

26 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." 28 Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" 29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30 So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " 32 Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34 They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." 35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. 36 But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. 37 Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; 38 for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day." 41 Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." 42 They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" 43 Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. 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 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 sends 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 your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." 59 He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. 60 When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult, who can accept it?" 61 But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? 62 Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? 63 It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. 64 But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. 65 And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

Eleventh Sunday  
after Pentecost  
8-8-2021

John 6:47, NRSV

# PRELUDE

Vernon Hoyle

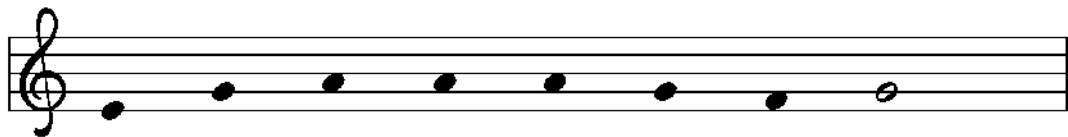
## RÈJOUISSANCE A Tuba Tune

Please stand.

### THE OPENING



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



and my mouth shall pro - claim your praise.



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

# ***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM***

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

**C: By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.**

P: We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

**C: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

P: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## ***THE PSALMODY***



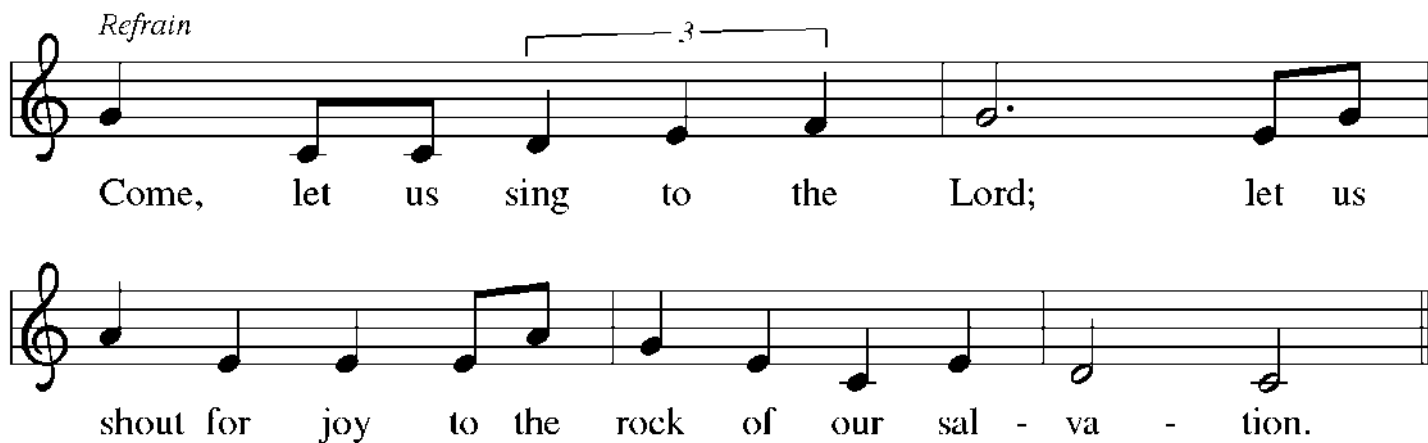
Give glory to God, our light and our life.



**Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.**

*Verses will be sung by our Cantor.*

*Refrain*



Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us  
shout for joy to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

*Final response:*



Give glory to God, our light and our life.



Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.

*Please be seated.*

## ***A READING FROM I KINGS 19:4-8***

R: A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Kings the 19<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>4</sup>[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."<sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."<sup>6</sup> He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.<sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much

for you.”<sup>8</sup> He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

R: Word of God, Word of Life!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***A READING FROM EPHESIANS 4:25—5:2***

R: A reading from Ephesians the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>25</sup>So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. <sup>5:1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

R: Word of God, Word of Life!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## ***BELLS OF PRAISE***

*Bill Ingram, arranger*

**CORONATION**


*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

*Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.*

## ***THE GOSPEL***

## ***JOHN 6:35,41-51***

P: This is the Holy Gospel according to St. John the sixth chapter.

C:   
**Glo - ry to you, O Lord**

P: <sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” <sup>42</sup>They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, ‘And they shall all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>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.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C:   
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## ***WHAT FEAST OF LOVE***

***ELW 487***



- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last-ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
What hope of ev - er - last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv - en?  
What stream of ev - er - last-ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

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Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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*THE GOSPEL CANTICLE*

*Refrain*

In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God the  
dawn from on high shall break up - on us.

*The verses will be sung by our Cantor.*

*NICENE CREED*

**P:** Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith as expressed in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**C:** **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.**

# ***MEDITATION & OFFERING***

Mark Sedio

*HALELUYA! PELO TSO RONA*  
*Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

*Please stand.*

## ***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE***

### ***LORD'S PRAYER***

**P:** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C:** **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.**



Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

### ***THE BLESSING***

**P:** You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, free to serve your neighbor. May God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you, that you may be a blessing to others.



A - men

# HALLELUJAH! WE SING YOUR PRAISES

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*Refrain— sung twice each time*



Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -  
Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our



hi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa  
hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your



ro - na, di tha - hi - le ka - o - fe - la. *End*  
prais - es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.



1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,  
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

*Repeat stanza, then sing refrain*



I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.  
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos - pel.

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Music: HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA, South African  
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# ***DISMISSAL***

**P:** Go in peace. For You are the Body of Christ!

**C:** Thanks be to God!

# ***POSTLUDE***

*Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

*Choral Improvisation on NOW THANK WE ALL, OPUS 65, No. 59*

*[March triomphale]*

*Today's Flowers* are given by John and Andrew Bailey  
in honor of their parents' Wedding Anniversary.

Happy Anniversary to Pastor and Wendy Bailey!

## *Today's Worship Leaders*

*Cantor:* Victor Welsch      *Facebook Camera:* Wendy & Andrew Bailey

*Host:* Janet Zirger      *SlideShow Creator:* Pastor Bailey

*Lector:* Beth Margraf      *SlideShow Operator:* John Bailey  
Haley Welter

*Director of Music:* Curtis L. King      *Today's Officiant:* Pastor Bailey

We could not offer multiple platforms for sharing worship  
"Apart...yet Together"  
without an entire crew of people working to make the magic happen.  
THANK YOU!

# Weekly Announcements

*Piece Corp* will meet Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome to join them.

*Sharing Kitchen* volunteers are needed **NEXT** week on Monday and Thursday.

Contact Deb Nominee if you can help.

**\*\*Boxes are available in the main foyer area for the collection \*\***  
of school supplies. We are in need of the following items:

**NOTEBOOKS  
RULERS W/ INCHES & CM  
PENCIL SHARPENERS  
BLUNT TIP SCISSORS  
BLACK OR BLUE INK PENS  
CRAYONS (16 OR 24 COUNT)  
2.5 INCH ERASERS**

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"God is among us!"  
"We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel, forgive,  
reconcile and trust God for all that we need."