

August 9, 2026
11th Sunday after Pentecost



Leading Worship Today:

Preacher: Brian Entz

Lay Leader: Ashton Olsen

Accompanist: Ralph Johansen

*Please read along with all **Bold** text
All are invited to stand when there is an **

Larger Print: Please see an usher if you would like larger print hymns.

Prayground: We have a Kids Corner for young kids on the front left side (by the stained glass windows). Kids and their adults are more than welcome to sit in that area during the service where there are coloring pages and puzzle books to engage young minds and hands in worship.

PRELUDE

Adagio in A Minor

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Climb back inside

Your body

No more split

Selves

Minds without

Skulls

Thirst without

*Tongues- flail and
shake like a haunting*

You are alive

-resurrection, by Cole Arthur Riley

GATHERING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 36

Your love, O God, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep;

you save all your creatures, O God.

How priceless is your love, O God;

your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

***OPENING HYMN**

#509 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Trusting the abundant mercy of God, let us make our confession.

Embodied God, we confess that we have rent mind from matter, been deceived into viewing our bodies as tools for productivity as opposed to sacred beings worthy of love and honor. In our spiritualities, we have exalted the invisible over the physical. In our daily routines, we have not cared for our bodies well. And that neglect has rippled out toward the bodies of others in our midst. Forgive us, God, and restore in us a sacred attunement to our whole selves- minds, blood, breath, the hands that grip these pages. With divine help, may we never abandon ourselves or others again. Amen.

As water is poured into the font remember your baptism and that in these waters your sins are forgiven and you are named as one of God's beloved and joined to Christ forever.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Receive this forgiveness, the same God who brought Jesus, body and soul, back from the dead is renewing and restoring our lives through the power of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus Christ we have forgiveness and new life!

Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

***RESPONSE**

#581 The Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Therefore, since we have been made righteous through Christ's faithfulness, we have peace with God. Let us also share peace with one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

*The people may exchange with their neighbors, by words or gesture,
signs of peace and reconciliation.*

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy and Merciful One, as we open the scriptures remove from us all that is not from you so that in this moment we might receive your word for us today. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our rock and our strength. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:11-19

¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.' "

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴ When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵ When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. ¹⁶ This is what the LORD has commanded: Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer per person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents." ¹⁷ The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. ¹⁸ But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. ¹⁹ And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning."

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Cor. 11:23-26

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

#523 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

THIRD READING

John 6:47-58, 66-69

⁴⁷ Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day, ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which the ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

⁶⁶ Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

An Embodied Faith: The Body Given

Pastor Brian Entz

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY

Angels All Around

Burrows
Sorenson Sisters



*“Let us present ourselves to God
as those who have been delivered from death to life.”
To contribute to our mission and ministry online, please scan the QR code.*

*DOXOLOGY

#606 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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. Amen.

*OFFERING PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of 1967

The Lord's Supper is a celebration of the reconciliation of people with God and with one another, in which they joyfully eat and drink together at the table of their Savior. Jesus Christ gave his church this remembrance of his dying for sinners so that by participation in it they have communion with him and with all who shall be gathered to him. Partaking in him as they eat the bread and drink the wine in accordance with Christ's appointment, they receive from the risen and living Lord the benefits of his death and resurrection. They rejoice in the foretaste of the kingdom which he will bring to consummation at his promised coming, and go out from the Lord's Table with courage and hope for the service to which he has called them.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Holy God,
who, in Jesus, touched the earth,
admiring its beauty and blessing its people,
we honor you for the gift of life
and all the gifts that life brings us:
food, shelter, company,
the experiences that make us think,
the people that bring out the best in us.

Hear our prayers for the places in this world
where beauty has turned to ugliness,
food has been replaced by famine,
friendship has been forgotten
and fear, hostility and hopelessness

have the upper hand.

(pause)

God in your mercy,

bring healing, bring peace.

Hear our prayers for people who cannot pray

because of pain, loss or worry;

and for those who will not love themselves

and so cannot love their neighbor.

(pause)

God in your mercy,

bring healing, bring peace.

Hear our prayers for ourselves-

our private yearnings,

our secret hopes,

and any doubt, jealousy or anger

to which we hold too tightly.

God in your mercy,

bring healing, bring peace.

And hear us as we, in our mother tongue, say the words Jesus first prayed in his.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN

#526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BLESSING SONG

May a Rainbow Run Beside You

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POSTLUDE

Voluntary in D

William Boyce

Loving all People, Living our Faith, and Following Jesus

WORSHIP NOTES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women of Faith: We will be taking the month of August off and resuming in September.

Blood Drive: BPC is in need of 12 Blood Drive Volunteers for the canteen and registration areas. The following times are open if you wish to participate, a sign up sheet is available outside the BPC office. We will be clearing the Fellowship Hall after Worship & Fellowship on the 23rd.

Canteen (6 volunteers needed): Registration (6 volunteers needed) (12pm - 2pm | 2pm - 4pm | 4pm - 6pm)

Date: August 24th from 10:45am - 12:15pm

Meals on Wheels: BPC is in charge of providing volunteer drivers for delivering Meals on Wheels (MOW) for the month of September. MOW now has 4 routes in the Buffalo area every weekday and we need drivers to cover as many routes as we can during September. **The time is from 10:45 to about 12:15.** It is a very rewarding mission activity that is greatly appreciated by the people who depend on this service for one hot meal each day. Catholic Charities of St. Cloud is the sponsoring agency for Meals on Wheels in the Buffalo area. **You MUST register and sign up through the Catholic Charities Volunteer Website** at the following link: ***We will have people available to help with sign-ups after worship this Sunday. You can also visit with Ali during the week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday between 9am and 2pm for any assistance.***

<https://ccstcloud.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/SeniorDining>

Women's Retreat "Weekend with an Immersive God": Join the women of the church for a peaceful weekend of faith, fellowship, reflection, and beautiful outdoor surroundings. Come away for a refreshing time to reconnect, rest, and be immersed in God's presence.

Date: Sept. 25-27

Place: Clearwater Forest, Deerwood, MN

Cost: \$160.00 plus meals

September 1: Remainder of the cost

For information on scholarships contact Pastor Brian.

Immigration Aid Collection: Thank you for your on-going support for our immigrant neighbors. Now, we have an opportunity to support our neighbors who are able to return to work, but are in need of assistance with food. We are looking for donations of vegetable / cooking oil and Maseca corn flour, if you are able to donate. Donations can be dropped off in the bin outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you for being a blessing to so many in our community!

Today August 9	9:30am: Worship 11:00am: Worship and Music Committee
Monday August 10	5:00pm: Fellowship Committee
Tuesday August 11	9:00am: Crafty Ladies 9:00am: Guy's Breakfast 1:00pm: Finance Committee 5:00pm: Missions Committee
Thursday August 13	7:30am: People of Faith via Zoom 5:30pm: Racial Justice Reading Group
Sunday August 16	9:30am: Worship in the Park 11:00am: Faith Formation Meeting

How Can We Pray for You?

Scan the QR code to submit prayer requests:



Along with the blue prayer request cards found in the pews you can also submit prayer requests on the BPC website. Scan this QR Code with your smartphone to be taken directly to the prayer request form. All prayer requests go directly to Pastor Brian.

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BPC Prayer List:

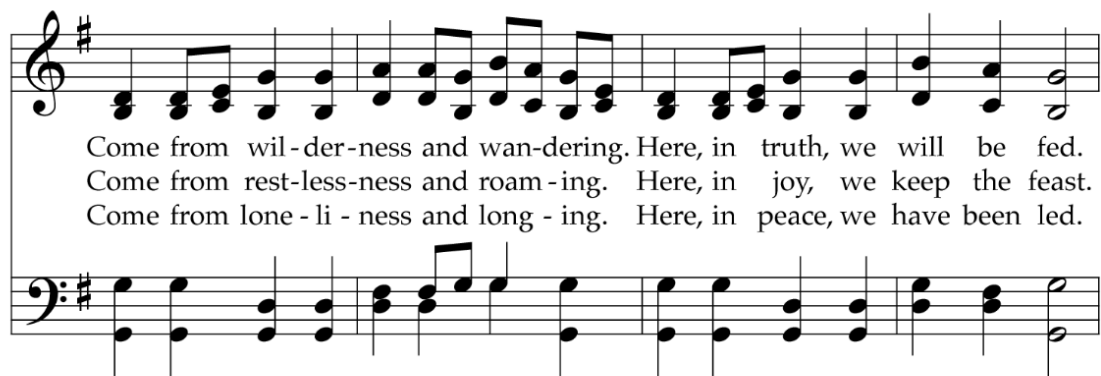
- Rich Dahl
- Christy Wood
- Dennis Stanley, fighting cancer
- Anne Marie Wille, Bonnie Morek's daughter
- Dennis Sletten, friend of Diane
- Sherry Sletten, friend of Diane
- Lois Lindstrom
- Madree
- Jim, Elaine Thole's brother, following a diagnosis
- Donna, a friend of Lana Kopplin, who has cancer
- Shannon, Virginia's former daughter-in-law
- Erva Hance
- Barb and Tom Stone
- Rochelle Tandrian, Angela's daughter

- Brittany Daniels
- John and Charlotte Collins
- Cassie & Bryce Taylor, grandson of Lanny and Shirley Taylor
- Louise Markve
- Don Eddy
- Joseph Wille, Bonnie Morek's grandson
- Windi Willette
- Tony
- Allen, father of Jennifer Glauvitz
- Fred, brother of Arnold Leas
- The Grady Family (friends of Theresa) upon the loss of their father
- Dennis, Kate, Alicia, & Dan Vanderheiden (Del's family)
- Gloria & Daniel Elliott (Bonnie Moreks brother's wife)
- Nancy Gritman

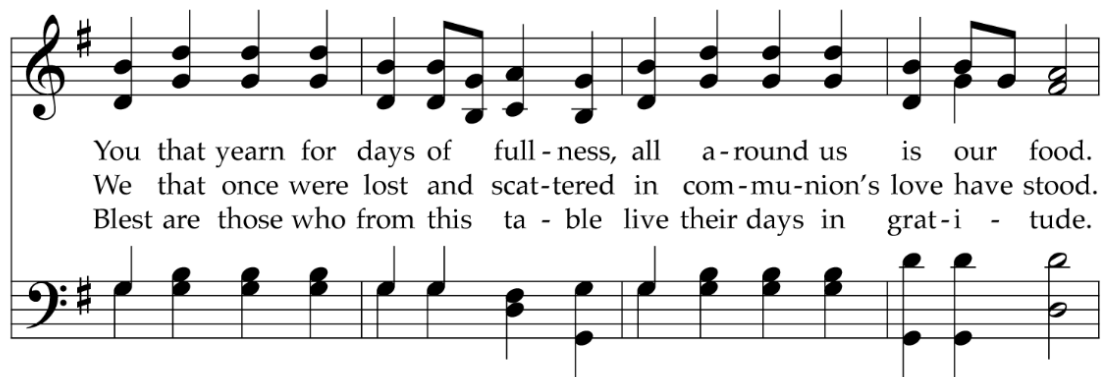
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart 523

Refrain

D Bm G F#m D/F# Em A D

You sat-is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat;

Bm F#m Em A D *Fine*

come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.

Bm G F#m G A7 Bm

1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice,
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
 4 The mys-tery of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

to Refrain

Em A Em Em7 A

so when you call your fam - ily, Lord, we fol - low and re-joice.
 that you should count us wor - thy, Lord, to share this heaven-ly food.
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de - clare our one - ness in the Lord?
 whom all the world can-not con - tain comes in our hearts to dwell.
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Submitted together, this text and tune were chosen from about two hundred entries to be the official hymn for the 41st International Eucharistic Congress held at Philadelphia in 1976. At the center of its many biblical images, the third stanza draws on 1 Corinthians 10:16–17.

TEXT: Omer Westendorf, 1976

MUSIC: Robert E. Kreutz, 1976

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BICENTENNIAL

CM with refrain

526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one; at the ta - ble he
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured;
 sets the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:



Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain;
 God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!



earth can breathe a - gain; pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Maracas and other rhythm instruments may be used. ||: ♩. ♩. ♩. :||

This "communion calypso" (as the author called it) affirms the continuing presence of Christ both in the sacramental meal and in the lives of Christians. Because this text was written to fit a pre-existing tune, it has a rather telegraphic style that encourages pondering.