

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday August 1st, 2021 – 9:00 am

Music Today

Cross Road

AS WE GATHER

Bread, in one form or another, is a diet staple in most every culture. Though today we can be overwhelmed at the grocery store with countless types and styles, even in its simplest form, bread continues to sustain stomachs in a variety of ways. Bread, or the simplest form of manna, is what the Lord would use to sustain His people in the wilderness, and the image of bread is what He would use to help people understand the greater gift He came to give in His own Son. Yet, more than sustaining a diet for this body and life, Jesus, the bread of life, has come to serve us salvation, sustain our souls, and feed us with His forgiveness.

Gathering Song This is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings **Chorus**

Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

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Welcome & Invocation

Opening Song My All In All

You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek;
You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up, I'd be a fool;
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising again I bless Your name;
You are my all in all.
When I fall down, You pick me up;
When I am dry, You fill my cup;
You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.

You are the Strength when I am weak
You are the Treasure that I seek,
You are my ALL in ALL!

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Confession & Forgiveness *John 6:33, 35; 1 John 1:9*

Pastor: Jesus is the bread of life, come down from heaven to give life to the world.

People: Lord, we hunger for Your presence.

Pastor: If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

People: Lord, we hunger for Your forgiveness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God, our Father,

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Pastor: In the wilderness of this world we forget Your presence.

People: We grumble and complain about Your provision.

Pastor: We focus too often on our wants and needs of this world.

People: We fail to rejoice in the daily giving of Your grace and mercy.

Pastor: Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.

People: Lord, we hunger for You. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Merciful Father, You gave Your Son, Jesus, as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Reader

Dyann Harp

First Reading

Exodus 16:2–15

(Bread from heaven)

²The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” ⁸And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” ¹⁰And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹And the LORD said to Moses, ¹²“I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1–16

(Unity in the Body of Christ)

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. ⁸Therefore it says,

“When he ascended on high he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men.”

⁹(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) ¹¹And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint

with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Third Reading

John 6:22–35

(Jesus is the bread of life.)

²²On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?" ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

Pastor: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message / Kid's Church

Song of the Day

We Believe

In this time of desperation
There is only one foundation

In this broken generation
There is only one salvation

We Believe in God the Father
We Believe in the Holy Spirit
We Believe in the crucifixion
We Believe in His resurrection
We Believe

So let our faith be more than anthems
In our weakness and temptations

We Believe in God the Father
We Believe in the Holy Spirit
We Believe in the crucifixion
We Believe in His resurrection

when all we know is doubt and fear
We Believe We Believe

When all is dark You help us see
We Believe We Believe

We Believe in Jesus Christ
And He's given us new life
We Believe that He conquered death
And He's coming back again

Greater than the songs we sing
We Believe We Believe

We Believe in Jesus Christ
And He's given us new life
We Believe that He conquered death
And He's coming back again

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
in the here and now let love invade
Let the church live loud our God will save
That the gates of hell will not prevail
Now we know Your love will never fail
We Believe in God the Father
We Believe in the Holy Spirit
We Believe in the crucifixion
We Believe in His resurrection

We Believe We Believe
for the power of God has torn the veil
We Believe We Believe
We Believe in Jesus Christ
And He's given us new life
We Believe that He conquered death
And He's coming back again

We Believe We Believe We Believe

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Sermon

"A House of Bread"

Pastor Aaron Boerst

Creed – Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Pastor: Ever-present Lord, in this world, a place of sin and wilderness, You give us what we need to sustain our bodies and lives. Greater than anything, You sent Your Son from heaven to be the bread of life that we never hunger for grace and forgiveness. We humbly ask You to be with us, sustain us, lead us, and guide us through this land all our days. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord of all comfort and peace, hear the cries of all who bear burdens emotionally, spiritually, and physically. We especially lay before You those who desire our prayers. Give hope to those who mourn and grieve. Let Your presence be known, and heal according to Your will. Point us to the greater healing of eternal life in the resurrection. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Lord of all provision, we thank You for the daily bread You give to us. As You provide for all Your creatures, give us grateful hearts to live in continual thanks to You. Work Your justice and mercy through our leaders and those throughout the world. Enliven our faith that fruits be had in loving service to our neighbors. Feed us with Your Word and Spirit, and as we receive Your body and blood in this Sacrament, satisfy our hunger and thirst for forgiveness and grant nourishment of faith. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, Hear us now on behalf of those in our congregation and all who stand in need:

Local concerns are added by congregational elder.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Sharing the Peace

Offering *Instrumental*

Presentation of Gifts

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You are the giver of all good things, and Your Word makes clear that every good and perfect gift comes from You. We ask that You accept these gifts back unto Yourself and use them to Your glory. *[Psalm 145:15, James 1:17]*

People: Amen.

Holy Communion

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *[2 Timothy 4:22]*

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Words of Our Lord *[Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25]*

Proclamation of Christ

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *[1 Cor. 11:26]*

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *[Revelation 22:20]*

Lord's Prayer *[Matthew 6:9–13]*

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: 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.

Distribution

Holy Spirit

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
No thing can compare You're our living hope
Your Presence

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
In Your Presence Lord

Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord
Your Presence Lord

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close

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Jesus Messiah

He became sin, who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing, love so amazing

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing, love so amazing

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

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Jesus, Name Above All Names

¹ Jesus, name above all names, Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

² Jesus, loving Shepherd Vine of the branches, Son of God.
Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

³ Jesus, Way of salvation. King of kings. Lord of lords.
The way, the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, My Savior and friend.

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Benediction [*Numbers 6:24-26*]

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you.
 The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The LORD look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

People: **Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Song Let My Lifesong Sing to You

¹ Empty hands held high
a small sacrifice
not joined with my life
I sing in vain tonight
May the Words I say
and the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
bring a smile to you.

Chorus Let my lifesong sing to you
 Let my lifesong sing To you
 I wanna sign your name
 to the end of this day
 knowing my heart was true
 Let my lifesong sing To you

² Lord I give my life
a living sacrifice
to reach a world in need
to be your hands and feet
May the Words I say
and the things I do
Make my lifesong sing
bring a smile to you **Chorus x2**
Let my lifesong sing To you

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