



Forward together in Faith, Hope, and Love

Sunday, October 6, 2024
World Communion Sunday
Breads of the World Service
We Prepare for Worship

Praise Band

Preparing our Hearts

"And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them..." Luke 22:19

Prelude: *Meditation on "Let us break bread together"* arr. John. S. Dixon

*Processional Hymn: *In Christ there is no east or west* #480
(tune #517)

Welcome and Community Life News

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Maya Moradieslami

L: The banqueting table is prepared, and God calls us to the feast.

**P: We have come from east and west, from north and south,
to sit at Christ's table.**

L: Here compassion, love, and grace pour out like fine wine.

P: Here we taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.

L: There are gifts of God for all the people of God.

P: Let us taste and see that the Lord is good!

L: Let us Worship God!

Introit: *I come with joy*

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*Praise Time: **Nothing but the blood**

Your blood speaks a better word, than all the empty claims
I've heard upon this earth, speaks righteousness for me
And stand in my defense, Jesus it's Your blood

What can wash away our sins? What can make us whole again?

Nothing but the blood, nothing but the blood of Jesus

What can wash us pure as snow? Welcomed as the friends of God?

Nothing but Your blood, nothing but Your blood, King Jesus

Your cross testifies in grace, tells of the Father's heart
To make a way for us, now boldly we approach
Not earthly confidence, it's only in Your blood

*What can wash away our sins? What can make us whole again?
Nothing but the blood, nothing but the blood of Jesus*

*What can wash us pure as snow? Welcomed as the friends of God?
Nothing but Your blood, nothing but Your blood, King Jesus*

REPEAT LAST TWO CHORUSES

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We Listen for God's Word

Children's Time – Presentation of the Breads

Prayer for Illumination

Garth Low

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Reading: Psalm 25:1-10

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² **O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

³ Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ **Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.**

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

⁶ **Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast
love, for they have been from of old.**

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

⁸ **Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right
and teaches the humble his way.

¹⁰ **All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and
faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his
decrees.**

New Testament: Matthew 22:1-10

NT p. 24

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Gladness, Grace, and Gratitude

Rev. Dr. H. Vais

Anthem: *Bread of the world*

arr. Richard Shephard

We Respond to God's Word

*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 again 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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

*Doxology

#830

*Dedication of the Offering and Elements

*Invitation to the Table

*Communion Hymn: *One bread, one body*

#540

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The prayer opens with thanksgiving for creation and for God's mighty acts throughout salvation history.

The people join in the ancient song after these or similar words:

... we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Prayers of thanksgiving continue for the work of Jesus Christ, his life, death, and resurrection and for the institution of the Lord's Supper. The people are invited to "proclaim the mystery of faith:"

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Thanksgiving continues for the gift of the Holy Spirit. The presence of the Holy Spirit is invoked followed by a doxology and the people say:
Amen.

As our Lord taught us, we now pray:

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.

Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory

Forever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

Distribution of the Elements

(please come forward as able)

Prayer after Communion

*Recessional Hymn: *Now let us from this table rise*

#556

We are Sent out as God's People

*Charge and Benediction

*Musical Benediction

Go now in peace, never be afraid,

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe,

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen

Postlude: *Finale in D*

C.L. Koch

** if you are able, please stand*

Welcome

We welcome everyone who is worshipping here with us today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life. You are invited to fill out a pew card.

**** **We welcome all children in worship. If you need to take a child out during the worship service, the service can still be heard in the lobby. Alternatively for children 5 years old and under, we have a nursery in the Christian Education wing where the service can still be heard. Our ushers are available to assist you. Children must be accompanied by an adult relative.**

*Please feel free to appreciate the postlude at the end of the service.
If you do leave the sanctuary during the postlude,
please do so quietly. Thank you.*

Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.

There is no Sunday School today.

Children will remain in church
and receive Communion with their families.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion

We invite all who profess Jesus as Lord
to come forward to receive the Sacrament.

If you have mobility challenges, please advise
an elder and we will bring communion to you.

Breads of the World

Today is World Communion Sunday

Together we celebrate the Lord's Supper
with Christians all around the world.

Thank you to all who provided breads from around the world.

These breads are symbols of the many different peoples
within the family of God.

We will be sharing these breads at the coffee hour today!

The Open Door

The Autumn issue of the "The Open Door" is available today.

Please pick your copy up in the foyer.

Thank you to all who contributed to the newsletter.

TPC's 175TH Anniversary Cookbook

As part of our ongoing 175th Anniversary Celebrations we're cooking up something special and we need YOUR recipe contributions. Whether it's a cherished family recipe, a unique fusion dish or a local delicacy, we want it all! From appetizers to desserts, traditional to unique, your submissions will showcase the beautiful diversity of our church community. We will be working with an online cookbook service for collecting and compiling our book.

Recipes will be collected until Oct. 21st. Our goal is to have the books ready to distribute in time for Christmas.

Connect with Jessica Chapman (at chapman.jessica@yahoo.ca) or Julie Meek (juliemeek@hotmail.com) for more information including how to contribute a recipe, online or in person.

We will also set up a table in the lobby after worship on Oct. 6, 13 & 20 with more information.

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UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Sunday October 6, 2024

9:40 am – 10:15 am

9:45 am – 10:30 am

11:00 am

Children's Choir – Chapel

Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

Worship Service – World Communion Sunday

Breads of the World Service

Tuesday October 8, 2024

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

7:30 pm

ESL Class – Chapel

Session Meeting - Zoom

Thursday October 10, 2024

7:30 pm

Chancel Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Sunday October 13, 2024

9:40 am – 10:15 am

9:45 am – 10:30 am

11:00 am

Children's Choir – Chapel

Sunday Morning Discovery – Conference Room

Worship Service

Hymn

In Christ there is no east or west

In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

Join hands, companions in the faith,
whate'er your race may be!
Who loves and serves the living God,
is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet south and north,
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

Hymn

One bread, one body

Refrain:

***One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
One cup of blessing which we bless,
And we, though many throughout the earth,
We are one body in this one Lord.***

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.

(Refrain)

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

(Refrain)

Grain for the field, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

(Refrain)

Fruit of the vine, gathered and crushed,
poured out and blest for all.

(Refrain)

Hymn

Now let us from this table rise

Now let us from this table rise
renewed in body, mind and soul;
with Christ we die and live again,
whose selfless love has made us whole.

With minds alert, upheld by grace,
to spread the Word in speech and deed,
we follow in the steps of Christ,
at one with all in hope and need.

To fill each human house with love,
it is the sacrament of care;
the work that Christ began to do
we humbly pledge ourselves to share.

Then give us grace, companion-God,
to choose again the pilgrim way,
and help us to accept with joy
the challenge of tomorrow's day.