand as able

HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World

#726

**Light dawns on a weary world when eyes begin to
see all people's dignity. Light dawns on a
weary world: the promised day of justice comes.**

Refrain

***The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;
the hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
as all the world in wonder echoes shalom.***

**Love grows in a weary world when hungry hearts find
bread and children's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
weary world: the promised feast of plenty comes. *Refrain***

**Hope blooms in a weary world when creatures, once
forlorn, find wilderness reborn. Hope blooms in a
weary world: the promised green of Eden comes. *Refrain***

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

Nourish your faithful people through gifts of word and worship. Guide the church in listening to and interpreting your message of grace for this time and place in history. In your wisdom, lead us in expanding the reach of your love. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Nature sings your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night. Sustain the holy rhythms of creation: days and seasons, rest and activity, phases of the moon and tides of the sea. Let these patterns assure us of your constancy. Bless the bodies of water we use for recreation on hot days. Allow each dip of our toes to remind us of our baptism.

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You raise the lowly and humble those in high regard. Raise up all who are victims of marginalization, discrimination, and hate. As we anticipate Juneteenth, banish white supremacy and bigotry from the hearts of your people and remove the inclination toward anger and violence. Make joyful all who celebrate Juneteenth as "Freedom Day." Forgive us for the many egregious sins committed, often while using your name, against any of your beloved children. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Tend to all who journey by faith and who wait with patience for the fulfillment of your healing promises. Grant perseverance to people doing physical and occupational therapy, people living with mobility concerns, and people facing chronic pain. We pray especially for those we name now on our lips or silently in our hearts ... Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

As you have loved us, so let us love one another. On this Father's Day, we come together in gratitude and celebration, recognizing the diversity of fatherhood that enriches our lives. We acknowledge fathers of all kinds: biological, adoptive, step, foster, chosen, and those who serve as father figures, mentors, and guides. We pray for those who do not meet the requirements of what society calls a father, but whose service and dedication to the people around them mirrors your parental love. Bless the many configurations of family. Be with those who may find this day difficult, whether due to loss, strained relationships, or unfulfilled longing. May they find solace in the love that surrounds them and the hope for healing. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

We live in a world damaged by racism, yet you have set us free to stand against prejudice and bigotry. Bless those who will gather this evening to begin Peace Camp. As we explore stories which tell the ugly truth of racism, soften our hearts to understand that we have been taught a lie. No one is better than any one else. You have created each of us in your glorious image and you delight in the many shades of our skin. Bring an end to racism and raise up your people as anti-racist warriors. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Celebrating LGBTQIA+ Pride month, this congregation gives you thanks for the many ways you continue to work through us to shine light throughout the world. We pray for all those who gather this month in celebration of Pride. Keep them safe. Make a way for each person to feel seen, known, and loved. In a world filled with hate and discrimination against those who differ from the mainstream, remind each of us that you are crazy about us, in all our diversity! Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

With gratitude, we remember the Emanuel Nine martyrs and all the saints who are now at home with you. Plant seeds of their wisdom and witness in our hearts, that we grow in faith until we join them in your heavenly dwelling. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

A LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE EMANUEL NINE

On June 17, 2015, nine of God's beloved children were murdered and martyred in their church in Charleston, South Carolina. Our hearts continue to weep for Mother Emanuel AME Church. The shooter, who was on a roll of a Lutheran congregation, as well as two of the slain who graduated from Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, remind us of both our complicity and our calling. Together we remember the lives of those who were killed that day and pray for a more just and equitable world.

*A bell is rung nine times, once for each of the nine victims.
A red candle will be lit for each victim as their name is spoken.*

We join with Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in remembering the slain nine—the Rev. Clementa C. Pinckney, the Rev. Daniel Lee Simmons, Cynthia Marie Graham Hurd, the Rev. Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, the Rev. Myra Singleton Quarles Thompson, Tywanza Kibwe Diop Sanders, the Rev. DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Susie Jackson, and Ethel Lee Lance—and those who survived.

We remember.

We remember that they lovingly welcomed the stranger into a Wednesday-night bible study—they sang, they prayed, they gathered to study the word of God.

We remember.

We pray for the continual presence of God's peace; may it comfort and surround the families of the nine who were slain.

We remember.

We pray for the African Methodist Episcopal Church, its senior bishop and episcopal leaders, the community of Charleston, and all who continue to grieve—trusting that God will continue to unite us in the work to end racism and white supremacy, so that we may be witnesses of Christian unity.

We remember.

We remember the legacy of the Rev. Pinckney and his fight for racial justice for his parishioners and his community. Let us not only be moved by emotion but also be moved toward action.

We remember.

We call the United States to remember and confront its history of racial injustice. We must not forget the crimes committed against humanity in the name of Christ: the land theft from and genocide of indigenous peoples and the enslavement of black bodies that built this nation.

We remember.

We call this country to remember the policies and practices that excluded Chinese immigrants and that forced the internment of Japanese Americans.

We remember.

We call this country to remember the exploitation of migrant farm workers from Latin and Central America and the separation of families at the U.S. southern border.

We remember.

We remember the faith leaders whose lives are a living witness to black liberation and womanist theology in the struggle for black freedom: Bishop Richard Allen, Absalom Jones, Sojourner Truth, Denmark Vesey, Jehu Jones, Daniel Payne, Harriet Tubman, Frederick Douglass, Ida B. Wells, James Cone, and Katie Cannon.

We remember.

We remember the unarmed innocent black lives lost at the hands of law enforcement: Eric Garner, Laquan McDonald, Sandra Bland, Sean Bell, Philando Castile, Alton Sterling, Michael Brown, Freddie Gray, Tamir Rice, Walter Scott, Atatiana Jefferson, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Daunte Wright, and many others, known and unknown.

We remember.

We remember the innocent, unarmed black bodies that were racially profiled, shot, and killed because whiteness stood its ground: Emmett Till, Trayvon Martin, Jordan Davis, Ahmaud Arbery, Renisha McBride, and many others, known and unknown.

We remember.

As we remember, Living God, may we be re-membered as your body, connected to one another and empowered for the work you call us to do in the name of Jesus and by the power of his renewing Spirit.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ is with you always.

And also with you.

Please share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

Please be seated

MEAL

OFFERING

The Word of God Is Source and Seed

Melanie Helling

Music: David Hurd

Text: Delores Dufner

The Word of God is source and seed; it comes to die and sprout and grow.
So make your dark earth welcome warm; root deep the grain God bent to sow.

The Word of God is breath and life;
it comes to heal and wake and save.

In the Lord let us rejoice, in the Lord let us rejoice, in the Lord let us rejoice!
So let the Spir-it touch and mend and rouse your dry bones from the grave.

The Word of God is breath and life;
it comes to heal and wake and save.

The Word of God is flesh and grace, who comes to sing, to laugh and cry.
So dare to be as Jesus was, who came to live and love and die.

The Word of God is breath and life;
it comes to heal and wake and save.

Please stand as able

OFFERING HYMN

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

#674

**Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

Refrain

***Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound! Repeat***

**Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express. *Refrain***

**Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) ev'ry where! *Refrain***

Let us pray, Jesus, Bread of life,
**you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and a final double bar line at the end of the fifth staff.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 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 INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

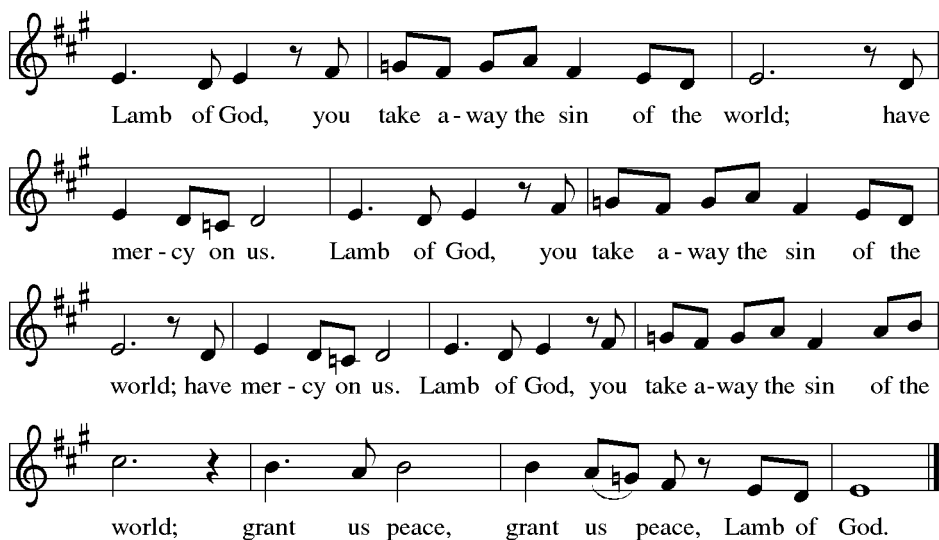
Please be seated

COMMUNION

All, without exception, are welcome at the table of God's grace and love. Anyone preferring not to receive the wine may receive only the bread, completely trusting that the full benefit of communion — Christ's grace and forgiveness — may be found in either the bread or wine.

At the direction of the ushers, worshippers are invited to move to the front of the center aisle to dip the bread into the wine to receive Communion by intinction.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION



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, Lamb of God.

Blest Are They

#728

**Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the
kingdom of God. Blest are they,
full of sorrow; they shall be consoled.**

Refrain

***Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!***

**Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall
inherit the earth. Blest are they who
hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill. *Refrain***

**Blest are they who show mercy; mercy
shall be theirs. Blest are they, the
pure of heart; they shall see God. *Refrain***

**Blest are they who seek peace; they are the
children of God. Blest are they who
suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs. *Refrain***

**Blest are you who suffer hate, all
because of me. Rejoice, be glad,
yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see. *Refrain***

Refrain

***Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the goodness of God.
Bread of life, cup of love, we rejoice in your presence.***

**I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;
in my God I glory forever: listen and rejoice! *Refrain***

**Look upon the Lord, be radiant, never turn away.
God will save in ev'ry affliction, hear us when we pray. *Refrain***

**Angels fold their wings around us, guard through good and ill.
Those who seek the Lord will lack nothing; taste, and have your fill. *Refrain***

**Saints of God, bow down and worship, bless the holy name.
Rise to tell God's greatness forever, wondrous deeds proclaim! *Refrain***

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

#708

Refrain

***Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.***

**Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain***

**Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race,
neighbors are nearby and far away. *Refrain***

**These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
all these are neighbors to us and you. *Refrain***

**Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet:
this is the way we will live with you. *Refrain***

**Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city
of our God! He whose word cannot be broken
formed you for his own abode. On the Rock of Ages
founded, what can shake your sure repose? With
salvation's walls surrounded, you may smile at all your foes.**

**See, the streams of living waters, springing from
eternal love, well supply your sons and daughters,
and all fear of want remove. Who can faint, while such a
river ever will their thirst assuage? Grace which,
like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.**

**Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and
fire appear for a glory and a cov'ring,
showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their
banner light by night and shade by day, safe they
feed upon the manna which God gives them on their way.**

**Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a
member am, let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in your name. Fading are the world's vain
pleasures, all their boasted pomp and show; solid
joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know.**

Please stand as able

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

**Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.**

**The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.**

**The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls
reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all.
Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face—
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.**

**With your feast you feed us, with your light now
lead us; unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

DISMISSAL

Go from this place in peace,
but do not forget your power.

Continue to strive for justice, equity, and inclusion.
Trust God to guide you when the way becomes difficult,
and know that we journey together toward
God's dream of love.

Thanks be to God. Amen

*Everyone is invited to gather in the back corner of the Gym
following worship for refreshments and fellowship.*

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