



THE  
DWELLING  
where God and God's people meet

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for  
theirs is the kingdom  
of heaven."*

*Matthew 5:3*



*Fifth Sunday After Pentecost*

**June 28, 2026**

**10:15 am Family Contemporary Worship**

# WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

## Prelude

## Worship Song

### O Praise the Name (Anástasis)

Sampson, Hastings, Ussher

#### Verse 1

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see His wounds His hands His feet  
My Saviour on that cursed tree

#### Verse 2

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

#### Chorus

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise His Name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing Your praise  
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

## Confession

P: Compassionate God,

**C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

**C: Amen.**

## Prayers of the Church

### *Refrain*

*We sing God is so good*

*God is so good*

*God is so good*

*He's so good to me*

Trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit to unite this broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation, kneeling, sitting, or standing as you are able.

God of mercy, you call your church to a life filled with acts of grace and mercy. Nourish us so we can proclaim your hope to the world, offer welcome and proclaim your peace. Give us courage to love our neighbors as you have loved us, especially those who are hurting, forgotten, or in need. Through our words and actions, make us instruments of your healing and reconciliation.

God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction, and sustain those who advocate for peace. You call us to act justly and love mercy. Give us strength to be your voice in a broken world.

And we sing...

*Refrain*

God of healing, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disabilities. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering especially those on our congregational prayer list and those we name aloud at this time...

*(We now invite you to speak aloud the names of those for whom you are praying.)*

God of us All, you call the poor in spirit blessed and promise your kingdom to all who trust in your mercy; we thank you for The Dwelling in Winston-Salem, where your grace welcomes people from every walk of life. Comfort those who mourn, strengthen those who struggle, and surround all who gather there with the hope and healing found in your presence. Make this community a place of mercy, peace, and belonging, where neighbors are welcomed as beloved children of God and where your love is shared generously. Bless the ministry of The Dwelling, that all who hunger and thirst for belonging may be nourished by your Word, transformed by your Spirit, and sent forth to serve in your name.

We lift these prayers to you trusting you hear our hearts and walk with us on this journey through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. We sing our Amen.

*(Children may head out for C&C Kids)*

### Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**



This Week's Story: The Angel Frees Peter  
Icebreaker Question: What is your favorite  
dessert?

**Welcome Home and Announcements** *(See back page for additional announcements.)*

## THE WORD

### Matthew 5:1-12

- 1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.
- 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
- 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

- 5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
 6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.  
 7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
 8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
 9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.  
 10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
 11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please be seated)*

**Sermon**

**Pastor Emily Harkins**

## THANKSGIVING

**Anthem**

For Everyone Born

Trenney

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead.

Refrain: And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace; yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, a system that's fair. Refrain

For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong. Refrain

For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free. Refrain

**Offertory Hymn**

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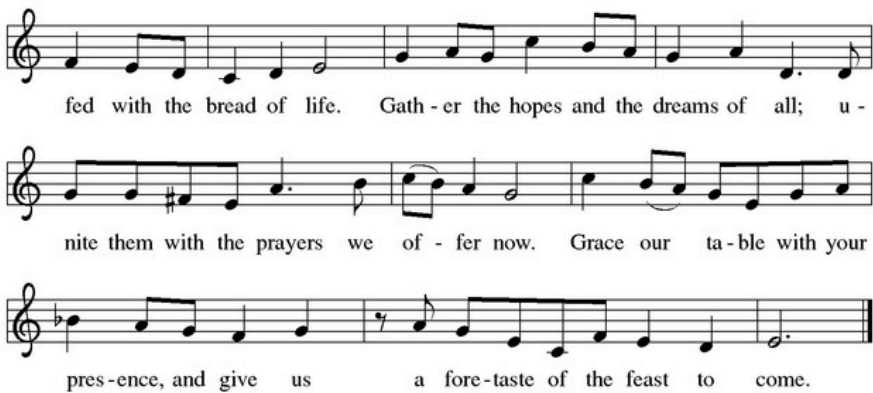
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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

### Statement of Belief

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.

## COMMUNION

### Come to the Table-- Everyone's Invited!

*Holy Communion is a celebration of Christ's love, shared through His body and blood. If you're hungry for His presence, this meal is for you! We commune by taking a piece of bread and dipping it into wine or grape juice. Need grape juice or gluten-free options? No problem—the assistant will gladly help you out. Kids are welcome, too! Just let the assistant know if your child will be receiving Communion or would prefer a special blessing. We're so glad you're here—let's share this joyful moment together!*

### Words of Institution

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

### The 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.

OR

Our Father, who is of heaven,  
 Holy is your name  
 Your kingdom come  
 Your will be done  
 On earth as it is in heaven  
 Give us today our daily bread  
 And forgive us our trespasses  
 As we forgive those who trespass against us  
 And lead us not into temptation  
 and deliver us from evil  
 For yours is the kingdom  
 And the power, and the glory  
 now and forever, Amen.

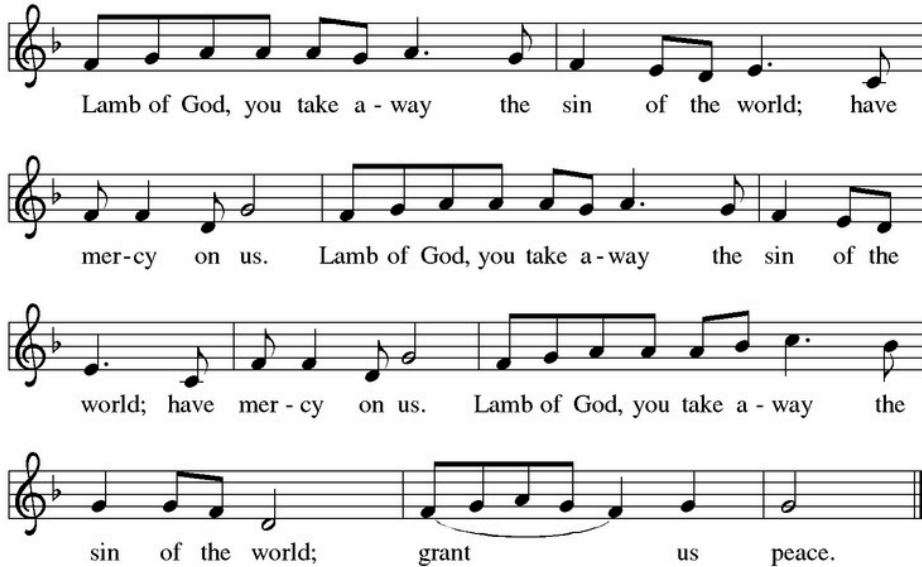
## Welcome to the Table

P: Come now and feast on the gifts of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

*(Please be seated)*

## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution of Holy Communion

### Communion Song

#### Heart Won't Stop

McMillan

#### Verse 1

There is not a man or a beast  
Nothing on the land or underneath  
Oh nothing that could ever come between  
The love You have for me

#### Pre-Chorus

I could lay my head in sheol  
I could make my bed  
At the bottom of the darkness deep  
Oh but there is not a place I could escape You

#### Chorus

Your heart won't stop coming after me  
Your heart won't stop coming after me  
Your heart won't stop coming after coming after  
me

#### Verse 2

There is not an angel of the stars  
There is not a devil in the dark  
Oh nothing that could change the way You are  
The love You have for me

## The Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

C: Amen.

## **Benediction Song**

Lord bless you and keep you.

May God's face shine's upon you and be gracious to you.

Lord turn our face toward you and give you peace.

Amen.

## **Sending Song**

### **River of Mercy**

**Simpkins**

#### **Verse 1**

You are the one who was and is to come,  
The Alpha and Omega, Kingdom One,

In my joy and in my loss you carry me,  
you take my cross, You shower me  
with grace at every turn.

#### **Pre-Chorus**

I'll give my all to you,  
You beckon me, you beckon me,  
You come and set your people free,  
You shed all my sin upon the shore.

#### **Chorus**

Oh sons and daughters, come to the Father,  
Breathe in forgiveness, jump in the water,  
Oh, let's go,  
Come to the River, the River of mercy.

#### **Verse 2**

I once was who I thought I'd always be,  
Until you came and found and rescued me,  
I lost my life into your hands and you raised me up,  
a second chance,  
And now I get to go and tell the world.

## **The Doxology** (sung a capella)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

## **Sending**

**L:** Together we say our mission statement:

**C:** **Following Jesus, loving and serving all!**

**L:** Now, go and live it out!

**C:** **Thanks be to God!**

#### **Pre-Chorus**

I'll give my all to you,  
You beckon me, you beckon me,  
You come and set your people free,  
You shed all my sin upon the shore.

#### **Chorus**

Oh sons and daughters, come to the Father,  
Breathe in forgiveness,  
Jump in the water,  
Oh, let's go,  
Come to the River, the River of Mercy.

#### **Bridge**

(let it ring)  
COME, COME, COME TO THE WATER  
OH, OH  
(let it ring)  
COME, COME, COME TO THE WATER  
OH, OH

#### **Chorus**