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## GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome to Worship

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.  
**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*  
Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for**

**the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In † Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God. **Amen.**

### Gathering Song #531 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is  
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the  
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,  
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;  
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.  
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.  
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.

*Refrain*



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

Music: Graham Kendrick

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THE FEAST IS READY  
LM and refrain

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## Young People's Message (Sunday) | Pastor Glen Bickford

## WORD

### Lesson | 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation



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

## Gospel | John 2:1-11

The holy gospel according to John, the second chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon | Pastor Glen Bickford

Hymn of the Day #1042 May This Church Be Like a Tree



1 *Que-es-ta\_i - gle - sia se - a\_un ár - bol en el*  
1 May this church be like a tree, be - hind your  
2 May this church be like a tree there in the  
3 May this church be like a tree, O God, that



*fon - do de tu ca - sa, que ha - ya fies - ta, ya - le -*  
house, there in your gar - den, meet - ing - place for joy, and  
street or in the pla - za, for the birds a nest - ing -  
thrives where you have plant - ed; may it stand to show the



*grí - a yo - ra - ción ba - jo sus ra - mas.*  
feast, and sim - ple prayer be - neath its branch - es.  
branch, for pass - ers - by a wel - come shel - ter.  
way, your way of lov - ing and self - giv - ing,



*Con ra - í - ces bien pro - fun - das y sus bra - zos*  
With its roots in earth so fer - tile, and its arms raised  
May it stand as if it's watch - ing, near my house, just  
of - f'ring shade, and fruit for shar - ing, giv - ing up its



*ha - cia el cie - lo, que es - ta\_i - gle - sia sea fe -*  
high to heav - en, may this church bear fruits of  
round the cor - ner, wait - ing for this wea - ry  
wood for burn - ing. May this liv - ing church that



*cun - da dan - do fru - tos de con - sue - lo.*  
jus - tice, acts of lov - ing and com - pas - sion.  
pil - grim with its arms wide to em - brace me.  
names you be a tree of life e - ter - nal.

Refrain / Estribillo



*Ár - bol plan - ta - do jun - to a las a - guas*  
Tree ev - er grow - ing by liv - ing wa - ter,



*de vi - da\_e - ter - na de nues - tro Dios.*  
run - ning e - ter - nal, flow - ing from God.



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## Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

## MEAL

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## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise and glorify your holy name.

## Words of Institution

*During the Words of Institution, we invite your designated person at home to raise the bread and the cup respectively as the pastor does. In this way, we are church together.*

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

# Lord's Prayer

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Adagio

Our Fa - ther, who art - in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name, - Thy  
king - dom come, thy will - be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this  
day our daily\_ bread, and for give - all of our sins - As we for - give  
those, as Christ for - gave those who sin a - gainst us, - And lead us not  
in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil, for Thine is the  
king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry, for - e - ver, A - men.

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## Invitation & Distribution of Communion

Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

**The body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.**

## Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## Prayer After Communion

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

# SENDING

Announcements

Farewell & Godspeed for Pastor Glen Bickford

Benediction/Blessing

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ✠ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song #984 May the God of Hope Go with Us



*¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo - y paz!*  
May the God of hope go with us ev - 'ry day,



*Al mun - do en cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad.*  
to a world in need with news of joy and peace.



*Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da - nos tu luz,*  
May the God of jus - tice speed us on our way,



*luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.*  
bring - ing light and hope to ev - 'ry land and race.



*O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos*  
Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our



*de tu a - mor. Lu - che - mos por la paz,*  
joy with all; work - ing for a world that's new,



*fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.*  
faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.

Text: Alvin Schutmaat, 1921–1988, alt.  
Music: ARGENTINA, Argentine folk melody

Dismissal

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude