
Sermon Title: Bread for the Hungry

Welcome to Hope Presbyterian Church. We are glad you have joined us for worship. Jim Anderson and Mark Zollinhofer are co-leading worship and Tom Breeden is preaching.

We welcome children of all ages in our worship service!

GATHERING SONG | Come , Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God
Here to rescue me from danger interposed His precious blood.

O to grace, how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
Prone to wander – Lord I feel it – prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP | from Psalm 105:1-4

Leader: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works!

All: **Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice! Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually!**

SONG OF ADORATION | In the Beauty of Holiness

In the beauty of holiness, we see you Son of Righteousness,
So we bring all that we possess to lay at Your feet.
In the place where Your glory shines, Jesus, lover of all mankind,
You have drawn us with love divine to make us complete.

*So I pause at Your gates once more,
As my heart and my spirit soar,
And I wish I could love You more,
My God and my King.*

Is there tribute that I could bring, was there ever a song to sing
That could ever express, my King, the work that You've done?
Could I ever conceive of this, all the depths and the heights and breath
Of the riches I now possess because of Your love? (Chorus)

PRAYER OF ADORATION

ADORATION SONG | How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you, who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not I am with you, oh, be not dismayed;
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous omnipotent hand.

Even down to old age all my people shall prove,
My sovereign eternal unchangeable love.
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn
Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to His foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, NO NEVER forsake.

NEW TESTAMENT READING | Matthew 12:1-9

¹ At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the Sabbath. His disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. ² But when the Pharisees saw it, they said to Him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath." ³ He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, and those who were with him: ⁴ how he entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him to eat nor for those who were with him, but only for the priests? ⁵ Or have you not read in the Law how on the Sabbath the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath and are guiltless? ⁶ I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. ⁷ And if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. ⁸ For the Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath." ⁹ He went on from there and entered their synagogue.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Almighty and merciful God, hear us:

All: We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for His sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of Your holy name. (*Silent Confession...*)

COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF THE GOSPEL | from Acts 10:43

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what can wash away our sins?

All: Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Leader: We are brothers and sisters through His blood.

All: We have died together, we will rise together, we will live together.
(the people rise in body or in spirit)

Leader: All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.

All: Glory be to God the Father, and to Jesus, our Christ, and to our comforter, the Holy Spirit.

GREETING OF PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING | How Great is Our God

The splendor of the King, robed in majesty:

Let all the earth rejoice! Let all the earth rejoice!

He wraps Himself with light, darkness tries to hide,

And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God! How great is our God!

How great, how great, is our God!

From age to age He stands. Time is in His hands:

Beginning and the end! Beginning and the end!

The Godhead, three in one: Father, Spirit, Son.

The lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb. (*Chorus x2*)

TITHES & OFFERINGS | from Acts 20:35

Leader: Jesus, who said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

All: Shape me to be a more giving person as I offer you all that I am and all that I have. Amen.

FAMILY TIME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION | We Long to See You

*Almighty God we long to see You.
Open our hearts and make them pure.
Spirit we wash our hands in mercy;
Come teach our souls to love Your truth.*

OLD TESTAMENT READING | 1 Samuel 21:1-9

¹ Then David came to Nob to Ahimelech the priest. And Ahimelech came to meet David trembling and said to him, "Why are you alone, and no one with you?" ² And David said to Ahimelech the priest, "The king has charged me with a matter and said to me, 'Let no one know anything of the matter about which I send you, and with which I have charged you.' I have made an appointment with the young men for such and such a place." ³ Now then, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever is here." ⁴ And the priest answered David, "I have no common bread on hand, but there is holy bread—if the young men have kept themselves from women." ⁵ And David answered the priest, "Truly women have been kept from us as always when I go on an expedition. The vessels of the young men are holy even when it is an ordinary journey. How much more today will their vessels be holy?" ⁶ So the priest gave him the holy bread, for there was no bread there but the bread of the Presence, which is removed from before the Lord, to be replaced by hot bread on the day it is taken away.

⁷ Now a certain man of the servants of Saul was there that day, detained before the Lord. His name was Doeg the Edomite, the chief of Saul's herdsmen.

⁸ Then David said to Ahimelech, "Then have you not here a spear or a sword at hand? For I have brought neither my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste." ⁹ And the priest said, "The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom you struck down in the Valley of Elah, behold, it is here wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod. If you will take that, take it, for there is none but that here." And David said, "There is none like that; give it to me."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON | Bread for the Hungry

AMEN

A-A- A men! A- A- A men! A- A men! A-men. Amen!

SONG OF RESPONSE | How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing Your redeeming grace.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Communion is the family meal of Christians. The Lord Jesus invites all those who are His committed followers to commune with Him at His table: those who trust in Him, who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, who are willing to forsake their sin, being at peace with God and their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a follower of Jesus, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, please spend this time in silent prayer. Children who have been examined by the elders and admitted to the Lord's Table are able to partake of Communion. We will be passing the elements, first the bread, followed by the wine. We will take each element together as a group.

COMMUNION RESPONSE | from the Kenyan Liturgy

Leader: Is the Father with us?
All: **He is.**
Leader: Is the Son among us?
All: **He is.**
Leader: Is the Spirit here?
All: **He is.**
Leader: He is our God:
All: **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**
Leader: We are His people:
All: **We are redeemed by His grace.**
Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of Faith:
All: **Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**
Leader: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!
All: **Hallelujah!**

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

SENDING SONG | We Will Feast in the House of Zion

*We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together,
We will feast and weep no more.*

We will not be burned by the fire,
He is the Lord our God!
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up. (*Chorus*)

In the dark of night before the dawn,
My soul be not afraid!
For the promised morning, o how long,
O God of Jacob be my strength. (*Chorus*)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
Bind us together bring shalom (*Chorus*)

COMMISSIONING

Leader: All our problems
All: We send to the cross of Christ!
Leader: All our difficulties
All: We send to the cross of Christ!
Leader: All the devil's works
All: We send to the cross of Christ!
Leader: All our hopes
All: We set on the risen Christ!

BENEDICTION

SENDING

Reader: Let us be the church in the world – loving and serving God and our neighbor.
All: Alive to God. Dead to Sin. We go out glorifying Him!

