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Our vision for ministry ...

**"God calls us to reach out and to grow in Christ's love"**



8 Pentecost

*Announcements and Parish Concerns*

This is the day that the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Let's stand and join in praising the risen Lord Jesus!

*Hymn* ELW (red book) **532** "Gather Us In"

**<sup>1</sup>Here in this place the new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken,  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**<sup>2</sup>We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry,  
we are the old who yearn for your face;  
we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty,  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly,  
give us the courage to enter the song.**

**<sup>3</sup>Here we will take the wine and the water,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**<sup>4</sup>Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away—  
but here in this place the new light is shining,  
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever,  
gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

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*Greeting*

From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all. **And also with you.**

*Hymn of Praise:* Tune: LBW 170 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

<b>Come, Holy Spirit, come</b>	<b>With angel hosts we sing</b>
<b>And set our lives on fire!</b>	<b>Your holy name to bless,</b>
<b>Move us to speak so all may hear</b>	<b>Almighty Mystery, three in one</b>
<b>The message you inspire.</b>	<b>Enthroned in holiness.</b>

*Prayer of the Day*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*You may be seated*

*First Lesson: Jeremiah 23: 1-6* Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness." nrsv

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*Second Lesson: Ephesians 2: 11-22* So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall,

that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. nrsv

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*Response*      Tune: LBW (green book) **235** fourth verse only

**Oh, send your Spirit, Lord, now unto me,  
Come, Spirit, touch my eyes and make me see.  
Show me the truth concealed within your Word,  
And in your book revealed I see my Lord.**

*Gospel Lesson: The Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ!*

The Good News according to St. Mark the 6<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56* The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed. nrsv

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*You may be seated*

*Sermon; Pastor Dan Clayborne*

*Hymn* ELW (red book) **574** “Here I Am, Lord”

**1 “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**

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**

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*Following the hymn, at the Pastor's invitation, please stand*

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Prayers of the Church*

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world and all of creation.

... Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Confession and Forgiveness*

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

**help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

*Sharing of the Peace*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "The Peace of the Lord be with you".

*The offering basket is available as you enter or exit the sanctuary – it will not be collected during the service.*

*Please stand as you are able*

*Offertory Prayer*

Let us pray together:

**Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen**

*Preface to Communion*

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.**

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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*    Tune: LBW (green book) **165** "Holy, Holy, Holy"

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God Almighty!**

**We rejoice to join the hymns of earth and sky and sea.**

**Generations praise you, with saints and angels.**

**Holy and blessed through eternity.**

*Words of Institution*

*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 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.**

*Invitation to the Table*

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! **Amen!**

*Pastoral blessing for children and those not receiving communion.*

*You may be seated.*

*You are invited to Commune at our Table*

Emmanuel's Church practices open communion, inviting all who are baptized and believe in the presence of Christ in the bread and wine to receive communion here.

*Instructions for Today's Communion*

We will be using Fellowship Cups for communion today. They contain a wafer packaged on top of a small cup of grape juice and will be distributed to the congregation by the ushers after being blessed on the altar. We will all partake of communion together once all the cups have been distributed. Please discard your used cup in the trays available on your way out of the sanctuary at the end of the service. There are gluten free wafers available – please let the usher know if you need one.

*Sharing of Holy Communion*

**Body of Christ, given for you.  
Blood of Christ, shed for you.**

*Please stand as you are able*

*Post-Communion Blessing*

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

*Post-Communion Prayer*

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

*Benediction: ( ✠ Signifies the sign of the cross, a reminder of our Baptism)*

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

*Hymn* ELW (red book) **787** "On Eagle's Wings"

**1You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in this shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!"** Refrain

Refrain: **And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

**2The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under God's wings your refuge,  
with faithfulness your shield.** Refrain

**3You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come.** Refrain

**4For to the angels God's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

Final refrain:

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand;  
and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.**

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*Dismissal*

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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