

Some people are so poor  
all they have is  
money



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*8th Sunday after Pentacost*



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Welcome to all God's guests, especially those who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

**Children are always welcome in worship services;  
however please know the cry room at the back of the  
sanctuary is available for parents who need to tend to their  
little ones.**

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*Please silence your cellphone at this time*

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MORNING CHANT:

**ELOHAI N'SHAMAH**

אלהי נשמה  
שנתת בי  
טהורה היא

Elohai  
n' shamah,  
Shehatata bi  
t'torah he.

My God,  
The soul you have  
given me,  
She is pure.

## *Confession and Forgiveness*

Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,

***All* you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.  
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.  
Amen.**

*P* You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of ✝ Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

***All* Amen.**

## Opening Song

### As We Gather

Words and Music by  
Tom Coomes and Mike Fay



As we gath - er, may\_\_\_ Your Spir - it work with - in us.

As we gath - er, may\_\_\_ we glo - ri - fy Your name. Know - ing well that as\_\_\_ our

hearts be - gin to wor - ship, we'll be blessed be - cause\_\_\_ we

came,\_\_\_\_\_ we'll be blessed be - cause\_\_\_ we came.

## Greeting

**P** The Lord be with you

**All** And also with you.

## Prayer for This Day

**P** Let us pray,

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives.

**All** Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

You may be Seated

## *A Reading from Ecclesiastes 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> chapters*

*The teacher of wisdom who wrote Ecclesiastes sees that working for mere accumulation of wealth turns life into an empty game, a “vanity of vanities.” Nevertheless, he asserts in the next verse, it is good to find enjoyment in one’s work because such enjoyment is a gift from God.*

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher,  
vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

*Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23*

WA The word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God!**

## *A Reading from Colossians, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter*

*Life in Christ includes a radical reorientation of our values. Just as the newly baptized shed their old clothes and put on new garments, so Christians are called to let go of greed and take hold of a life shaped by God's love in Christ.*

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

*Colossians 3:1-11*

WA The word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God!**

## *Gospel Acclamation*

Please stand in body or spirit.



Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## *Gospel Reading*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**All** Glory to you, O Lord.

*In God's reign, the "rich will be sent away empty." Jesus uses a parable to warn against identifying the worth of one's life with the value of one's possessions rather than one's relationship with God.*

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' <sup>18</sup> Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, 'You fool! This



very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

*Luke 12:13-21*

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

**All** Praise to you, O Christ.

*You may be Seated*

## Children's Sermon & Noisy Offering

*Sermon*

**Pr. Debra Jimenez**

*Hymn of the Day*

**Freely Freely**

Words and Music by  
Carol Owens

1 God for - gave my sin in Je - sus'  
2 All - pow'r is giv'n in Je - sus'

name, I've been born a - gain in  
name, In earth and heav'n in

Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus' name |  
Je - sus' name; And in Je - sus' name |

come to you To share His  
 come to you to share His  
 love as He told me to: He said,  
 pow'r as He told me to: He said,  
 "Free - ly free - ly, you have re -  
 ceived. Free - ly, free - ly give;  
 Go in My name and, be - cause you be -  
 lieve, Oth - ers will know that I live."

### *Apostles' Creed*

**P** Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the 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 the People*

You may be Seated

WA In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:



peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.



God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

(each prayer petition ends with)

*L:* God of grace,

**All:** You hear our prayer.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ*

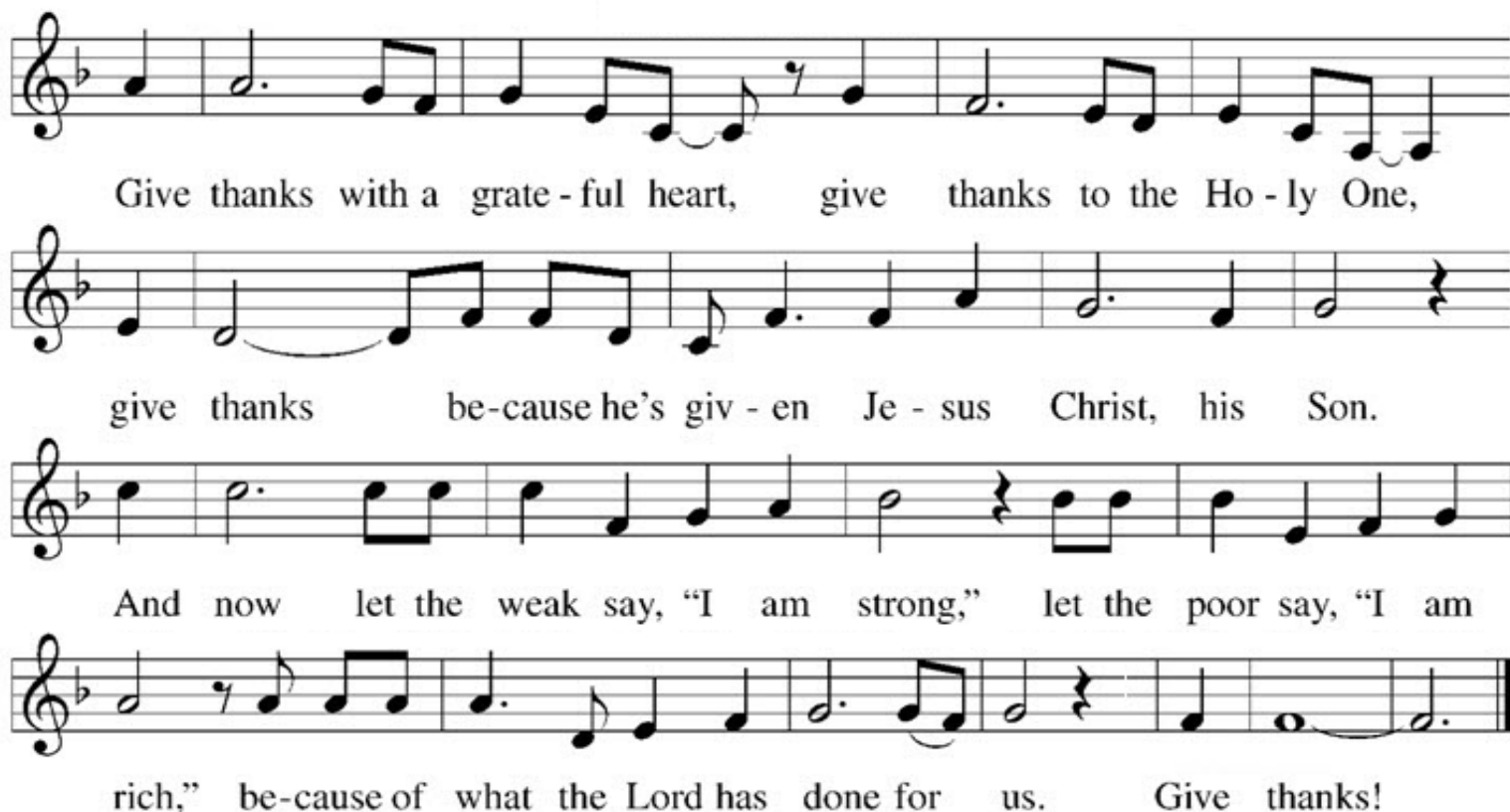
Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* Jesus Christ become peace with you.

**All** And also with you.

*Offertory*

You may be Seated



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be-cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

*Offertory Prayer*

*P* Let us pray:

Creator God,  
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.

**All** Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor,  
that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*Holy Communion*

Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* The Lord be with you

***All* And also with you.**

*P* Lift up your hearts.

***All* We lift them to the Lord.**

*P* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*P* 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.

*The Lord's Prayer*

*P* Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as 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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## *The Invitation*

P The kingdom of God is set before you.  
Eat and rejoice.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

*Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant*

## *Communion Songs*

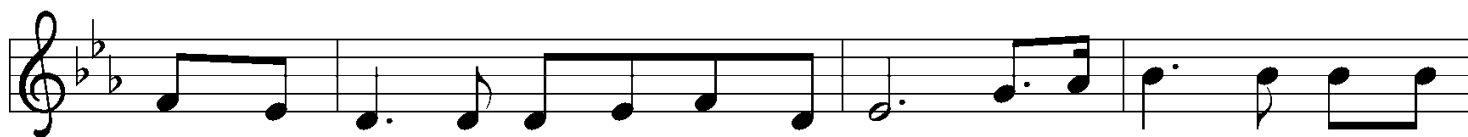
### Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort  
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and  
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me  
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me  
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be-yond all  
o'er the paths I strug-gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil  
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur-dens of my quest; Sav-ior,  
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav-ior,  
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav-ior,



lead me to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.  
 help me bear life's pain and sor-row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.  
 with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

## This Is The Gift Of God

Words and Music by  
 Jon Abel and Carl Cartee

1 Be - cause of His love,\_\_\_\_ rich in mer - cy, He  
 made us a - live\_\_\_\_ in Him.\_\_\_\_ Saved us from death,\_\_\_\_  
 res - cued the sin - ners, this is the gift\_\_\_\_ of God.\_\_\_\_

*refrain* Ho - ly is the Lamb of God. Ho - ly is the One who loved.  
 Not by works, but by His blood. This is the gift\_\_\_\_ of God.\_\_\_\_ *Fine* 2 Be -  
 fore the cre - a - tion we were cho - sen, a -  
 dopt - ed in - to\_\_\_\_ His love.\_\_\_\_ Glo - ri - ous grace\_\_\_\_  
 lav - ished up - on\_\_\_\_ us, this is the gift\_\_\_\_ of God.\_\_\_\_ *to refrain*

*Post Communion Blessing and Prayer*

Please stand in body or spirit.

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

**All Amen**

*P* Mothering God,  
you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.

**All Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements*

*Benediction*

Please stand in body or spirit.

*P* The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit  
✝ bless you and give you peace.

**All Amen.**



*Sending*

# Lord Reign In Me

Words and Music by  
Brenton Brown



1. O - ver all the \_ earth,      You \_ reign on \_ high,      ev - 'ry moun - tain \_ stream,  
2. O - ver ev - 'ry \_ thought,      o - ver ev - 'ry \_ word,      may my life re - flect



ev - 'ry sun - set \_ sky.      But my one re - quest,      Lord, my on - ly \_ aim \_  
the beau - ty of my \_ Lord;      'Cause You mean more to \_ me      than an - y earth - ly \_ thing.



— is that You'd reign in me a - gain.      Lord, reign in — me,  
— So won't You reign in me a - gain.



reign in Your \_ pow'r;      O - ver all my \_ dreams,      in my dark - est hour.



You are the Lord of all I am, —      so won't You reign in me a - gain.



reign in me a - gain.

*Dismissal*

**WA** Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**All** Thanks be to God.



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Readings for next Sunday,  
August 10<sup>th</sup>

<b>First Reading:</b>	Genesis 15:1-6
<b>Psalm:</b>	Psalms 33:12-22
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
<b>Gospel:</b>	Luke 12:32-40

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