



THE HOLY EUCHARIST
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
October 1, 2023
10:00 AM

VISION STATEMENT

We seek to form Beloved Community, which is welcoming and diverse,
with Christian worship and service at the heart.

MISSION STATEMENT

We feed people in body, mind and spirit with the love of God, in the name of Jesus,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

CORE VALUES

Beloved Community + Loving Service + Sacred Space + Spirit Filled + Sustainability

THE GATHERING RITE

HYMN *standing*

Let All Things Now Living

ELW #881



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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THE ENTRANCE RITE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed by the One, Holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, you know our thoughts and our desires; there is nothing we can hide from you. Enter our hearts today and by your Holy Spirit help us to truly love you as we glorify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE All Creatures of our God and King (vv 1-2,7) Hymnal #400



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and



1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:

Refrain



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -
 ness, O — praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the
 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain

O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES *seated*

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?"

So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector
People

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 78:1-4, 12-16

Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; *

I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known,
and what our forebears have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.

**We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God, *
and the wonderful works you have done.**

You worked marvels in the sight of their forebears, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

**You split open the sea and let them pass through; *
you made the waters stand up like walls.**

You led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.

**You split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.**

You brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

THE EPISTLE *seated*

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *standing*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

Ryan Pemberton

THE NICENE CREED *said by all, standing*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The intercessor offers the petitions, all respond, **Hear our Prayer.***

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Silence may be kept.

All **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

THE PEACE *standing*

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people offer a greeting of peace to one another.

KIDS' WORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND SPECIAL PRAYERS

OFFERTORY HYMN

Morning has broken

ELW #556



1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en,
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
 born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
 Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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DOXOLOGY HYMN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below;
 praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

In the Holy Communion we experience the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All adults and children who desire to receive are encouraged to come forward to receive.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God of all of Creation.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth,
all things, came to be.

Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements,
and you brought forth life in forms innumerable,
including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its inhabitants.

The prayer continues until

Celebrant And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of
all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now
and for ever saying:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. * Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The prayer continues until

Celebrant So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

The prayer continues until

Celebrant By whom, and with whom and in whom, in the unity of your Creative Spirit, with all that has been, is, and will be in your universe, we stand before you and worship you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise,

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours
for ever and ever. AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As Christ teaches us we pray,

All

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence may be observed.

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ;

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one
bread.**

PRAYER FOR THOSE WORSHIPING AT HOME

O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

THE INVITATION AND COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Hold your hands out in front of you to receive the bread and help guide the cup to your lips. Gluten-free wafers are also available by request.

THE CONCLUDING RITE

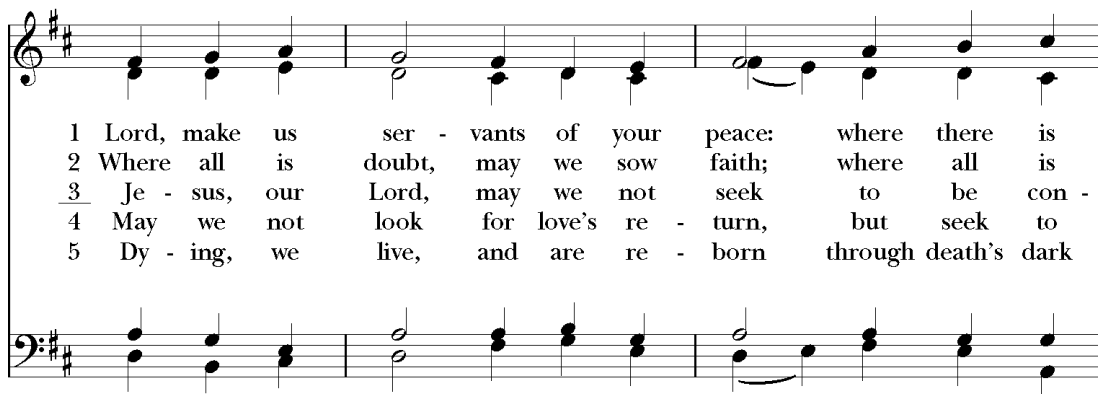
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *standing*

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior.
Amen.**

THE BLESSING *The Celebrant blesses the People.*

CLOSING HYMN *standing* Lord, Make us Servants of your Peace *Hymnal #593*



1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark



1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your



1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

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DISMISSAL

The Celebrant dismisses the People, who respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In love of all creation and our friends, the animals, St. Francis modelled the blessing of animals. We will join this annual tradition with a short service to both bless those animals in our care, to remember those animals we have lost and to pray for all animals who are at risk or suffering. Dogs, cats, birds, ferrets, pigs, or any other animal companions are invited with their humans for the blessing in our courtyard at 11:30. You may also bring a photo of an animal who cannot attend in person or one who has died. This is a good opportunity to invite friends or neighbors who would be blessed by this special service.

Liturgical Ministers

Presider	The Rev. Canon Britt Olson
Preacher	Ryan Pemberton
Worship Assistant	
Musician	Matt Quarterman
Tech and Prayers	Julia Hunter
Lector(s)	Bernadette Walcott
Greeter	Barbara Wilson
Altar guild	Bernadette Walcott, Jo Burkholder



Buy Your Ticket for the Edible Hope Annual Fundraiser!!

Get ready to raise a paddle and raise some funds to continue feeding folks a hot meal in 2024 and beyond! You are invited to join us for the annual fundraiser for Edible Hope Kitchen on **October 10** at 6pm at Bickersons Brewhouse in Ballard. Delicious food and desserts will be provided by local businesses. It will be a fun night for all! Purchase your ticket today: bit.ly/EHKAAnnualFundraiser.

Plant Salvage for the St. Luke's Property

As summer transitions to autumn and we near the time for the affordable housing site to break ground, we are offering plants on the St. Luke's property to new homes. Fall is a good time for transplanting, and if you would like to nurture a bit of St. Luke's heritage in your own garden (or large porch container), there is ribbon and a sign up sheet in the church office. Let us know the best way to get in touch and we'll reach out when it's time to take your new (old) plant to its new home.



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