SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 6, 2023

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SILENT MEDITATION

CHORAL INTROIT Psalm 145:15-16, 21

The eyes of all look to you and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless God's holy name forever.

GATHERING PRAYER | STANDING

God who feeds us,
we come to you with our weariness from our daily tasks,
our hunger for your Word to strengthen us,
our pains and griefs that long for healing,
and our overwhelming sense of the world's need.
Meet us here this day.
Give us renewed strength for living
and the courage to share the gifts of your love.
Amen.





PRAYER OF CONFESSION

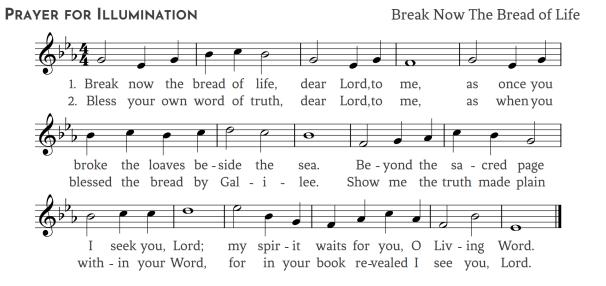
God of abundance,
you offer us so much,
and yet often we treat your gifts selfishly.
Forgive us when we send others away
to buy what we could give.
Forgive us when we are afraid to offer our resources
because they feel too meager.
Forgive us when we are worried
that there won't be enough left for us.
Bless us with the compassion and generosity
we see in Jesus Christ, the Living Bread.

Silence is kept for personal confession.

Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

WORD



HEBREW SCRIPTURE Isaiah 55:1-3

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM145

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, is Sure



GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Bread of Heaven" Rev. Paul Gilmore

SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Peace, Salaam, Shalom

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In your mercy, Lord... hear our prayer.

THE 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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

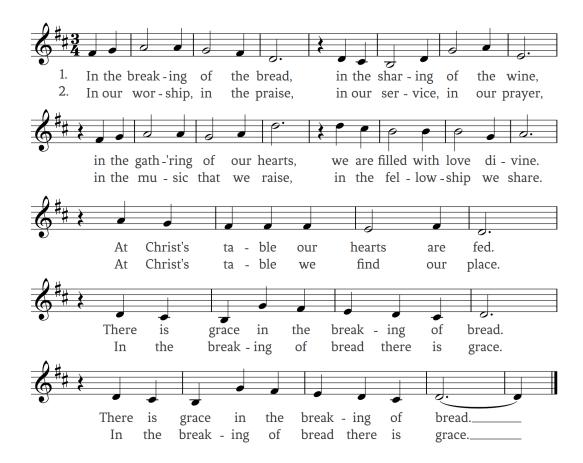
THANKSGIVING

OFFERING / CENTSABILITY COLLECTION

After the offering is collected, all stand and sing as the bread and juice are brought to the table.

OFFERTORY SONG | STANDING

In The Breaking of the Bread



INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE | STANDING

At this table we remember

that the feasting of God's people

is unbounded by time, space, or resources.

At this table there is always enough -

enough to nourish our spirits,

enough to feed our souls,

enough to keep us going even when it seems impossible.

At this table we remember

the story of God's abundance across the ages.

And so we gather with gratitude.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING | STANDING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We give thanks to you, Creating God,

breath of all being;

the earth is yours and all that is in it.

You formed us from the earth

and planted goodness in our souls,

that we might love like you.

You called us to live by your law

and to long for your commands.

Even when we turned to our own ways,

you did not leave us,

but bent down to meet us in Jesus Christ.

Therefore we lift our voices in thanksgiving,

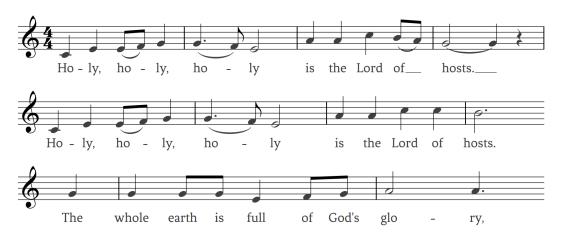
for you have wondrously made us.

By water and your life-giving Spirit,

you have more wondrously remade us

to join the song of all creation

and forever sing your praise...





We give you thanks, O God, that you sowed your Word in Jesus, to grow your kingdom here on earth and draw us ever near. Jesus planted mercy wherever he went, shared bread with outcasts and sinners, and healed the brokenhearted. Remembering his dying and rising, we offer you ourselves in grateful service. Pour out your Spirit upon this bread and wine and all your people here today. Breathe your Spirit over all creation that together we may cultivate peace in every corner of the world. Then bring us to that blessed mountain where with the meek and pure in heart we will live forever in blessedness. as we taste the fruits of our heavenly home. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, by the inspiration of your life-giving Spirit, we worship you, Creating God,

in songs of endless praise, forever and ever.



The congregation is seated.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please come forward by the center aisle to receive communion.

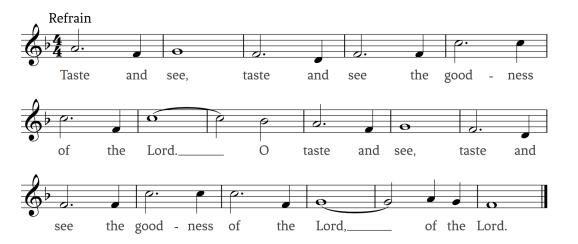
Once you have received, please return by the side aisles,

placing your cups in the baskets provided

The bread of life ... **Thanks be to God** *or* **Amen** The cup of salvation ... **Thanks be to God** *or* **Amen**

COMMUNION SONG

Taste and See



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God,

you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

May we rise from this table strengthened for service, and eager to share your love in our daily living.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

SENDING

CLOSING SONG | STANDING

I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table.

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Hallelujah!

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table.

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Hallelujah!

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers.

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Hallelujah!

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers.

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Hallelujah!

Here all the world will find a welcome.

Here all the world will find a welcome, Hallelujah!

Here all the world will find a welcome.

Here all the world will find a welcome, Hallelujah!

We're gonna feast on milk and honey.

We're gonna feast on milk and honey, Hallelujah!

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BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION | STANDING

POSTLUDE

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Information about weekly Bible studies and small groups can be found in your weekly email or at winnpres.org. Sign up at winnpres.org to receive our weekly email.

MEN'S SMALL GROUP (CONFERENCE B) Saturdays @ 8:30am

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (ON BREAK)

Saturdays @ 10am

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM)

Tuesdays @ 7am

BIBLE STUDY (ON BREAK)

Wednesdays @ 11am

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OFFERING

You can financially support the ministry of WPC in one of the following ways:

- Scan this QR code.
- Place your offering in the offering plate.
- Give online at winnpres.org/give-online.

SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

Greeters:

Lectors:

Prayer Leader:

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