



SOTC Worship
August 4, 2024
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Jesus, you spread out your arms
to welcome the world.
And then you tell us to feed them.

But we struggle with your command.

**We find the seed of doubt
growing in our hearts:**

**What is our compassion
among so much pain?**

**What is our small kindness
in a system of injustice?**

**What is one act of reconciliation
in a divided society?**

**How can so little food
feed so many hungry mouths?**

We have simply forgotten:
when you ask us to feed the world,
you always provide the bread.

**Even when we have tasted
the bread you multiply;
even when we gather your leftovers,
we still find ourselves between
your wondrous power
and our sinful reality.**

So we ask for your forgiveness.

**When you call for our faith,
forgive our unbelief.**

**As you prepare our heavenly dwelling,
forgive our earthly worries.**

**When you offer us armfuls of food that satisfies,
forgive our appetite for unhealthy fare.**

**When your gospel challenges us,
forgive our irritable complaints.**

You are patient with us
even when we prove
fussy and doubtful,
reluctant and argumentative.

**How often do we act this way
just because we are hungry?**

People of God, Jesus knows you are hungry
for forgiveness.

So Jesus has set our table
with bread from heaven;
and a feast to heal the soul.

You are forgiven.
God leavens you
with eternal goodness.
Jesus gives you
forgiveness enough to share.
And the Holy Spirit
fills your life with
the flavor of transformation.

You are forgiven.
God, give us this bread always.



1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,
 2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,
 3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,



I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble, some of these days.
 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.
 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.



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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
 be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bread of Life, you have fed us before. Somehow we are still hungry. You will feed us today. Tomorrow we will hunger again. Feed us every time we hunger, and give us faith to trust that even before we know we are hungry, and even before we understand what satisfies, you have set the table for us and for the world. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and giver of all good things.

Amen.

WORD

STORYTELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

In preparation to receive God's Word, we light the Christ candle and pray for illumination from God's word. Take a moment for silent reflection.

READINGS: EXODUS 16:2-4, 9-15; PSALM 78:23-29; EPHESIANS 4:1-16

In response to the readings:

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: JOHN 6:24-35

The Gospel is announced:

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

ALL WHO HUNGER GATHER GLADLY

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer."

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

And also with you!

Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

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 God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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 DISTRIBUTION

Together we receive God's gift of love given to us in the sacrament of communion. All are welcome at the table, where Christ is our host.

Receive the bread with open hands, and receive either the wine (red liquid) or juice (clear liquid). If you do not desire to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest as an indication to the server.

LAMB OF GOD

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

HALLELUJAH! WE SING YOUR PRAISES

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Thanks be to God!

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