

Contemporary Worship

September 25, 2022
Time After Pentecost
Lectionary 26

GATHERING MUSIC

Joyful, Joyful – arr. Hall/Herms

*Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love.
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You, op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.*

*Joyful, joyful, we adore You!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You!
Joyful, joyful, we adore You, joyful, we adore You!*

*All Your works with joy surround You, earth and heav'n reflect Your ways.
Stars and angels sing around You, center of unbroken praise.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.*

*God our Father, Christ our Brother; all who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; lift us to the joy divine.*

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

SONG *

Table of Plenty

*A * in the order of service indicates that those who are able are invited to stand.*

Chorus: Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
Here at the table of plenty.

Verse 1: O come and sit at my table
Where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
to share the cup of my love...*chorus*

Verse 2: O come and eat without money;
Come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed your spirit
With faith and fullness of life...*chorus*

Verse 3: My bread will ever sustain you
Through days of sorrow and woe.
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness
To flood the depths of your soul...*chorus*

Verse 4: Your fields will flower in fullness;
Your homes will flourish in peace.
For I, the giver of home and harvest,
Will send my rain on the soil...*chorus*

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GOSPEL LESSON *

Luke 16:16:19-31

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

Assembly: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

SONG *

The Cry of the Poor

*The Praise Team will sing the chorus and then the assembly sings the chorus.
The Praise Team will sing the verses and then the assembly joins in each chorus.*

Chorus: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
Blessed be the Lord.

Verse 1: I will bless the Lord at all times,
with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
who will hear the cry of the poor...*Chorus*

Verse 2: Let the lowly hear and be glad:
the Lord listens to their pleas;
and to hearts broken, God is near,
who will hear the cry of the poor...*Chorus*

Verse 3: Ev'ry spirit crushed, God will save;
will be ransom for their lives;
will be safe shelter for their fears,
and will hear the cry of the poor...*Chorus*

Verse 4: We proclaim your greatness, O God,
your praise ever in our mouth;
ev'ry face brightened in your light,
for you hear the cry of the poor...*Chorus*

Words: Based on Psalm 34:2–3, 18–19a, 19b–20, 4.

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PRAYERS *

The assembly responds to each petition ending in "God of grace,"

Assembly: hear our prayer.

The assembly responds to the final petition ending with "through Jesus Christ, our Savior."

Assembly: Amen.

OFFERING

*For Everyone Born – Murray/Glaser/Bernard/Mann
Praise Team*

*For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,
and God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!*

*For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair...*

*For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong...*

*For just and unjust, a place at the table,
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
for just and unjust, a new way to live...*

*For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free...*

CONFESSION *

**Assembly: Compassionate God,
you open your heart to those in need,
and to your aching creation.**

**We confess we often turn away
so that we do not have to see pain, suffering or injustice,
right before our eyes.**

**We don't like to feel uncomfortable or pressed into service.
Forgive us, and give us courage to love others as you love us
and reach out with the care we have witnessed in Jesus.**

Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS *

WORDS OF INSTITUTION *

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

All those who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome to the table.

We invite you to come forward to receive the communion elements from the servers.

You will be handed a wafer from the server and are invited to select a cup of wine from the tray.

*Pre-packaged elements of grape juice and gluten free wafers are available
in the baskets at the communion rail and at each entrance to the sanctuary.*

*You may partake of the elements at the communion rail and dispose of the cups and packaging in the
receptacles at the end of each communion rail or take the elements back to your pew to partake of them and
dispose of the cups and packaging after the service.*

Paper bags for the disposal of cups and packaging are available on the communion rail.

"Bread from the Lord's Table" and/or a pastoral blessing are available for children who do not yet commune.

Communion Server: The body of Christ, given for you.
 The blood of Christ, shed for you

Communion Receiver: Amen.

Come to the Table of Grace

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.

Come to the table of grace.

Come to the table of peace...

Come to the table of love...

Come to the table of joy...

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *

Leader: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.

Assembly: Amen.

BLESSING *

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Assembly: Amen.

SONG *

All the People Said Amen

Verse 1: You are not alone, if you are lonely.
When you feel afraid, you're not the only.
We are all the same, in need of mercy, to be forgiven and be free.
It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need.

Chorus: And all the people said, "Amen."
And all the people said, "Amen."
Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.
And all the people said, "Amen."

Verse 2: If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter.
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.
We all are broken, but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and we fall,
And he so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all...*Chorus*

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DISMISSAL *

Leader: Go in peace.
Serve the Lord and all people with justice, love, and mercy.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

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