

August 2, 2020

Before service speak silently to the Lord, during the service let the Lord speak powerfully to you.

## Service for the Worship of God



Our Mission is to be a  
community of disciples  
with a heart for God  
and hands to help others.

Special flowers are in  
celebration of Gary and  
Margaret Schiefer's 48th  
wedding  
anniversary.



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\* = All who are able please stand. ♦ **boldface** = congregation participates

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord we come to this place with a joyful heart, and you welcome us with abundance. Help us to see all that is here, instead of all that may be missing in our minds. Remind us that you are here, and this is all we need. Amen.

GATHERING MUSIC: (9:00am) *Christians, We Have Met to Worship*  
arr. Mark Hayes

## Gathering in the Lord's Presence

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come to worship God, who makes water flow from the  
rock,

**People: who provides food in the desert,**

Leader: who sends the rain from heaven and makes the wilderness  
blossom and flourish.

**People: As the deer thirsts for flowing streams, so we thirst for  
you, O God.**

Leader: Come, witness our life-giving God, who pours out living  
water on all who thirst and who feeds all who are hungry.

**ALL: Let us worship God.**

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Admitting Our Brokenness)

God of abundance, you have promised to provide us with more  
than mere survival; in your holy love, you have given us so  
much: talents and treasure in unlimited supply. But often, we  
spend these on superficial needs. Forgive us, we pray, as we  
rely more upon our own human illusions of control and  
satisfaction, even though we know that these illusions separate  
us from you. Forgive us for not trusting in your grace, in your  
abundance, in the covenant promises that you have renewed  
with every generation. In Christ, may we learn to love you more  
than we love ourselves. Amen.

## **\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Come, all you who are thirsty. If you take the first step, if you are willing to plunge once again into the waters and to emerge into new life, you will receive a love beyond all you can envision.

**People: We turn our hearts to God, and by grace our hungers are satisfied, our thirsts are sated; through Christ we are made whole; by the Spirit we are led forth as God's people. Amen.**

## **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

### *Hearing the Word*

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### **SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55:1-5**

*<sup>1</sup> Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. <sup>2</sup> Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. <sup>3</sup> Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. <sup>4</sup> See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. <sup>5</sup> See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.*

SPECIAL MUSIC (9:00am): *Fantasia in F Minor* by Telemann

Dylan Rehm

### **SCRIPTURE: Matthew 14:13-21**

*<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup> And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.*

## **RESPONSE:**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE: *Fishes & Loaves*

# *Responding to the Word*

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING

***THE LORD'S PRAYER***

## *Going Forth to Serve*

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

PARTING MUSIC: (9:00am) *Epilogue on "Silver Street"*

arr. Lani Smith

### LEADING IN WORSHIP

Bill Shepard, Reader

Lauren Cochran, Pastor

Matt Parker Wrzeszcz, Associate Pastor

#### 9:00am

Dylan Rehm, Chancel Choir & Handbell Director

Darlene Richards, Organ

#### 11:15am

Kurt Schweitz, Messenger Band Director

Messenger Praise Band