



### WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a **"Pray Ground"** for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs "a break" or "louder play", there is an **"Active Worship"** room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

### GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

## WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

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*Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion*

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### Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning  
the way you feel comfortable.

**All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!**

**Everybody Is Somebody Here**

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### OPENING HYMN

**"Gather Us In"**

**ELW #532**

### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

P. Do you believe in God the Father?

**C. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P. Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C. 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**

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

### THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



**P** You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear his Word and share in his supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of our Lord Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

**C. I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

**"Shout to the Lord"**

**ELW #821**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Source of life and blessing, **of garden, orchard, field, root us in obedience to you and nourish us by your ever-flowing Spirit, that, perceiving only the good we might do, our lives may be fruitful, our labor productive, and our service useful, in communion with Jesus, our brother. Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

### FIRST READING:

**Psalm 1**

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers, but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous, for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

**L: The Word of our Lord    C: Thanks Be to God**

### GOSPEL READING

**Luke 14:25-33**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

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### THE MEAL

God feeds us with the  
forgiveness and presence  
of Christ.

All are invited to receive  
these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to  
come forward and receive  
communion or a blessing  
and Goldfish Crackers.



For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

L: The Good News of our Lord    **C: Thanks Be to God**

### MESSAGE

**Pastor Brent Erler**

### HYMN OF THE DAY

**"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"    ELW #815**

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NOISY OFFERING

**360 Communities**

### OFFERING

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord in Your Mercy

**C: Hear our prayer**

### HOLY COMMUNION

### 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 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.**

### THE SENDING

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



## BLESSING

### PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE

Lord God, you have called your servants  
to ventures of which we cannot see the ending,  
by paths as yet untrodden,  
through perils unknown.  
Give us faith to go out with good courage,  
not knowing where we go,  
but only that your hand is leading us  
and your love supporting us,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### SENDING HYMN

"We Are Called"

ELW #720

### SENDING

### POSTLUDE

## LIVING OUR BAPTISM ... *Five gifts of discipleship*

Gracious God,  
Send your Holy Spirit. Awaken in me the gifts of discipleship:

- + to live among God's faithful people;
- + to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper;
- + to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed;
- + to serve all people, following the example of Jesus;
- + to strive for justice and peace in all the earth. Amen.

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