GO and PROCLAIM the reign of God EVERYWHERE

Luke 9:60

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WELCOME TO THE STORY

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus' call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit's fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

A Story that Invites Us

All invitations to stand or kneel are for those who are able.

SINGING BOWL

During the ringing of the bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.

PRELUDE – "Invitacion Fountain" – Kathleen Keating and Michael Keating

WELCOME

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- *P:* The peace of Christ is with you.
- All: And also with you.

Please Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

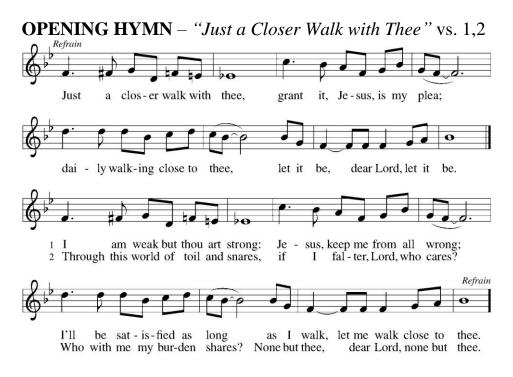
- *P:* Generous, compassionate God, you call us to live in peace with one another, sharing the good gifts you give us with all of your creation.
- All: Yet, we hang on tightly to our possessions, fearing that we will not have enough.
- *P:* You call us to remember that we are one in Christ, and to treat one another with love and respect.
- All: Still, we argue over little things, expecting you to tell us that we are right and that others are wrong.
- *P:* You call us to rely on you, and to put our trust in your eternal love.
- All: Forgive us when we turn away from you.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- *P:* God has promised to fill us with good things, to satisfy our hunger and thirst with love and grace. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.
- All: In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: The Spirit is here,
- All: inviting us to worship.
- L: The Spirit is here,
- All: in each of our lives.
- L: The Spirit is here,
- All: in our gathered community.
- L: The Spirit is here,
- All: guiding us together in love, peace, and patience.



GREETING

- P: The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace is with you all.
- All: And also with you. Amen.



- L: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- All: Refrain

L: That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Refrain

L: For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Refrain

- L: For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- All: Refrain

HYMN OF PRAISE ... "Glory to God"







THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L: Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives.
- All: Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Be Seated

The Story that Shapes and Forms Us

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

Reader: Today's reading is from Galatians, chapter five, beginning with the thirteenth verse.

READING ... Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

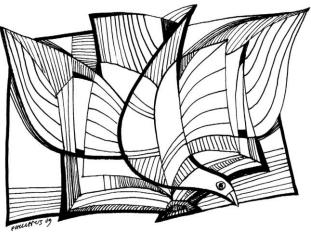
By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

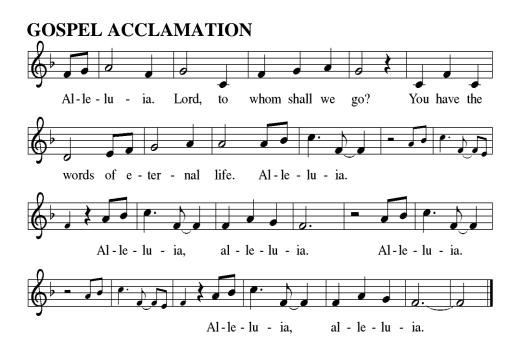
RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Reader: In freedom, we are called to live the law of love.
All: In freedom, we are given the Spirit.
Reader: For it is the Spirit that leads us to grow:
All: in love, joy, peace and patience;
Reader: in kindness, generosity, and faithfulness;
All: in gentleness and self-control.
Reader: It is the Spirit who invites us to nourish God's world,
All: with these sifts that are growing within us

All: with these gifts that are growing within us.

Please Stand





P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the ninth chapter.All: Glory to you, O God.

GOSPEL . . . *Luke* 9:51-62

As the time approached when he was to be taken from this world, Jesus firmly resolved to proceed toward Jerusalem and sent messengers on ahead. They entered a Samaritan town to make preparations for him, but the Samaritans wouldn't welcome Jesus because his destination was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Rabbi, do you want us to call down fire from heaven and destroy them?" But Jesus turned and reprimanded them. Then they set off for another town.

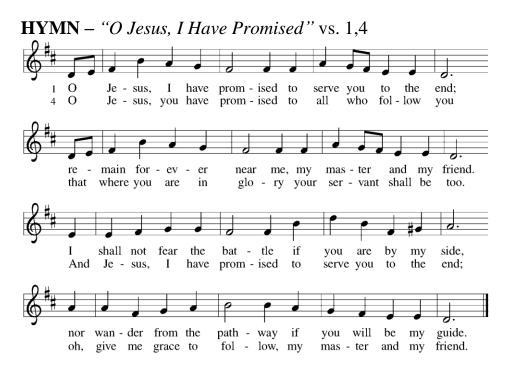
As they were making their way along, they met a fellow traveler who said to Jesus, "I'll follow you wherever you go." Jesus replied, "Foxes have lairs, the birds of the sky have nests, but the Chosen One has nowhere to rest." To another traveler Jesus said, "Follow me." The traveler replied, "Let me bury my father first." Jesus said in return, "Let the dead bury their dead; you go and proclaim the reign of God everywhere." Yet another traveler approached Jesus in this way: "I'll be your follower, Rabbi, but first let me say goodbye to my people at home." Jesus answered, "Whoever puts a hand to the plow but keeps looking back is unfit for the reign of God."

P: The Gospel, the good news of God.All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S TIME – Pastor Tim

Please Stand



Be Seated

MESSAGE – Pastor Tim

Please Stand

APOSTLE'S CREED

- L: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed:
- All: 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

- L: Jesus says, "Take nothing for the journey—no bread, no bags, no money." Rather, bring yourselves, totally and completely. Bring your love, your gifts, your service, your leadership.
- All: May this be so as we share our offerings of monetary gifts in this time together.

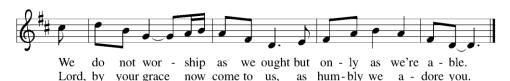
THANKFUL OFFERING

Please Stand



OFFERTORY RESPONSE – "Accept, O Lord the Gifts We





OFFERTORY PRAYER

- L: Touch these gifts, O God,
- All: with your manifold blessings.
- L: Touch our very lives,
- All: that we may be instruments of your hope.
- L: May our gifts and our lives,
- All: bring your healing, love, and compassion to a world in need. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

- L: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need. God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,
- All: hear our prayer.
- L: God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,
- All: hear our prayer.
- L: God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying. Uphold those who grieve.

Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

L: God of all, hear now the prayers of our heart said either silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: God of grace,

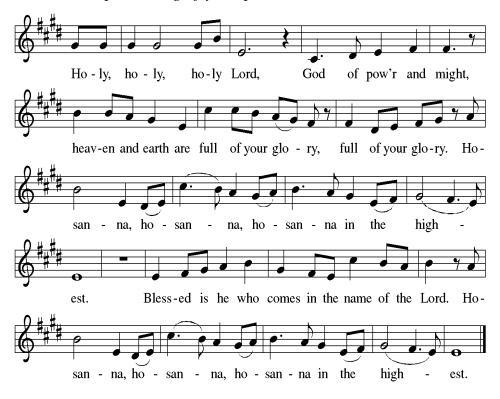
All: hear our prayer.

- L: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
- All: Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- L: God is with you.
- All: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- All: We lift them up to God.
- L: Let us give thanks to God.
- All: It is right to give thanks and praise.
- *P:* Eternal God, in the abundance of your love you have caused all things to be;
- All: from dust and spirit you have woven our humanity;
- *P: in all our wanderings you never cease to call us to fullness of life.*
- All: You gave us Jesus, son of Mary, the bread of life broken for the world;

- *P: he fed us and feasted with us, he healed us and suffered for us;*
- All: his dying and rising have set us free from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.
- *P:* Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished, and called, with all who hunger for your kingdom and will not rest until all your children are fed, with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages, we take up the song of your praise:



P: We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts, that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.' In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold. Great is the mystery of faith.

- All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- *P:* Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ;
- All: we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.
- *P:* Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.
- All: We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever. Amen.

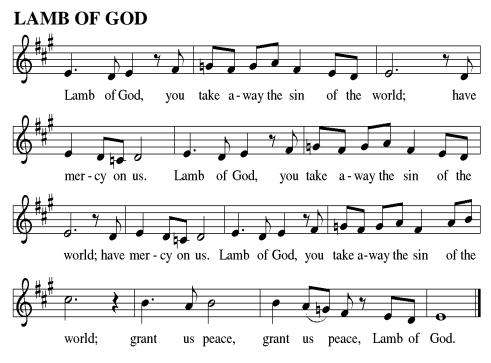
THE LORD'S PRAYER

- *P:* Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or translation of our hearts.
- All: 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.



FRACTION RITE

- *P:* Here is food that satisfies, the taste of communion. Here is wine pouring free, the washing away of fear. Here is life abundant, a table of peace for all.
- All: May this peace be in us and among us, a sign of hope for a world renewed.



Be Seated

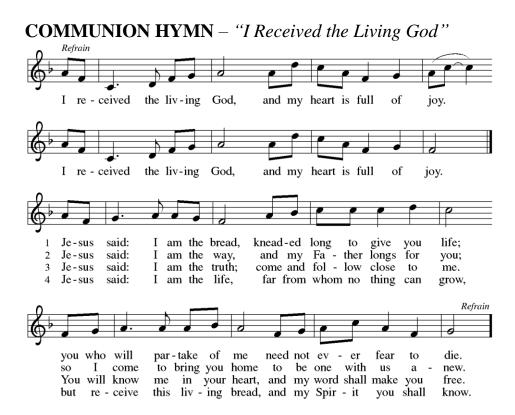
Holy Communion is open to all. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

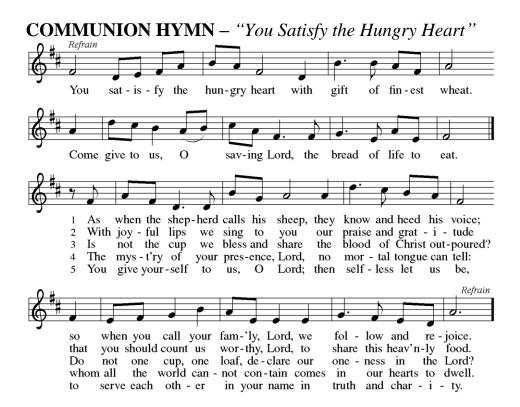


For communion at the altar rail:

You may come up the center aisle to the altar rail as space allows, stand or kneel, and hold out your hand for the pastor to drop the wafer into. Then take a cup of grape juice (white) or wine (red) from the assistant, partake, then return to your seat via the side aisles, depositing your disposable cup in the provided bowls.

For communion at your seat with pre-packaged kit: You may come to altar rail as above, take a communion kit from the assistant, and return to your seat to partake. Or you may remain seated and partake of the communion kit you picked up at the entrance. The ushers will come around to collect empty kits.





SINGING BOWL

Please Stand

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

- *P:* Creator God, bless this gift of bread with the yeast of your love.
- All: Flow through this gift of wine with your life-giving grace.
- *P:* As we receive these gifts, make us one with you through the power of your Holy Spirit.
- All: Nurture our lives, that we may be loaves of your generous abundance.
- *P:* Pour your grace into our hearts, that we may be vines of loving nourishment for one another and for a world in need of growth and strength.
- All: In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

- L: Loving God, in this meal you sustain the weary and heal the broken.
- All: May the gift of your word made flesh, the body and blood of Christ, inspire our tongues to praise you and proclaim to the entire world the Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

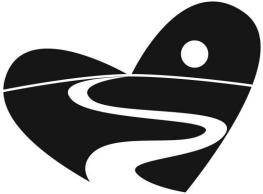
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A Story that Sends Us Out to Love and Serve

COMMISSIONING

- *P:* Go to be fruitful in all that you do! Bring love, joy, peace, and patience to everyone you meet. Share kindness, gentleness, and generosity in every encounter.
- All: In doing so, we not only live by the Spirit, we bring the Spirit with us.

Those who desire extra time to exit are invited to do so during the last hymn.





DISMISSAL

- L: Go in peace. Serve God's people.
- All: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE – "Go Make a Difference" – Myrna Emata Diaz, Kathleen Keating, and Michael Keating

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