Faith's Table Worship Service

Our Mission Statement



Sunday, October 20, 2024

Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost

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Welcome to Faith's Table worship service. Today we

focus on the simplicity of "the table" from which Christ calls us to remember Him with humble offerings of bread and wine.

Our communion table is open, all are invited.

Wine/juice is offered in individual cups which can be deposited in the receptacles as you return to your seat.

Those with mobility issues will be communed where seated.

Peace be with you!

Announcements

We Gather

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.**

Let us open our hearts and minds and welcome the Holy Spirit into our lives.

Music for a time of personal meditation

Confession

As we gather around Faith's table let us confess and be freed from our sins, asking forgiveness in the presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

In your compassion forgive us our sins known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our \oplus Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Gathering Song...'Here I Am, Lord' (ELW # 574)

I "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Refrain Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

- 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,
 I have borne my people's pain.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone,
 give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"

 Refrain
- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,
 I will tend the poor and lame.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
 Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" Refrain

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

The Word

Reading ... Isaiah 53:4-12

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation...'Alleluia, alleluia ...'
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel ... Mark 8:27-38

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel is proclaimed, concluding:

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day...'I Love You, Lord' (ELW # 708)

(Offering is brought forward during this hymn)

Refrain

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them. Refrain
- Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away. Refrain
- 3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you. Refrain
- 4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you. Refrain

We Pray

Each petition ends with: Merciful God, receive our prayer.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

The Table

Holy God, Holy Creator, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

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*

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus*...'Holy, holy, holy Lord.'

Holy, holy, holy Lord God. God of might and power; Holy is the Lord. Holy, holy, holy Lord God. God of might and power; Holy is the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer

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.
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.

Lord's Prayer

This is the body of Christ.

Behold what you are; become what you receive.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come to the table. All are invited.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

(Congregation may be seated)

Agnus Dei* ... 'O Lamb of God'

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

Communion Hymn...'Oh Lord, Hear My Prayer' (ELW # 751)

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me. Text: Psalm 102:1-2

Time of silent prayer and reflection

Table Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.* **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

May the Spirit and the peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Let us share God's peace with one another.

Sending Hymn...'This Little Light of Mine' (ELW # 677)

- 1 This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- 2 Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine; ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine; ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Dismissal

Fed and nourished at the table, almighty God #bless you now and forever. Go forth, remember the poor and serve others as we have been called. **Amen.**

Postlude

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Here I Am, Lord

Text & Music: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Tune Name: Here I Am, Lord

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Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

Text: Tom Colvin, 1925-2000, alt.

Music: Ghanaian folk tune, adapt. Tom Colvin

Tune Name: Chereponi

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O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Text: Psalm 102:1-2; Taizé Community, adapt.

Music: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

Tune Name: Hear My Prayer

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This Little Light of Mine

Text: African American spiritual

Music: African American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935

Tune Name: This Joy Text and music: Public Domain Arr. © Horace Clarence Boyer, admin. Augsburg Fortress

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 20 – 22nd Sunday After Pentecost

- Faith's Table Service

- Sunday School 10:55 AM

- Announcements

- Holy Communion Worship Pr Julio Romero 11:00 AM

- Coffee Hour

Thursday, October 24 - Bible Study 10:30 AM – 12 PM

- Council Meeting 2:00 PM

Sunday, October 27 - Reformation Sunday

- Sunday School 10:55 AM

- Holy Communion Worship Pr Kevin Powell 11:00 AM

- Announcements

- Coffee Hour

Thursday, October 31 - Bible Study 10:30 AM – 12 PM

Wednesday November 13 - 12 noon – 3:00 PM Lunch and Learn sponsored by the WoF. Guest speaker: "Overview of Dementia!" More information and sign-up sheet are posted in the narthex. Sign-up by **November 9. Everyone** is welcome.

Saturday November 16, 2024 - 9am-12 noon - Trinity's Treats and Treasures (Trinity Lutheran Church, Fort Erie). See poster on bulletin board in the fellowship hall for more information.

Community Care – Let us continue to remember the less fortunate by donating to the Food Bank. Community Care also needs other items such as hygiene products like travel size toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, diapers and gently used clothing.

Pastoral care – If you are in need of pastoral care please call the church and leave a message (messages will be checked daily), or, in an emergency, call Pr. Julio on his cell phone 289-407-3993. If it is not an emergency please keep in mind that Saturday and Monday are his days off.

Iryna (Olena's mom) works at L'attitudes Salon in the Pen Centre. She is looking for new clients. October 24, 25, 26 she is offering free haircuts with colour or highlights. L'attitudes phone number 905-688-0101 for an appointment.

Workshops – Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre

Led by Anna Racine,

Friday, November 1 – Sunday, November 3. Retreat with the Lord – Deepening Our Relationship With God Cost: \$350

Tuesday, November 19, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

My Jesus - My Saviour! Cost: \$35

Saturday, November 23, 9:30 – 3:30. Learning How to Grieve-One Day at a Time Cost: **\$70** includes buffet lunch.

Register: 905-356-4113 or at www.carmelniagara.com More information is posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.