

Combined Worship Service

October 5, 2025

The Service for the Lord's Day

WF GATHER

PRELUDE Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Purcell (Arr. Berry)

WELCOME

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a land of suffering?

We shall sing of courage and the strength of the Lord.

How shall we sing the Lord's song when we feel so lonely?

We shall sing of unity and faithfulness, of reconciliation and hope.

Come, let us sing the Lord's song this day.

Let us praise God in all our ways forever. Amen.

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*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GATHERING HYMN

O Sing to the Lord (see insert from Glory to God)

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSON

EMBODIED PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy (see insert from Glory to God)

WE LISTEN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Please stand if you are able.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 133:1

John 17:21-23

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Leader: The word of the Lord; **People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM Look at the World

John Rutter

Chancel Choir, directed by Madison Zahorsky and accompanied by Erica Dickson

SERMON Rev. Karen Kinney

"How Can We Be One in a Divided World"

WE RESPOND

POST-SERMON ENGAGEMENT

MINUTE FOR MISSION AND COMMUNITY LIFE

*COMMUNION HYMN

Come to the Table (see insert, from Glory to God)



THE LORD'S SUPPER

Today, we join Christians around the world who gather at Christ's table in many languages, cultures, and traditions. On this World Communion Sunday, we remember that though we come from many places, we are one body, sharing one bread and one cup in Christ.

INVITATION

Like a sower, God scatters, and God will give growth.

God scatters life across the earth.

God scatters people in every land and nation.

God scatters disciples far and wide.

Like a shepherd, God gathers.

God gathers people into families of faith.

God gathers people into communities of love.

God gathers people into the body of Christ.

Today, on this World Communion Sunday, God gathers us at one table with disciples of every language, culture, and tradition. From cathedrals and chapels, from huts and houses, from fields and cities, God gathers us in many places and makes us one in Christ.At this table, we remember the cost of discipleship and rejoice in the richness of Christ's gifts poured out for the whole world.

COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE MEAL

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (unison)

We thank you, generous God, for the nourishment of this table and the living presence of Christ among us. We thank you for the gift of growth and grace in this life-renewing feast. We thank you for the company of your great cloud of witnesses, here in this place, in every land, and throughout the generations. Take your gathered people and scatter us again into the world—renewed, invigorated, and committed—that, so nourished, we may take root and bear life-giving fruit to feed, heal, clothe, and comfort, in Jesus' name. Amen.

(Communion Liturgy taken from

globalministries.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Communion-Liturgy-2025.pdf)

*SENDING HYMN
This Is My Song (see insert, from Glory to God)

*CHARGE AND SPOKEN BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL SUNG BENEDICTION "Amen" from The Lilies of the Field

POSTLUDE A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Luther

We hope you'll stay for our Fellowship Meal! (Even if you weren't able to bring a dish, there is always more than enough.)

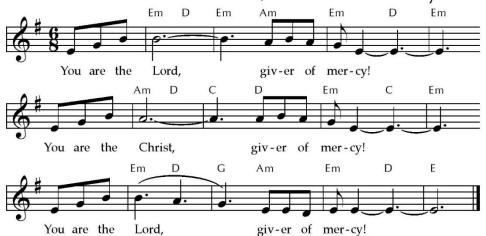
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O Sing to the Lord



FORGIVENESS

437 You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!





The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.