World Communion Sunday



October 5, 2025
10:00 a.m.

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH Rev. Timothy T. Boggess

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

Susan Dunn
Rebecca (Becky) Loomis

PROCESSION OF BREAD - CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

El Cielo Canta Alegria Pablo Sosa/arr. Henderson
(The Chancel Choir and NewSong Band)

Argentinian composer Pablo Sosa portrays the joy of heaven when all God's children come together as one.

El cielo canta alegría, aleluya!	*Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!*
Porque en tu vida y la mía	*Because in your life and mine*
brilla la gloria de Dios. Aleluya!	*shines the glory of God. Alleluia!*
El cielo canta alegría, aleluya!	*Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!*
Porque a tu vida y la mía	*Because your life and mine*
nos uno el amor de Dios. Aleluya!	*are one in the love of God. Alleluia!*
El cielo canta alegría, aleluya!	*Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!*
Porque tu vida y la mía	*Because your life and mine*
proclamarán al Señor. Aleluya!	*proclaim the Lord. Alleluia!*

from Psalm 24:1, 116:12-13

CALL TO WORSHIP Wendy Miller

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world and those who live in it.
What shall we return to the Lord
for all the good things God has done for us?
We will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

*** HYMN 511** *Come, Behold! The Feast of Heaven* LLANFAIR

Come, behold! the feast of heaven Alleluia!
has to mortal flesh been given. Alleluia!
Hear the Word of God declared: Alleluia!
"Come! the banquet is prepared." Alleluia!

All is ready, come attend Alleluia!
as the Lord's invited friend; Alleluia!
come from north, west, south, and east; Alleluia!
celebrate the joyful feast. Alleluia!

All who trust in God belong Alleluia!
at this banquet with this throng. Alleluia!
Share the mystic holy food; Alleluia!
taste and see: the Lord is good. Alleluia!

As the Lord our God has willed, Alleluia!
here the hungry soul is filled; Alleluia!
here the weary are refreshed. Alleluia!
All who share God's feast are blessed. Alleluia!

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

As we come today to your great table, O God,
we realize how small we have made our own.
Our vision of your grace is too narrow.
Our awareness of your mercy is too limited.
Our understanding of your kingdom always falls short.

We fail to measure up to the people you have called us to be.
Hear our prayers and forgive our shortcomings.
Raise our eyes, lift our hearts, and fill our spirits,
so that we may live joyfully and abundantly in the manner of Jesus.

(a moment for silent reflection)

*** ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

Song from South Africa, translation by Gracia Grindal.

*** SONG OF JOY** *Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*

Sung by choir:
Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona, di tha bile kaofela.
Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona, di tha bile kaofela.

Sung by all:
Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.
Hallelujah! We sing your praises; all our hearts are filled with gladness.

Christ the Lord to us said:
I am wine, I am bread.
I am wine, I am bread:
give to all who thirst and hunger.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Anna-May Jacobsen - Swedish
Tony Mostardo - Italian
Dorothy Murphy - Lithuanian
Hans Schmeits - Dutch
Irene Dulaney - Spanish

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Eric Robinson

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Denver Stutler, elder

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Hearing this biblical text in Spanish highlights our spiritual kinship across all national and cultural boundaries.

ANTHEM *Estos les Digo* Kinley Lange
(Chancel Choir)

Esto les digo,
si dos de ustedes se ponen
en acuerdo aquí
en la tierra para pedir
algo en oración,
mi Padre que está en el cielo
se lo dará.

This I say to you,
if two of you are gathered
in one accord here
in the earth to ask
anything in prayer,
my Father who is in heaven
will give it to you.

Porque donde dos o tres
se reúnen en mi nombre,
allí estoy yo
en medio de ellos.

Because where two or three
are gathered in my name,
there am I
in the midst of them.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:7-10
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Grab an Apron* Rev. Boggess
Living the Yes - Stewardship 2026

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *Doxology Dance* Louis Bourgeois/arr. S. Phillips
(Fernando Cruz, Isaac Mingus, Mark DeRose, Steven Phillips)

* **DOXOLOGY 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

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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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

This African American spiritual embodies hope for freedom and oneness across all divisions.

* **SONG OF MISSION 770** (v. 1, 3, 4) *I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*

I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;
I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.

I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers; Alleluia.
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;
I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers; Alleluia.

Here all the world will find a welcome;
Here all the world will find a welcome; Alleluia.
Here all the world will find a welcome;
Here all the world will find a welcome; Alleluia.

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Boggess

The postlude concludes our worship today. It's the custom of this congregation to sit and enter into this moment with gratitude and celebration.

POSTLUDE *We Are One in the Spirit* arr. Steven Phillips

The chalices and fabrics used on the communion table today represent people and countries from around the world including Czech Republic, Egypt, Guatemala, Kenya, South Korea, Lithuania, Mexico, Native American, Northern Ireland, Palestine, Peru, Senegal, and the United States.

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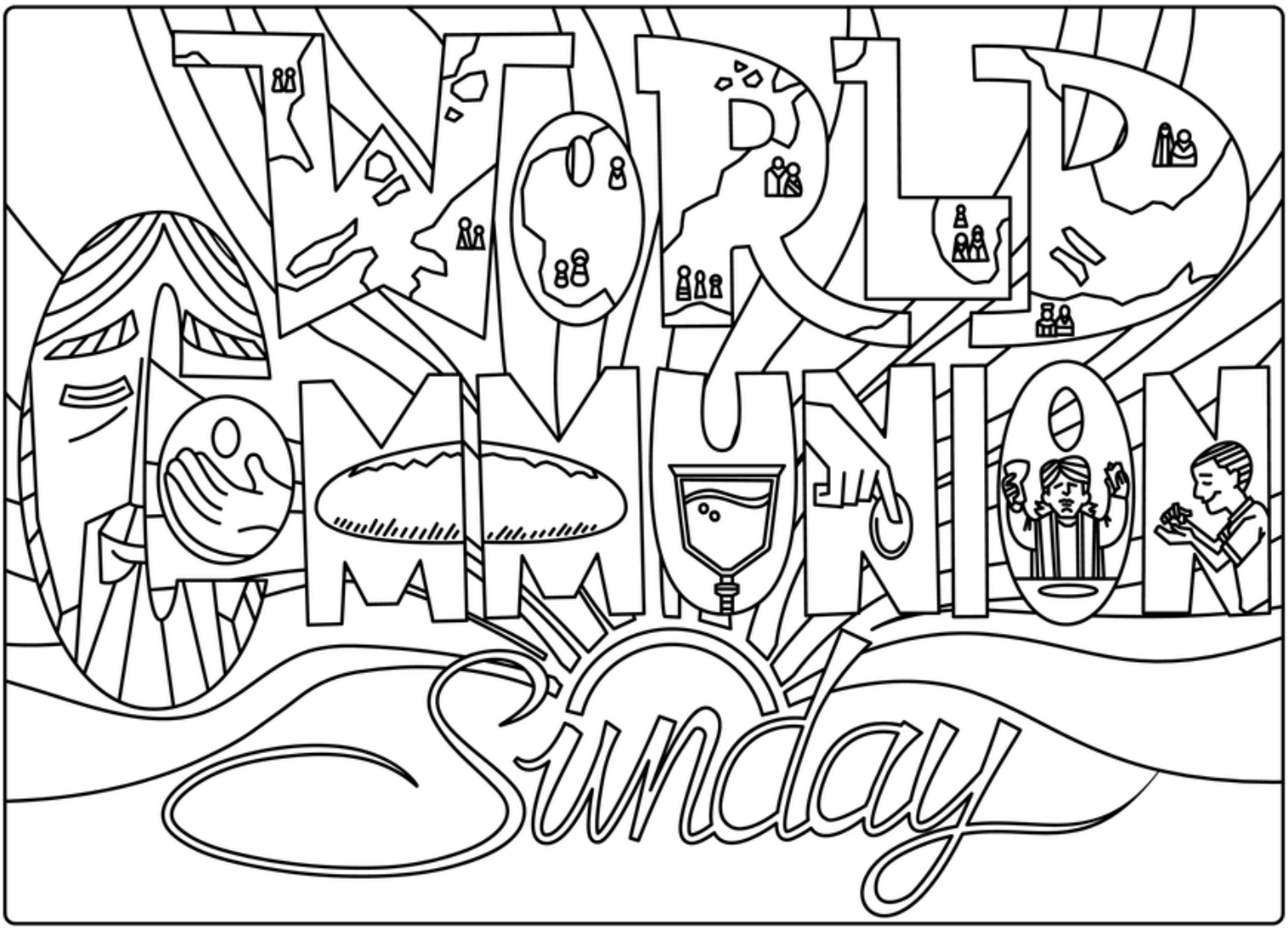
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