



**+ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
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**Order for Worship**

*Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there  
press him for a sign of his power. Perhaps it is daily manna they want.  
As always in John's gospel, when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself.  
He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world.  
He calls us to come to him and believe in him,  
and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.*

***A few notes on precautions and protocols, which apply to everyone regardless of vaccination  
status, as St. Andrew returns to worship in the sanctuary:***

- Name and contact information will be recorded for all worshipers in attendance in case the need for contact tracing should arise.
- Face masks that fully cover both your mouth and nose are required at all times for everyone over the age of two (2) – the only exception being the brief moment of moving mask aside to partake in Holy Communion.
- Outside food and drink are thus not permissible during worship.
- Physical distancing of at least six (6) feet will be observed at all times for people not from your household.
- We invite the congregation to voice responses and prayers during worship. A cantor will sing the hymns with a mask on, and the rest of the congregation is encouraged to follow along silently.
- We ask that everyone use hand sanitizer, either your own or from the bottles throughout the sanctuary, especially prior to Holy Communion.

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

# **Gathering**

*Please rise as you are able.*

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundant grace,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God, our provider,  
**come to the help of your people.**  
**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.**

P: Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from 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.  
**C: Amen.**

*We ask that those present in the church sanctuary refrain from singing the hymns aloud.  
The assembly gathered from afar is encouraged to sing!*

**Gathering Hymn**

**All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**

**ELW 461**

- 1 All who hunger gather gladly;  
holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wand'ring.  
Here in truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness,  
all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.**
  
- 2 All who hunger, never strangers;  
seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming.  
Here in joy we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered  
in communion's love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.**
  
- 3 All who hunger, sing together,  
Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing.  
Here in peace we have been fed.  
Blest are those who from this table  
live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal.  
Taste and see that God is good.**

## **Greeting**

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

**C: And also with you.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray.

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love,

you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied.

Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Word**

### **First Reading – Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15**

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for the Lord has heard your complaining.’” <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading – Ephesians 4: 1-16

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life 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.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said,

“When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;  
he gave gifts to his people.”

<sup>9</sup>(When it says, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into the one who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise as you are able.*

## Gospel Acclamation *(Spoken)*

P: Alleluia. One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia.

## Gospel – John 6: 24-35

P: The holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Humanity will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you

believe in the one whom God has sent.”<sup>30</sup> So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?”<sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”<sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.<sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”<sup>34</sup> They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## Sermon

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Hymn of the Day**

**Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer**

**ELW 618**

**v. 1-2**

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,  
pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but you are mighty;  
hold me with your pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore,  
feed me now and evermore.**
  
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain  
where the healing waters flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,  
shield me with your mighty arm,  
shield me with your mighty arm.**

## Prayers of the People

P: Fed by the abundance of Christ and sustained by the Holy Spirit,  
we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*After each petition*

P: Receive our prayers, O God,

**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God; confident in the promise of your saving love;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated while the table is being prepared.*

*We offer ourselves, our gifts, and our faithful service to God.*

*An offering plate is available at the back of the sanctuary for those who would like to offer gifts  
as you leave worship today.*

## Meal

*Please rise as you are able.*

## Offertory Prayer

P: 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 for others what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.

**C: Amen.**

## Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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



## **Preface**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ...  
... and join their unending hymn.

## **Sanctus**

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord ...  
... be all honor and glory, now and forever.  
**C: Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

P: Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.  
**C: 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 and Invitation**

## ***Agnus Dei / Lamb of God***

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Holy Communion**

- *For Holy Communion, we will not be kneeling at the altar rail due to the need for physical distancing.*
- *At the invitation of the usher, worshipers from the pulpit side will proceed forward first, followed by the center section, and then the lectern side.*
- *The Communion bread/wafer is in small cups on the left side of the altar table as you come forward. Cups of wine (lighter liquid) and grape juice (darker liquid) are on your right.*
- *A blessing will be provided for anyone who does not yet receive the sacrament, following physical distancing guidelines.*
- *Everyone is asked to wait until you return to your place to consume the wafer and wine/grape juice, and then promptly replace your mask.*
- *Worshipers can place the paper cups in the receptacle by the door at the back of the sanctuary as they leave through the Centre and Morewood Ave. vestibule.*

## **Hymn during Holy Communion**

**Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness**

***ELW 488***

**v. 1, 3-4**

- 1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,  
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,  
come into the daylight's splendor,  
there with joy your praises render.  
Bless the one whose grace unbounded  
this amazing banquet founded;  
Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy,  
deigns to dwell with you most lowly.**
- 3 Now in faith I humbly ponder  
over this surpassing wonder  
that the bread of life is boundless**

**though the souls it feeds are countless;  
with the choicest wine of heaven  
Christ's own blood to us is given.  
Oh, most glorious consolation,  
pledge and seal of my salvation.**

**4 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,  
truest friend, and dearest treasure,  
peace beyond all understanding,  
joy into all life expanding:  
humbly now, I bow before you,  
love incarnate, I adore you;  
worthily let me receive you,  
and, so favored, never leave you.**

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*When all have returned to their places, please rise as you are able.*

## **Blessing**

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

## **Prayer**

**P:** Let us pray.  
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.  
**C: Amen.**

## Sending

### Benediction

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

C: Amen.

### Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

### *Abbreviations*

P: Pastor/Presiding Minister

L: Lector

C: Congregation

***ELW: Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal***

### *Those serving in worship today*

Pianist

Lector

Cantor

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Director of Faith Formation

Presiding Minister

Lily Cai

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