

"Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you."

John 14:27

Sunday, June 9, 2024

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Outdoor Worship

Thank you to confirmands and others leading worship today:

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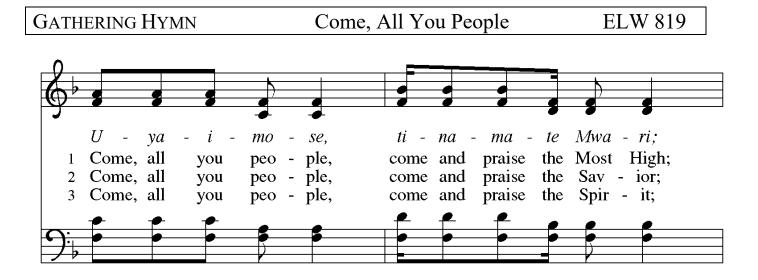
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#### **PRELUDE**

As we gather, please share in the welcome activity, instructions will be provided. When you hear the singing begin, find your place – worship is beginning!

## **GATHERING**





LITANY OF PRAISE (Adapted from Psalm 133 in Psalms for Praying) Behold how good and pleasant it is

when siblings dwell together in unity!

It is like vistas seen from atop a mountain one has climbed . . .

or like the stillness of a sunset after a long day's work.

It is like a shimmering rainbow breaking through a summer rain.

When people dwell in harmony the Star of Truth appears!

## HYMN OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM



Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the highest...

Everlasting God, author of creation, you are the one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. We give you thanks for your gift of water that brings life, refreshes the earth, and unites us through baptism. We bless and praise you, for by water and the Word we are cleansed from sin and receive everlasting life.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Savior...

Join us again this day to the saving death of Christ; renew in us the living fountain of your grace; and raise us with Christ Jesus to live in newness of life, *that we* would be encouraged to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Spirit...

Send your Spirit to draw us into one body, that we would walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which we have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love. Come, Holy Spirit, and make us one.

Gloria a Dios or Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the highest...

Almighty God, who gives us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God our Father, your Son Jesus Christ prayed that his followers might be one. Make all Christians one with him as he is one with you, so that in peace and concord we may carry to the world the message of your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

READING: Ephesians 4:1-6

<sup>1</sup>I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: <sup>4</sup>there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 14:22-27

<sup>22</sup>Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?" <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE



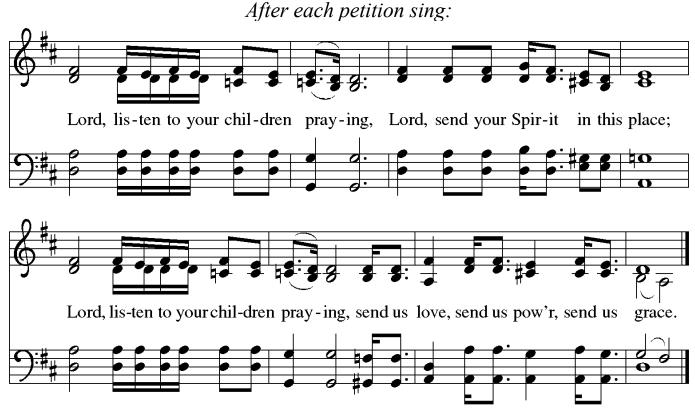
## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our prayers are always offered on behalf of the whole community.

United in Christ, we raise our joys and concerns to God who hears us.

## A brief silence.

Lord, listen to your children, we pray for your good creation. We give thanks for plants, animals, clean water and air. Hear us...



Lord, listen to your children, we pray for the church in every place around the world. Strengthen our connections with each other, and especially with our companion synods in Zimbabwe and Zambia. Hear us...

Lord, listen to your children, we pray for your families, friends, and those we meet in our daily lives. Give us peace in these relationships. Hear us...

Lord, listen to your children, we pray for all who are struggling to find homes, and those whose homes are unsafe. Give us the courage to help our neighbors. Hear us...

Lord, listen to your children and hear the concerns we raise to you. *Silence for individual petitions*.

Hear us...

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

Amen.

# **SHARING GOD'S MEAL**

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Share the peace in a way that cares for friend and neighbor.

## **OFFERING**

Cash offerings received at today's service will be shared with the Upstate New York Synod's World Hunger Appeal for 2024.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Merciful God,

as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your people be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING
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.

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.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your Love, O Lord, Gather into one all who share this bread and wine. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and make us your living presence. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

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 forever. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

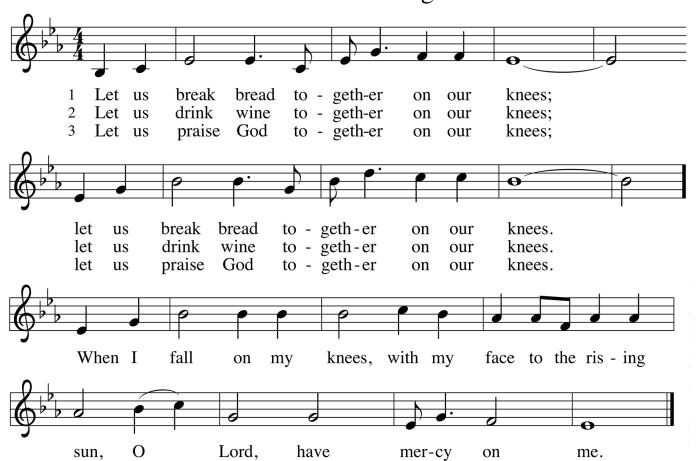
Thanks be to God!

# DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

There will be two communion stations today. On your way to receive communion, please take a plastic cup, unless you wish to receive grape juice, which will be in the pre-filled trays. Our communion bread today is gluten-free. When you have received communion, you may dispose of the cup in the basket and return to your seat.

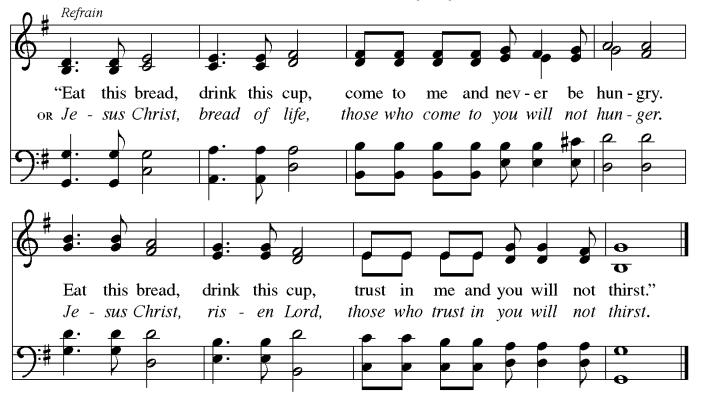
## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

# Let Us Break Bread Together

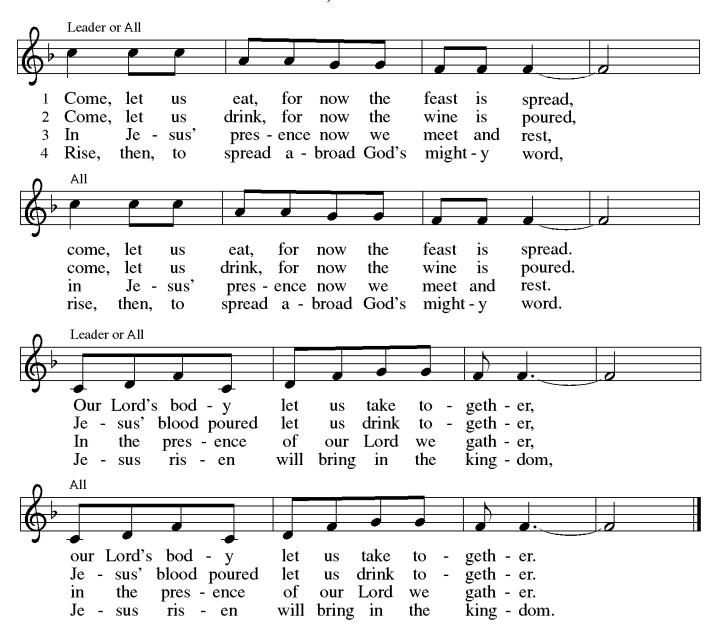


# Eat This Bread

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life



# Come, Let Us Eat



#### TABLE BLESSING

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God,

in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# **LEAVING TO SERVE**

## **BENEDICTION**

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

## Amen.

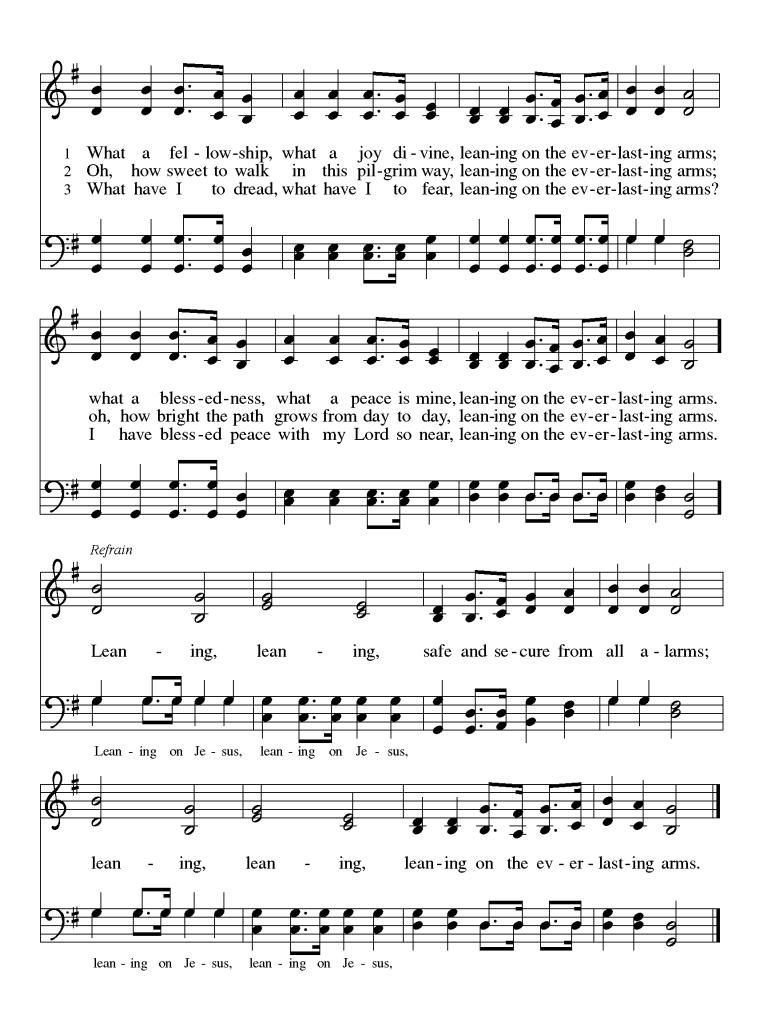
The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## Amen.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

## Amen.

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# DISMISSAL Go in the peace of Christ to love and serve the Lord! Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE** 

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