

PRELUDE

WELCOME

MEDITATION

CONFESSION & 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.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna of heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus (+), the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Gather Us In - ELW #532

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out

of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life...
People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm 34:1-8 (*Read responsively by half verse.*)

I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.

The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him and delivers them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON - Heather Lussier

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – God of Grace and God of Glory - ELW 705, v. 1
God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us

wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Pastor: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

THE SERMON

We've Got Work to Do - Part One

Pastor Frank Waugh

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: This Little Light of Mine - ELW#677

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING RESPONSE: Let All Things Now Living - ELW #881 V.1

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator

triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our days. God's banners are over us, God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into light.

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – (ELW p. 206)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE

THE SANCTUS – (ELW p. 207)

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come, share, eat and live!

COMMUNION SONGS

AGNUS DEI - (ELW p. 208)

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

THE 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.**

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, (+) be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

THE SENDING SONG: Lift Every Voice and Sing - ELW#841

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE