



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

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
TANZANIA SUNDAY

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

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: From challah, pita, and tortilla, to brioche, cracker, and bagel,

All: The Body of Christ is broken for you.

L: From ornate chalices to simple cups,

All: The Cup of God’s love has been poured out for you.

L: Around the world, in many ways, in many places, in many languages,

All: We all feast at the Table of the Lord.

L: Let us worship with praise and thanksgiving!

GATHERING HYMN

“Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises”

ELW #535

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.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another....

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.**

SONG OF PRAISE

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

ELW #172

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, **with humility and love, we praise you and worship you. Who are we that you invite us to a sacred meal? Who are we that you would break your body and pour out your blood for us? As we partake of the one bread, make we, who are many, one body, forever united in your love. We pray this in the precious name of Jesus. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S TIME

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

FIRST READING

I Corinthians 10:16-17

¹⁶ The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

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

GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-21

Jesus taught ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

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

THE WORD

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



MESSAGE

Pastor Brent Erler

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Bind Us Together”

Chorus: *Bind us together, Lord. Bind us together
With cords that cannot be broken
Bind us together, Lord Bind us together
Bind us together in Love*

1. *There is only one God, There is only one King
There is only one Body, That is why we sing.*

2. *We are the family of God We are the promise divine
We are God's chosen desire We are the glorious new wine.*

MASAI CREED

We believe in the one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and everything good in it. He created Man and wanted Man to be happy in the world. God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the Earth. We have known this High God in darkness, and now we know Him in the light. God promised in the book of His word, the Bible, that He would save the world and all the nations and tribes.

We believe that God made good His promise by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, a man in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left His home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching about God and man, showing the meaning of religion is love. He was rejected by his people, tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died. He lay buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him, and on the third day, He rose from the grave. He ascended to the skies. He is the Lord.

We believe that all our sins are forgiven through Him. All who have faith in Him must be sorry for their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love and share the bread together in love, to announce the Good News to others until Jesus comes again. We are waiting for Him.

He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.

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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.



SHARING OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOISY OFFERING

Tanzania Ministries

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: Lord, in Your Mercy

C: Hear Our Prayer

HOLY COMMUNION

THE SENDING

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



Serving Today

Pastor
Brent Erler
Musician

Solveig Englund
Sound and Video
Donny Bergquist

*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

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.

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 Marching in the Light”

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POSTLUDE

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