

Prelude: In Christ Alone – arr. Hayes

Please stand

Dialogue

O Lord, how majestic is your name!

You provide all that creation needs.

You bring us food and rest when we are weary;

Forgiveness when we have sinned;

Healing when we are hurting;

And peace when we are overwhelmed.

In thanksgiving we live by the Spirit,

Who guides our hearts and our minds.

We gather this day to worship; to pray and to bear one another's burdens.

To lift up to God our songs of thankfulness and praise.

Welcome

Please fill out the friendship pad in your pew, (please be sure to date the top of the page.)

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 together:

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: The Way (New Horizon), hymn will be projected

Please be seated

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:1-9

¹Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

⁴But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." [⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." ⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. ⁷The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."] ⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. ⁹At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

The holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Remix the Story

Pastoral Moment

Please stand

Hymn of the Day: In Christ Alone – Getty (See attached photocopy)

Apostles' Creed

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 power of 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

Please kneel as you are able

Prayers of Intercession:

Joining our voices with God's people around the world, let us offer our prayers for those in need.

A brief silence.

For all servants of the gospel, for the church throughout the world, and for all who sing the praise and glory of God, that through the gift of faith, all declare the wonderful name of Christ. Bless us in our mission to know, live and share your word, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the well-being of creation, for mountains and lakes, for fields and forests, and for plants and animals, that God lift up good stewards to care for the entire earth, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For the nations and their rulers, for aid workers, and for people in war-torn areas that God raise up leaders and advocates to work for the equality of all, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For all who cry out in need: the hungry and poor, the downtrodden and outcast, the grieving and the sick, that all know that God is near and hears their cries. Today we especially pray for: The family of Dave Dean on the death of his mother, Bernice Dean. The family of Nancy Norton. The family of Ethel Zvetchin on the death of her son, Mark. Carole Thomas on the death of her father. The family of Theresa Queh on the death of Theresa's granddaughter. Peter White, Sandy Weagley, Pete Whiteman, Betty Brennan, Pastor Susan Lynch, Linda Adams, Amanda Coover, Brett Van Handel, Lydia Fresca, Bob McCorkle, Rae Coughlin, Allison Parkinson, Fonda Pyfer, Kent Snell, Karen Wendland, Mereda Senter, Mandi Barnett, Louise Williams, Gail Morris, Hedy Tranchitella, Susan Scheivert, Sonny Reeder-Horton, Dick & Mary Barringer, Dick Whiteman, Justin Roland, Kasen Colbach and those we name before you now.....brief silence....., let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For teachers preparing for the upcoming school year, for those who are traveling and absent from worship, and for those who visit our congregation, that God's love lead them in their daily vocations, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

For all baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, including those who have died. Confident that we belong to you in life and in death, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Gracious and generous God, we thank you for the gifts you have given us. Inspire us to share our good fortunes as we move to fulfill our capital campaign goals. Motivate us to participate in the Under the Roof campaign through our deeds, prayers, financial support, time, talents and love.

As we move forward to know, live and share your word, lead us to continue Good Shepherd's ministries in our church, community and the world.

God of wisdom and strength, you know us better than we know ourselves. Guide our hearts towards thankful generosity and service, let us pray. Have mercy, O God.

God of wonder, hear the prayers of your servants as we express our needs in the silence of the moment and the privacy of our hearts.....(long silence).....let us pray, **Have mercy O God.**

Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please be seated

Offering

Offertory: O Master Let Me Walk With Thee –arr. Wood

Please stand

Offertory Response: W&P #18, Bind Us Together

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.
There is only one Body; that is why we can sing: *refrain*

Text Bob Gillman
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Presentation of Gifts - Offering Prayer

Let us pray together:

Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord. 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.

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.

Invitation To Communion

God invites you to this table of abundance.

Come, the banquet is ready.

Communion Song: W&P #76, Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God



Text: Dennis Jernigan, refrain of "You are my all in all"

Music: ALL IN ALL, Dennis Jernigan

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Please be seated, ushers will direct you to communion. Gluten free wafers are available, please ask your server.

Distribution

Communion Hymns: ELW #583, Take My Life
ELW #843, Praise The One Who Breaks The Darkness

Please stand

Post Communion Blessing

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

Post Communion Prayer

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Benediction

Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

We Bless One Another

Blessed by God, let us bless on another
The Lord Bless you and keep you this week.

Sending Hymn: It Is Well, (Yancy Ministries), hymn will be projected

Please be seated

Announcements

Dismissal

Now go in peace, to Know, to Live, and to Share God's Word. **Thanks be to God.**