

**Parish Hall Worship Service**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Sunday August 3, 2025 9:30 AM**

**GATHERING SONG**

**They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love**

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord  
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand  
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
We will work with each other, we will work side by side  
And we'll guard each man's dignity and save each man's pride  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father from whom all things come  
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only Son  
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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**WELCOME**

**PASTOR**

**TEMPLE TALK**

**Kenneth Adix – A Message from Church Council**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**PASTOR**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**  
Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.  
Merciful God,  
you free us to love others,  
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.

You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,  
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.  
You surround us with patience, kindness,  
and generosity,  
but we grow weary in doing what is right.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Do not give up on us.  
Heal us, break our bonds,  
and show us the path of life.

**Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus  
and you are God's children through faith.  
In the cross of † Christ,  
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
your sins are forgiven.  
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.  
**Amen.**

## **OPENING SONG**

### **Build Your Kingdom Here**

Come set Your rule and reign  
In our hearts again  
Increase in us we pray  
Unveil why we're made  
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope  
Like wildfire in our very souls  
Holy Spirit come invade us now  
We are Your church  
We need Your pow'r in us

We seek Your kingdom first  
We hunger and we thirst  
Refuse to waste our lives  
For You're our joy and prize  
To see the captives' hearts released  
The hurt the sick the poor at peace  
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause  
We are Your church  
We pray revive this earth

Build Your kingdom here  
Let the darkness fear  
Show Your mighty hand  
Heal our streets and land

Set Your church on fire  
Win this nation back  
Change the atmosphere  
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r  
Reaching the near and far  
No force of hell can stop  
Your beauty changing hearts  
You made us for much more than this  
Awake the kingdom seed in us  
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ  
We are Your church  
We are the hope on earth

Build Your kingdom here  
Let the darkness fear  
Show Your mighty hand  
Heal our streets and land  
Set Your church on fire  
Win this nation back  
Change the atmosphere  
Build Your kingdom here we pray

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## **PASTOR**

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

## **ASSISTING MINISTER**

### **First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

<sup>2</sup> Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup> I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. <sup>13</sup> I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. <sup>14</sup> I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup> I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, <sup>19</sup> and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup> So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup> because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must

leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup> What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup> For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSIVE READING

## ASSISTING MINISTER

### Psalm 49:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

<sup>2</sup> **you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**

<sup>3</sup> My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

<sup>4</sup> **I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

<sup>6</sup> **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?**

<sup>7</sup> One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

<sup>8</sup> **for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,**

<sup>9</sup> in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

<sup>10</sup> **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

<sup>11</sup> Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation,

though they had named lands after themselves.

<sup>12</sup> **Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.**

## SECOND READING

## ASSISTING MINISTER

### Colossians 3:1-11

<sup>1</sup> So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup> for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup> Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup> These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup> But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **GOSPEL**

**PASTOR**

#### **Luke 12:13-21**

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup> But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup> Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup> So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **SERMON**

#### **SONG OF THE DAY**

##### **I Will Follow**

Where You go I'll go  
Where You stay I'll stay  
When You move I'll move  
I will follow  
Oh oh oh

All Your ways are good  
All Your ways are sure  
I will trust in You alone  
Higher than my sight  
High above my life  
I will trust in You alone  
Where You go I'll go  
Where You stay I'll stay

When You move I'll move  
I will follow You  
Whom You love I'll love  
How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose  
I will follow You  
Yeah, I will follow You, yeah

Light into the world  
Light into my life  
I will live for You alone  
You're the One I seek  
Knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone  
In You alone

Where You go I'll go  
Where You stay I'll stay  
When You move I'll move  
I will follow You  
Whom You love I'll love  
How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose  
I will follow You  
Yeah, I will follow You, yeah

In You there's life everlasting  
In You there's freedom for my soul  
In You there's joy unending joy  
And I will follow

Where You go I'll go  
Where You stay I'll stay  
When You move I'll move  
I will follow  
Whom You love I'll love  
How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose  
I will follow

Where You go I'll go  
Where You stay I'll stay  
When You move I'll move  
I will follow You

Whom You love I'll love  
How You serve I'll serve  
If this life I lose  
I will follow You

Yeah, I will follow You, yeah  
I will follow You yeah  
I will follow You yeah

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## **APOSTLES' CREED**

## **PASTOR**

**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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## **ASSISTING MINISTER**

God of grace,  
hear our prayer.

## **OFFERING**

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## **SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

### **One Bread, One Body**

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.

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.

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

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.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one for all.

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.

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

**PASTOR**

Creator God,  
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good  
and the harvest is plentiful.  
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth  
and our labor, that we may work for the good of all;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**  
Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**PASTOR**

## **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.**

## **COMMUNION**

**PASTOR**

## **COMMUNION SONGS**

### **Seek Ye First**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
And His righteousness  
And all these things  
Shall be added unto you  
Allelu alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you  
Seek and you shall find  
Knock and the door  
Shall be opened unto you  
Allelu alleluia

We do not live by bread alone  
But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds  
From the mouth of God  
Allelu alleluia

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### **It's About Love**

It's about love, pure sweet love  
Sent from heaven above,  
It's all about love, it's about love

First Corinthians 13, tells us all what love means  
Love is kind and patient too, it does not envy it is not rude  
Love protects and always trusts, it does not care for things not just  
It does not anger easily or keep track of the wrongs we see

And though we have faith hope and love  
the greatest of these is what life's about

It's about love, pure sweet love  
Sent from heaven above, it's all about love  
It's about love, pure sweet love  
Sent from heaven above, it's all about love, it's about love

For God so loved the world he gave His only Son to die for us  
On that lonely wooden cross, so now our souls will not be lost  
Love your neighbor as yourself and love the Lord above all Gods  
Nothing will control a life like the love between a man and wife

And though we have faith hope and love  
the greatest of these is what life's about

It's about love, pure sweet love  
Sent from heaven above, it's all about love  
It's about love, pure sweet love  
Sent from heaven above, it's all about love, it's about love  
It's all about love, it's about love

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## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**PASTOR**

Mothering God,  
you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace.  
Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves  
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.  
**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

**PASTOR**

The love of God abound in you;  
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;  
and the life of the Spirit ☩ bless you and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## **CLOSING SONG**

### **Where Justice Rolls Down**

Where justice rolls down like a mighty water  
And righteousness grows like an ever-flowing stream  
And mercy resounds like the waves on the ocean  
Let praises rise high on the songs of the redeemed

There is a river that streams from the temple  
Begins as a trickle but ends in the sea  
As it grows healing it will give.  
Where it flows ev'rything will live

Where justice rolls down like a mighty water  
And righteousness grows like an ever-flowing stream  
And mercy resounds like the waves on the ocean  
Let praises rise high on the songs of the redeemed

Wade in the water and feel the strong current  
Remember the stagnance of stale life before  
God is here leave the past behind  
In these clear waters you will find

Where justice rolls down like a mighty water  
And righteousness grows like an ever-flowing stream  
And mercy resounds like the waves on the ocean  
Let praises rise high on the songs of the redeemed

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Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**