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WELCOME

PRELUDE

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God Himself is With Us

Edward Broughton

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult

ELW 696 (vv. 1, 2, 5)

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| 1 | Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's
wild, restless sea, day by day his clear voice
sounding, saying, "Christian, follow me": | 2 | As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the
Galilean lake, turned from home and toil
and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake. |
| 5 | Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Savior, may
we hear your call, give our hearts to your
obedience, serve and love you best of all. | | |

(Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818-1895; Music: William H. Jude, 1851-1922)

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

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses

Psalm 145:10-18

All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.**

You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

**You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.**

You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and

depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 6:1-21

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

ELW 674

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| 1 Let us talents and tongues employ,
reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured,
Christ is spoken and seen and heard | Refrain
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,
pass the Word around: loaves abound! | 3 Jesus calls us in, sends us out
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,
gives us love to tell, bread to share:
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere! Refrain |
| 2 Christ is able to make us one,
at the table he sets the tone,
teaching people to live to bless,
love in word and in deed express. Refrain | | |

(Text: Fred Kaan; Music: Jamaican folk tune, adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980; Text and music © 1976 Hope Publishing Company)

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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each petition Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

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

We offer each other a sign of God's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC

To a Wild Rose (from Woodland Sketches) Edward MacDowell/ arr. Robert Lau
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An offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of God's Church.
Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING HYMN

We Give Thee but Thine Own

ELW 686 (vv. 1, 2)

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| <p>1 We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.</p> | <p>2 May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.</p> |
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(Text: William W. How, 1832-1897, alt.; Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda)

OFFERING PRAYER

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

FRACTURE

The breaking of the bread.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

COMMUNION

The body and Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

ELW 469

- 1 By your hand you feed your people,
food of angels, heaven's bread.
For these gifts we did not labor,
by your grace have we been fed:

Refrain

Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
cup o'er flowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token
of your world redeemed, restored.

2 In this meal we taste your sweetness,
bread for hunger, wine of peace.
Holy word and holy wisdom
satisfy our deepest needs. **Refrain**

3 Send us now with faith and courage
to the hungry, lost, bereaved.
In our living and our dying,
we become what we receive: **Refrain**

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Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

ELW 767

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| 1 Lord, take my hand and lead me upon life's way; direct, protect, and feed me from day to day. Without your grace and favor I go astray; so take my hand, O Savior, and lead the way. | 2 Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear; for you, the Rock of Ages, are always near. Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe, for when your hand is guiding, in peace I go. |
| 3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen and night has come, I know that you will strengthen my steps toward home, then nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend! So, take my hand and lead me unto the end. | |

(Text Julie von Hausmann, 1825-1901: tr. Lutheran Book of Worship; Music: Friedrich Silcher, 1789-1860; Text © 1978 Lutheran Book of Worship, admin. Augsburg Fortress)

Announcements

July Worship Schedule – 10 am - In-person & live streamed worship

Today at 1 pm- Oberammergau 2022 informational meeting. If you are interested in getting more information about the trip rescheduled from July, 2020, please plan to attend. This gathering will also include a Zoom link so that we can join Pastor Lesley and other interested travelers. Let Martha know if you are planning to attend either in person or via Zoom.



The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service today are given in honor of Chris and Rachel Hills' 29th wedding anniversary.

We are taking altar flower dedications. The dates available are: August 22nd and 29th, September 5th, 19th and 26th, October 3rd, 10th, 24th, and 31st, November 7th, December 19th, 24th and 26th.



We are excited to announce the tentative return of our Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 9 am – 2 pm. Mark your calendar. We are hopeful that the conditions will remain stable to allow us to proceed with the event. We will keep you updated in the coming months.

NNO is scheduled for Tuesday, August 3rd from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. This is a community event that includes a visit from the local police and fire department, food, games and entertainment. Please email Amanda Wood at amanda.regina.wood@gmail.com if you would like to help with this event. If there are any musicians in the church who are willing to play for the NNO event, please contact Amanda at the above email address.



Join us for our next Restaurant Night at Silver Spring Mining Company in Perry Hall located at 8634 Belair Road. This is a two day event on Wed., August 18th & Thurs., August 19th from 11 am to 10 pm. Flyers are located in the narthex and on the website. A flyer is not necessary to participate, just mention that you are with St. John's.

Our clothing shed is open. All donations must be bagged. Acceptable donations are: All clothing, shoes, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, drapes, and stuffed toys. Thanks for your cooperation.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Recessional in A Minor

Lani Smith

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Prayer List



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

For health & healing: Chris Cappucci, Donna McDonough, Marion McDonough, Mike McDonough, Everest Mehan, Julie Hastings, Dave Kocan, Debbie Miller, Pat Denk, Philip Kramer, Sandy Scott, John McLaughlin, Tony Jasinski, Betty Hedgespeth, Robert Scott, Suzanne Lindsay, Patty Schwab, Ardi Scarborough and Vickie Jasinski

For family & friends: Janet Hedgespeth, Rosemay Balmos, Jacob Gude, Roberta Wiessner, Sharon Hunt, Helen & Don Bender, John Miller, Norma Weber, Karen Alban, Doug Adams, Linda Asplin, Karen Ehrenberg and Linda Fliegel

For those grieving family & friends of:

For the military and their families: Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Jacob Verble, Lance Corporal Justin Ferro, Sgt. Stephen Peck, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, Chaplain A. J. Striffler and all those in harm's way

For St. John's Caring Friends: Trudy Anderson, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Gladys Downs, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Betty Hedgespeth, Leroy Hohne, Philip Kramer, Audrey Lentz, John Lotterer, Patrick O'Connell, Arthur Pulket, Mary Ann Reek, Patricia Sollanek, Cass Tracey, Emma Volz, Doris Warfield, and Clara Westphal

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