

Worship Leader Edition
Summer of Mission
Loaves and Fishes

August 15, 2021

8:30 AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Rob*)

+LITANY – YOU CALL US TO SERVICE (*Rob*)

L: You call us to service; to be your eyes and ears, hands and voice in this, your world.

To open our eyes not only to the beauty and love which you create,

C: but the injustice, hate and suffering that humankind generates.

L: To open our ears not only to the chattering of this coming week,

C: but the searching, fears and questioning of all whom we shall meet.

L: To open our hands not only to those we choose our lives to share,

C: but in welcome, love and fellowship to all who you draw near.

L: To open our mouths not only to speak platitudes and simple words,

C: but the truths you lay upon our hearts. Your Word for this, your world. You call us to service, to be your eyes and ears, hands and voice in this, your world. Amen.

~ By John Birch and posted on his *Faith and Worship*

website. http://www.faithandworship.com/liturgy/Lent_3.htm#ixzz1lkU9wBx2

+GATHERING HYMN

“Break Now the Bread of Life”

ELW #515

Verse 1

Break now the bread of life,

Dear Lord, to me,

As once you broke the loaves

Beside the sea.

Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord;

My spirit waits for you, O living Word.

Verse 2

Bless your own word of truth,

Dear Lord, to me,

As when you blessed the bread

By Galilee.

Then shall bondage cease, all fetters fall;

And I shall find my peace, my All in All!

Verse 3

You are the bread of life,

Dear Lord, to me,

Your holy word the truth

That rescues me.

Give me to eat and live with you above;

Teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY (*Mark Roberts*)

L: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING (*Lori Murray*)

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left."' He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 8:1-8

In those days when there was again a great crowd without anything to eat, he called his disciples and said to them, 'I have compassion for the crowd, because they have been with me now for three days and have nothing to eat. If I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way—and some of them have come from a great distance.' His disciples replied, 'How can one feed these people with bread here in the desert?' He asked them, 'How many loaves do you have?' They said, 'Seven.' Then he ordered the crowd to sit down on the ground; and he took the seven loaves, and after giving thanks he broke them and gave them to his disciples to distribute; and they distributed them to the crowd. They had also a few small fish; and after blessing them, he ordered that these too should be distributed. They ate and were filled; and they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

+HYMN OF THE DAY

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

ELW #461

Verse 1

All who hunger, gather gladly;
Holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring.
Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
All around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

Verse 3

All who hunger, sing together,
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

Verse 2

All who hunger, never strangers;
Seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here in joy we keep the feast.

+THE APOSTLES' CREED (*Mark Roberts*)

C: 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.

+THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (*Mark Roberts*)

L: Gathered by the Holy Spirit and fed by the word, we come together as the people of God to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: Into your hands, loving God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the grace of Jesus our Savior **Amen.**

+THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

TIME FOR REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

SENDING

SHARING OF THE PEACE (*Rob*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you!

Please share of wave of peace with one another.

+BENEDICTION (*Rob*)

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

+CLOSING HYMN

“We Come to the Hungry Feast”

ELW #479

Verse 1

We come to the hungry feast
Hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied
The love of God is not denied.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

From hungry folk of ev'ry kind,
The poor in body, poor in mind.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

Verse 2

We come to the hungry feast
Hungry for a world released

Verse 3

We come to the hungry feast
Hungry that the hunger cease,
And knowing, though we eat our fill,
The hunger will stay with us; still
We come, we come to the hungry feast.

+DISMISSAL (*Mark Roberts*)

L: Go in peace. Share the Good News.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE