



October 5, 2025
17th Sunday after Pentecost
w/Holy Communion

Worship Leaders:

Pastor Brian Entz & Steve Gritman

Music Leaders:

Ralph Johansen, Mike Agre, & BPC Choir

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

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PRELUDE

Horn Concerto no. 3, 1st Movement
Sebastian Vanderheiden, Horn

W. A. Mozart

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Q. 96. What is the Lord's Supper?

A. The Lord's Supper is a sacrament, wherein by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

-The Westminster Shorter Catechism

GATHERING

CHORAL INTROIT

Christians, We Have Come to Worship

Wagner

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Isaiah 55

All of you who are thirsty, come to the water!

Whoever has no money, come, buy food and eat!

Without money, at no cost, buy wine and milk!

Why spend money for what isn't food,

and your earnings for what doesn't satisfy?

Listen carefully to me and eat what is good;

enjoy the richest of feasts.

***OPENING HYMN**

#697 Take My Life

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We have all sinned and not one of us is blameless; but there is abundant mercy for those who call on the name of the Lord. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

God of grace, through prophets and apostles you have called us to share, yet so often we hoard what you have given us. You have provided for so many of us above and beyond what we need for food, water, and shelter, and we keep it for ourselves while others go hungry, thirsty, and cold. You have poured out grace, mercy, and love upon us, and too often we extend fear, envy, and scorn towards those around us. Most importantly you gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, that we might have life with you, and frequently we hold back at his name instead of sharing him with all the world. Forgive us, O God, and give us a spirit of repentance, that we might share generously out of the abundance we have from you. Amen.

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

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. Behold, out of God's abundant mercy we have been made heirs with Christ. And it is by this grace of Jesus Christ that we are forgiven!

Alleluia, Amen!

***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.**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

As we open the scriptures, O God, we pray that you would open our minds and hearts to receive your Word today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 24:1-6 (NRSV)

1The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it;
2for he has founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.
3Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?

4Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.

5They will receive blessing from the LORD,
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

6Such is the company of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 4:1-9 (NRSV)

1Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

2I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. 3Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

4Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

#312 Take Us As We Are, O God

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5: 13-16 (NRSV)

13“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Rev. Brian Entz

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY

All Are Welcome at God's Table
Sebastian Vanderheiden, French horn; Ralph Johansen, piano

Agre

*“Let us present ourselves to God as those who have been delivered from death to life.”
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***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**

The Nicene Creed

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 INTERCESSION

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: Holy God, creator of the universe... Therefore we join our voices with all those who sing your praise:

SANCTUS

#596 You Are Holy

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: And now as Christ our Savior taught we are bold to pray,

People: 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is for the hungry and thirsty. It's a feast for those seeking God, in Christ, to be nourished for the life of love to which God calls us all. So come, eat, drink, and meet our Lord Jesus.

*Holy Communion will be served by passing trays through the pews. The servers will serve the bread first and once everyone has been served we will eat together at the invitation of the pastor. Then the servers will pass out the cups containing grape juice, after all have been served we will drink together at the invitation of the pastor. **All bread is gluten/peanut/tree-nut/dairy/egg free.** We trust that as we are gathered at Christ's table we are also gathered in the Spirit with Christ and surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.*

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN**

#536 Rise, O Church

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

Psalm Prelude, Set 1, no. 2

Herbert Howells

***Our Mission is:
Loving all People, Living our Faith, and Following Jesus***

WORSHIP NOTES

The Prayer of Confession comes from A New Zealand Prayer Book.

All other liturgy comes/is adapted from the Book of Common Worship (2018) or is written in house.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

On the 1st Sunday of each month the money collected in the basket during coffee time is designated for the Deacon's Good Neighbor Fund. This is a discretionary fund that provides Congregational Care throughout the year. This care includes, but is not limited to, care packages for first year college students and gas/food cards for those connected to BPC in need. Your generous donations allow the Deacons to continue this important mission.

Movie Night: Join us for a fun evening of fellowship, popcorn, and a great family-friendly film! On **Saturday, October 25th at 6:00pm**, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for Movie Night. Snacks and drinks will be provided. This is a wonderful opportunity to relax, enjoy a good film together, and connect with our church family. All ages are welcome!

UPCOMING THIS WEEK

Today October 5th	9:30am: Worship with Communion 10:30am: CCC~Church Budget Discussion
Monday October 6th	6:30pm: Prayer Shawl Group
Tuesday October 7th	9:00am: Crafty Ladies 9:00am: Men's Breakfast at Forget Me Not Cafe 6:30pm: Faith Formation Committee Meeting
Wednesday October 8th	7:00pm: Adult Choir
Thursday October 9th	7:30am: People of Faith via Zoom 10:00am: Women of Faith 5:30pm: Racial Justice Reading Group via Zoom
Sunday October 12th	9:30am: Worship 10:30am: CCC~

How can we pray for you?



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.

BPC Prayer List:

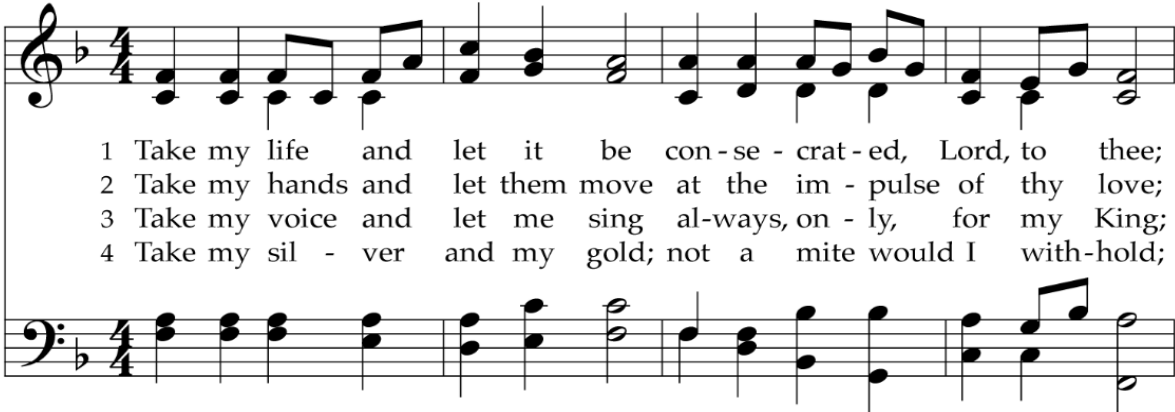
- Dennis, Kate, Daniel, Alicia, and Delbert, Del Vanderheiden's family
- Arthur James, Tanya's niece's baby
- Jason Christian, Marlene's nephew
- The students, staff, and families of Annunciation Catholic School and Parish
- Diane Ellis
- Family of Don Olsen
- Anne Marie Wille, Bonnie Morek's daughter
- Daniel & Gloria Elliot, Bonnie Morek's brother & sister-in-law
- Family of Lisa Johnson
- Larry Pattee
- Dennis Sletten, friend of Diane
- Sherry Sletten, friend of Diane
- Milla Spike, Kevin's granddaughter
- Lois Lindstrom
- Theresa
- Madree
- Jim, Elaine Thole's brother, following a diagnosis
- Donna, a friend of Lana Kopplin, who has cancer
- Jill, the niece of Al DeBellis, who has a terminal illness
- Jonathon, a friend of Barb & Larry Janski
- Shannon, Virginia's former daughter-in-law
- Daniel Elliot
- Erva Hance
- Barb and Tom Stone
- Jan Brown, early morning Women of Faith
- Dennis Dietz, Virginia's friend
- Rochelle Tandrian, Angela's daughter
- Jim and Jodi Underwood, Lanny & Shirley's son-in-law and daughter
- Brittany Daniels
- John and Charlotte Collins

For peace in Ukraine and Russia, Israel/Palestine, Congo, and around the world.

For our neighbor congregations in Buffalo and for the congregations of our presbytery.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

Take Us As We Are, O God 312



1 Take us as we are, O God, and claim us as your own. As
 2 Bless us for your ser - vice, Lord; no pow - er we de - vise will
 3 Break us o - pen to dis - close how bro - ken - ness can heal, wher -
 4 Give us to the world you love as light and salt and yeast, that



once you chose to tell your love in hu - man flesh and bone, so
 ev - er give us strength e - nough or make us tru - ly wise, yet
 ev - er bro - ken loaves suf - fice to give a crowd a meal and
 we may nour - ish in your name the last, the lost, the least, un -



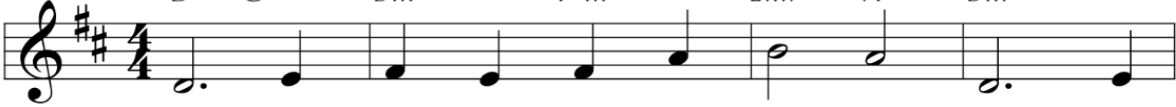
let our lives be used to make your sav - ing pur - pose known.
 by your prom - ise we can know the peace your grace sup - plies.
 graves break o - pen to re - lease new life from death's dread seal.
 til at length you call us all to your un - end - ing feast.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This Lord's Supper text is organized around the fourfold liturgical shape traced by Dom Gregory Dix in *The Shape of the Liturgy*: take, bless, break, give. It considers how the phrase "Body of Christ," used for sacramental bread, can also be applied to the baptized people of God.

536 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen

D G Bm F#m Em7 A Bm



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age

A D Em A Bm Gmaj7



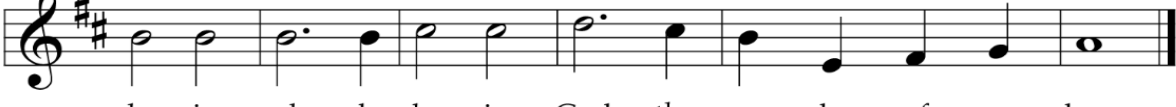
meal of love and grace; may we through such love en -
 Christ, though wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are
 called us to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing
 be our dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti -

Em7 A D Bm7 E Asus A D



vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le -
 hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le -
 nur - ture, Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le -
 na - tion from this day and un - to death. Al - le -

G Em A A7 Bm Em A7 D



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The second line of the first stanza shows that this hymn is meant for use in the context of the Lord's Supper, but the last stanza further clarifies its special purpose as a sending hymn celebrating the values guiding the work of the church in the world: service, courage, mercy.