



**Online Worship Resource** (Sunday, October 4, 2020)

**BOLD TYPE IS SPOKEN BY THE CONGREGATION**

Prelude

**AVE VERUM CORPUS**

W. A. Mozart

*Hail, True Body*

*Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary,*

*Who truly suffered, sacrificed, on the Cross for man,*

*Whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood.*

*Be for us a foretaste of heaven.*

*(Translated from Latin)*

Jane Kerr, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship**

Gabriel Mayeden, Liturgist

Please join me in the responsive call to worship:

This is a day of remembrance.

**We lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

Throughout the generations, we have received and handed out what the Lord has given to us:

**the bread of his body; the cup of the new covenant;**

**proclaiming the Lord's death until he comes again.**

**Let us worship!**

**Opening Hymn:** "Da n'ase"

Praise God, all you nations, People of God sing praise! (Repeat)

God's love is great and endures forever.

Praise God all you nations, People of God sing praise!

Da n'ase! Da n'ase! Da Onyame ase! (Repeat)

Efiase oye n'a n'a doe doe so,

Da n'ase! Da n'ase! Da Onyame ase!

(Repeat 1st verse)

**Passing the Peace**

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Children's Time**

**Prayer for Illumination**

Let us prepare our hearts to hear God's Word by praying together the Prayer for Illumination:

**Creator of unity, Body of peace, Spirit of community, bind us together around your Word that we may be fed with the Bread of Life. Then send us out to show your mercy and embody your redeeming love to all people everywhere. For the sake of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: John 6:27-35

(Liturgist)

<sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” <sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” <sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” <sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is that which [comes](#) down from heaven and gives life to the world.” <sup>34</sup> They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Luke 22:14-20

(Pastor)

<sup>14</sup> When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup> for I tell you, I will not eat it [until](#) it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” <sup>17</sup> Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, “Take this and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup> for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” <sup>19</sup> Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” <sup>20</sup> And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Communion Reimagined

Rev. Michelle Fincher

**Hymn after Sermon:** "I Am the Bread of Life"

I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger, and who believe in me shall not thirst,

No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

**REFRAIN:**

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread,

You shall live forever, You shall live forever. REFRAIN

I am the resurrection; I am the life. If you believe in me,

Even though you die, you shall live forever. REFRAIN

**Call to Offering**

Christ, our living bread, has given himself for the life of the world. Grateful for God's greatest gift to us, it is our privilege to give back to God's church, that the work of Christ may continue. Please pray with me the prayer of dedication

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Loving God, as you fed your people in the wilderness, use our gifts, time, and talents as the manna to meet the hungers of the world in which we live. For Jesus' sake. Amen.**

**Sharing the Lord's Supper**

**Call to Confession**

Trusting in the unfailing mercy of God who loves us, let us confess all that separates us from God and neighbor. Let us pray....

## Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God, you call us to serve others as Christ has served us. We confess that we have not followed Christ's example as fully or as often as we should. We look the other way from people in need. True humility eludes us, and we hide our own vulnerability before others. Instead of loving wholeheartedly, we judge and condemn, denying others the grace you so freely offer us. Forgive us, Lord, Feed us with your life, that we may be true disciples of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon

Sisters and brothers, the promise of our faith is that whoever turns to Jesus Christ will never hunger for forgiveness and that which gives life to the world. This is a promise of joy and peace!

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah! Amen.**

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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 our thanks and praise....**

Prayer after Communion

## Benediction (sung)

**Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God,  
Who has come into the world.**

**Refrain:**

**And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
And I will raise you up on the last day.**

Postlude: **We Are the Body of Christ**

*One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise you, we are the body of Christ.*

*One goal, one vision: To see you exalted. We are the body of Christ.*

*And to this, we give our lives to see you glorified.*

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Today's Worship Participants:

Rev. Michelle Fincher, Jane Kerr, organist, Judy Viccellio, guitar,

David Maley, piano, Gabriel Mayeden, liturgist, and

Whitney Roberts, technology team