



June 6, 2021 - 9:30 am

## What Are We Here For?



### GATHERING: The Spirit Calls Us Together

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,"

**Sometimes we forget that the Holy Spirit shows up in unexpected ways.**

The Spirit "has anointed me to bring good news to the poor."

**Sometimes we think it's the rich who have been blessed by God.**

The Spirit "has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

**Sometimes we forget how fervently God desires wholeness, justice and peace for all people.**

"Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

**Sometimes we forget Christianity isn't just about getting to heaven. We fail to see God working in our lives and in our world right now.**

#### Opening Hymn

*"The Canticle of the Turning"*

ELW 723

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,  
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,  
so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

*(Refrain) My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.*

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,  
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *(Refrain)*

From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;  
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. *(Refrain)*

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,  
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around. *(Refrain)*

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise

*"Tell the Story"*

(Sung to "Thine the Amen" ELW 826)

Tell the story, share the word, let them know what you have heard  
Help them understand the way, God is working every day.  
Help us share your great, great story so that all the world may see  
by your love we're all set fr-ee, by your love we're set free.  
  
Tell the story, share the word, let them know what you have heard  
God is making all things new, God is calling me and you.  
Let us tell God's great, great story, so that all the world will hear  
God's not distant, God is with us, God is near, God is near

## Prayer

## Special Music

*"Dietro Casa"*

Elizabeth Yearwood

## WORD: We Hear God in Scripture & Preaching

**Deuteronomy 30:15-16...**See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess.

Word of God. Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Luke 4:16-21...**When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: <sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, <sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." <sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Dialogue

Message Pastor Heather Grell

## Questions/Responses

## Hymn of the Day

### *"The Perfect Wisdom of Our God"*

The perfect wisdom of our God, revealed in all the universe;  
All things created by His hand, and held together at his command.  
He knows the myst'ries of the seas, the secrets of the stars are His;  
He guides the planets on their way, and turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways that mark the path of righteousness;  
His word a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.  
And O, the myst'ry of the cross, that God should suffer for the lost,  
So that the fool might shame the wise and all the glory might to go Christ.

O grant me wisdom from above, to pray for peace and cling to love,  
And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your sov'reignty.  
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace;  
So through the trails I choose to say: "Your perfect will in Your perfect way."  
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## Prayers

As each petition concludes: "Hear us gracious God." Please respond: **We lift our prayers to you.**

## Sharing God's Peace

### **MEAL: God Feeds us with the Presence of Jesus**

#### *Feed Us Now*

**Feed us now, Bread of life, in this holy meal;  
Let us know Your love anew; we hunger for You.  
Feed us now, Bread of life, come and live within;  
Let Your peace be ours today, Lord Jesus we pray .**

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.

**Piece of bread, glass of wine; Lord this food is good  
Love and mercy come to us; Your promise we trust.  
Piece of bread, glass of wine; who can understand  
How His mercy works in these? Yet, Lord, we believe.**

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.

**God is here, O so near; Nearer than our thoughts.  
Stay with us where're we go; Lord, help us to grow.  
God is here, O so near; In this heaven's meal.  
May we always feed on You, on the Bread that is true.**

## Lord's Prayer

**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**

## Communion

## Communion Hymn

### *"Behold the Lamb"*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us– and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ, torn for you– eat and remember;  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So we share in this  
bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you– drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond– and to remember  
our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come a gain!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

## Communion Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

### SENDING: Being Loved, God Sends Us to Love

#### Blessing

#### Sending Hymn

### *"Holy Spirit, Rain Down"*

*(Refrain) Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down;  
O Comforter and Friend, how we need your touch again;  
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down;  
Let your power fall, let your voice be heard,  
come and change our hearts as we stand on your word;  
Holy Spirit, rain down.*

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind can know what God has in store.  
So open up heaven, open it wide, over your church and over our lives. *(Refrain)*

Rain Down, rain down. *(Repeat 3x's)*

#### Dismissal

Go in peace. Live and share the story.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### Postlude

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## Announcements

### ⇒ In-Person Worship Guidelines

- People who are feeling ill, have been exposed to COVID-19, or are at high risk of exposing others are asked not to attend worship.
- Fully vaccinated people are not required to wear masks, social distance, and are allowed to sing.
- People not fully vaccinated are expected to wear masks, refrain from singing, and social distance. This includes people who have had COVID-19 but are not yet fully vaccinated.
- Bulletins will continue to be emailed. Projection will resume when streaming system is installed.
- Communion will be served up front. However, people are welcome to bring their own communion elements and commune in their seats.
- Passing of the Peace is optional on an individual basis.
- We will continue Facebook Live Worship each Sunday.

We must be highly mindful of those around us who are still at risk including:

- those who are not yet fully vaccinated
- those who are vaccinated but have underlying health issues
- children, age 11 and under, and individuals who are not yet able to receive a vaccination

Those who are not fully vaccinated are expected to continue wearing a mask, refrain from singing, and social distance. We must make it a priority to care for those still at risk, especially our children. The most important thing we can all do to help get things as close to back to normal as possible is get vaccinated. If you need any assistance getting vaccinated, please ask for help.

⇒ Food Pantry Our third Thursday of the month Pantry is June 17. If you would like to assist with pantry prep on Wednesday, June 16 or the day of the pantry, Thursday, June 17, please [CLICK HERE](#).

⇒ Prayer Requests If you have prayer requests for Sunday worship, email [PASTOR JIM](#).

## Calendar for Upcoming Week

### **Sunday, June 6**

9:30 am Worship In-Person & Facebook Live

### **Monday, June 7**

6:30 pm Boy Scouts

9:00 pm CMA Meeting

### **Tuesday, June 8**

10:00 am Staff Meeting (Zoom)

7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

### **Thursday, June 10**

1:30 pm Centering Prayer Group (Zoom)

6:30 pm Finance Committee (Zoom)

7:00 pm Alanon

### **Sunday, June 13**

9:30 am Worship In-Person & Facebook Live

## Prayer Requests from our Church Community

### Member Concerns

**Marie Pitner** as she recovers from broken wrists. **Kelley Kennedy** as she recovers from shoulder surgery. **Phyllis Beam** as she recovers from surgery. **Irene Schnack** as she recovers from knee replacement.

### On-Going Member Concerns

Eddie Nabity at Hillcrest Papillion

### Friends and Relatives

**Amy Churchill**, friend of Barb Kay; **Ronald Gulbranson & Sharon Kelley**, Julie Noteman's brother & sister; **Aaron McDonald**, McDonald's grandson; **Larry Rolles**, Linda Kohrs' daughter-in-law's father; **Diane Aden**, friend of Linda Kohrs.

### Grieving:

**Wendy Erickson** and her family as they mourn the death of her father.