



August 2, 2020

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

Gathering in God's Name

Gathering of the People - safely at home

Greeting/Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

"Lamb of God"
Emily Crisp, soloist

Twila Paris

Call to Worship

Leader: All who are thirsty, come!

People: God is the fountain of our lives.

Leader: All who are hungry, come!

People: Jesus feeds us with goodness and grace.

Leader: Rich and poor, young and old, neighbor and guest, come!

People: The Holy Spirit gathers everybody around the Table.

Opening Hymn

"Feed Us Lord"

GTG 501

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

Leader: God is gracious and merciful, always willing to listen,
and to hear the truth within our hearts. Please join me in the prayer of confession...

ALL: We are sure we do not have enough to end hunger in our communities.

**Forgive us, Generous God, when we forget that,
by your presence and power, very little can do so much.**

We believe we are the only ones who carry heartache around with us.

**Forgive us, Compassion's Heart, that we do not see,
or embrace the despair of those around us.**

We say we do not have the words to offer hope and healing to strangers.

**Forgive us, Welcoming God, for not having the courage to listen and see their
troubles and to know your grace does not exempt us from trouble but calls us to
care.**

**We convince ourselves that we need to devote all our time, our energy,
our resources, our lives to guarantee our security rather than build community.**

**Forgive us for not living that joyful, gracious life modeled for us
by our Jesus our Brother. (quiet time for personal confession).**

Words of Forgiveness

Leader: Listen! Come to the One who covers us with compassion,

People: who feeds us on grace and mercy.

Leader: What good news! Everyone who thirsts is given water;

People: everyone who hungers is fed;

Leader: everyone Who sins is forgive.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Word Proclaimed

Scripture Lesson - Matthew 14:9:12-21

Sermon "You Give them Something?"

Thanksgiving

Call for Offering

Let us reach deep into our hearts and lives to share what we received
so all may be fed body, mind and spirit.

Prayer of Dedication

**On my own what I have to give doesn't amount to much
in the light of all you have given to me and in the face of so much need.
Put together, what we offer you here in love becomes more,
not simply added together, but somehow multiplied in its usefulness.
We ask you to bless our gifts and with the addition of your blessing,
just as it was with the loaves and fishes, there is enough for all. Amen.**

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Offertory

"Panis Angelicus (Bread Of Angels)"
Anita Ilika, piano

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation & Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: When the hour was late, you spoke, Steadfast Love, ...
...we lift our songs of thanksgiving to you:

People: Holy, holy, holy are you, God of gracious love.

All creation rejoices in you. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One filled with great compassion. Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: You are gracious and merciful, Holy God, ...
... where we speak the truth in Christ:

**People: Christ died, witness to obedience; God raised Christ, the witness to
resurrection; Christ will come again, the witness to the promises to us.**

Leader: Here at this Table, God of abundance,...
...a community of wholeness.

{Prayers of the people}

Leader: And when the final hour comes, may we be gathered with our sisters and brothers of
every time and place, to eat and be filled at Christ table, and rejoice with one voice
as we praise you forever, God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

Sharing of Bread and Cup- Pastor Debbie
The Lord's Prayer

Sending

Closing Hymn

"Let us with Talents and Tongues Employ"

GTG 526

Charge and Benediction - Pastor Debbie

Postlude

"Thy Word"

Grant/Smith

Going Forth / Staying Home and Staying Safe

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