Tabor Lutheran Church/King of Kings Lutheran Church Combined Outdoor Worship

August 18, 2024 13th Sunday after Pentecost 11:00 am

INTRODUCTION

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning.

HYMN: Hippo Song Denise Tristano - guitar

In the beginning God made the sea
And the forest filled with trees
God made the mountains up so high
Above it all God made the sky
God's fingerprints are everywhere
Just to show how much He cares
And in between God had some fun
He made a hippo that weighed a ton!

Chorus:

Hip, Hip, Hippopotamus Hip Hip, Hooray, God made all of us.

Hip, Hip, Hippopotamus Hip Hip, Hooray, God made all of us.

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN Give Me Oil in My Lamp Denise Tristano - guitar

Refrain:

Sing hosanna! sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King of kings!

Sing hosanna! sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to the King of kings!

Verse 1

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, burning Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning.
Keep me burning til the break of day.

Verse 2

Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing, singing, singing Give me joy in my heart, I pray.
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing.
keep me singing til the break of day.

Verse 3

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving, serving Give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
Keep me serving til the break of day.

Verse 4

Give me gas in my Ford, keep me trucking for the Lord. Give me gas in my Ford, I pray Give me gas in my Ford, keep me trucking for the Lord Keep me trucking til the break of day.

Verse 5

Give me umption in my gumption let me function for the Lord.
Give me umption in my gumption, I pray.
Give me umption in my gumption let me function for the Lord
Let me function til the break of day.

Verse 6

Give me wax on my board, keep me surfing for the Lord. Give me wax on my board, I pray. Give me wax on my board, Keep me surfing for the Lord. Keep me surfing til the break of day.

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

Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

HYMN: Sanctuary (Ephesians 2:19-22)

Lord prepare us to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true with thanksgiving,
We'll be a living sanctuary for you.

WORD

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FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14

Read responsively

Denise Tristano - guitar

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,

for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

¹⁰The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,

but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.

¹¹Come, children, and lis- | ten to me;

I will teach you reverence | for the LORD.

¹²Who among you takes plea- | sure in life

and desires long life to en- joy prosperity?

¹³Keep your | tongue from evil

and your lips from lying words.

¹⁴Turn from evil | and do good;

seek peace | and pursue it.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





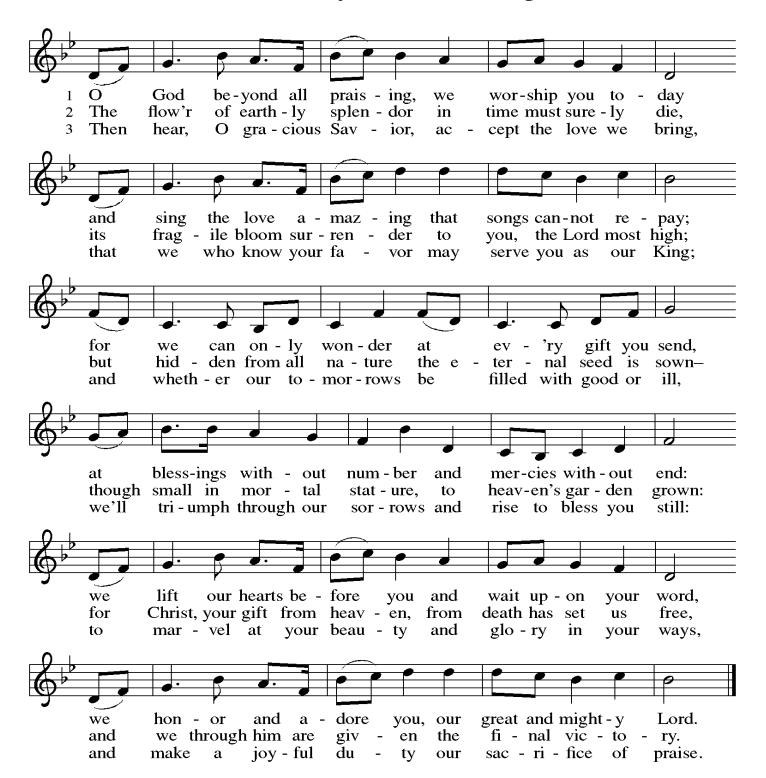
The Holy gospel according to John, the 6th Chapter. Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58
The gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON *A brief silence for reflection.*

Pastor Bill Dohle

O God beyond All Praising



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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 Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Wisdom has built her house. May the church be a house of wisdom for all who enter. May we continue to grow and stretch in ways we never thought possible. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Wisdom has mixed her wine. May the harvest seasons be plentiful this year. We pray for orchards, vineyards, farms, and all of creation (*local agriculture may be named*). Protect and conserve the earth. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Wisdom has employed her laborers. Be with all who seek adequate employment. Guide our economic and governmental leaders to support the people of our world with fair wages and safe working conditions. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Wisdom has invited her guests. Make your presence known to all who feel lost, abandoned, or hurting at this time. Direct your spirit of care to all who seek healing and comfort (*especially*). Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Wisdom has set her table. May this congregation be a welcome table to all who seek the refuge of God. Break down walls and barriers that prevent us from offering a seat at this table to anyone who comes. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

Wisdom has shown her path of insight. May we journey on her paths, looking toward a bright future while remembering from where we have come. We give our thanks for those who have gone before us. Merciful God,

Receive our prayer.

We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

MEAL

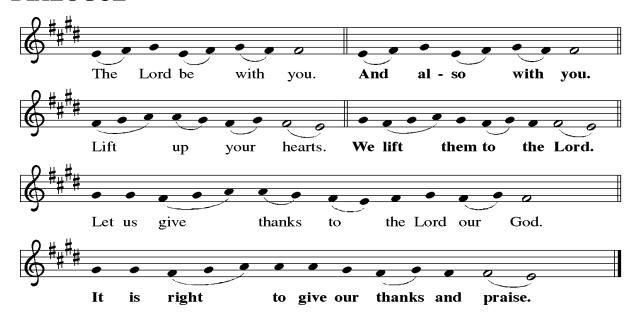
PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING 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.**

DIALOGUE



PREFACE

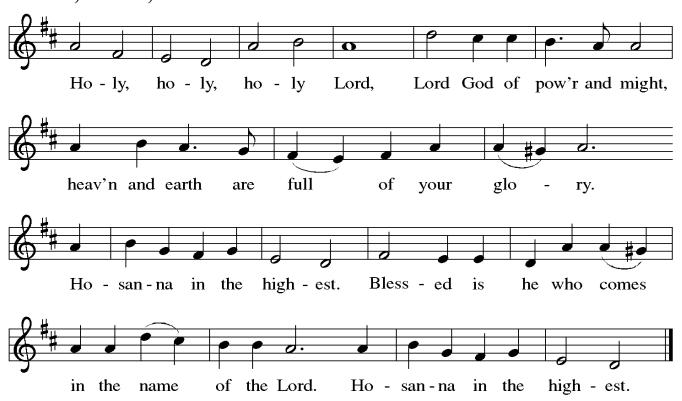
It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, in the company of those who live with integrity, for you have given yourself to us as flesh and blood and become the bread that nourishes us for eternal life.

Your righteousness was established before time began and all you have created reflects your honour and majesty. You made a covenant with your people and gave yourself generously to all who seek your wisdom and walk in your ways.

In your great and steadfast love, you have come to redeem your people, offering us life in your Son, Jesus. Though his blood was poured out and his flesh sent to the grave, you raised him up to new life, and now he offers himself to us as the bread of heaven, so that all who eat and drink of him might live forever as one with him.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

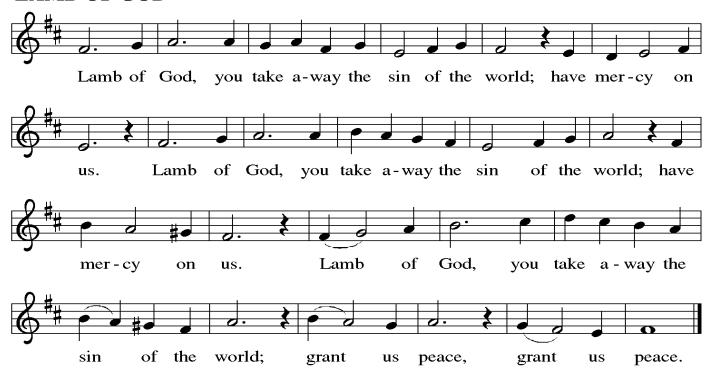
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the 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!

Thanks be to God!

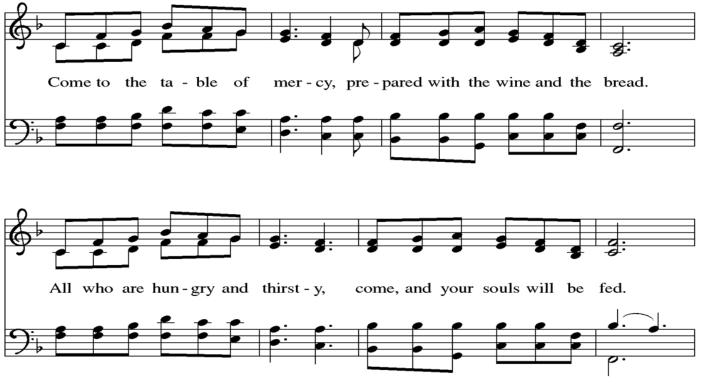
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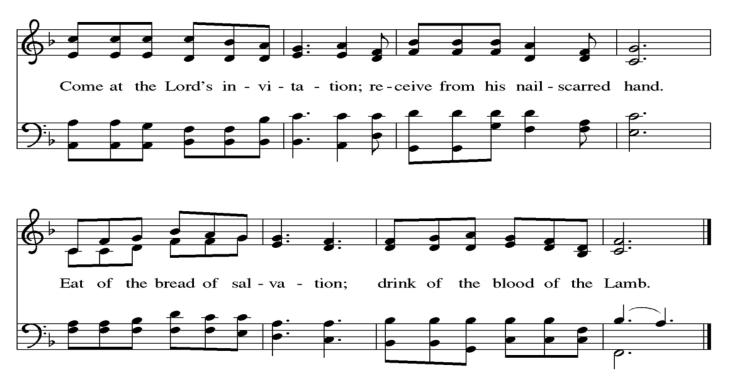
COMMUNION HYMN

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Come to the Table



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COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 821

Shout to the Lord



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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God!