

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today 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.**

SONGS DURING COMMUNION:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

ELW, #473

“As the Grains of Wheat”

ELW, #465

“I Love to Tell the Story”

ELW, #661

“Change My Heart O God”

ELW, #801

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: “Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It” *see insert*

POSTLUDE: “Krut” Daniel Moldavin/Andre Moldavin
(Duet for 4 hands Jewish Fantasy)

GO IN PEACE

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Worship Team for today:

Presider: Pastor Barb Lemke

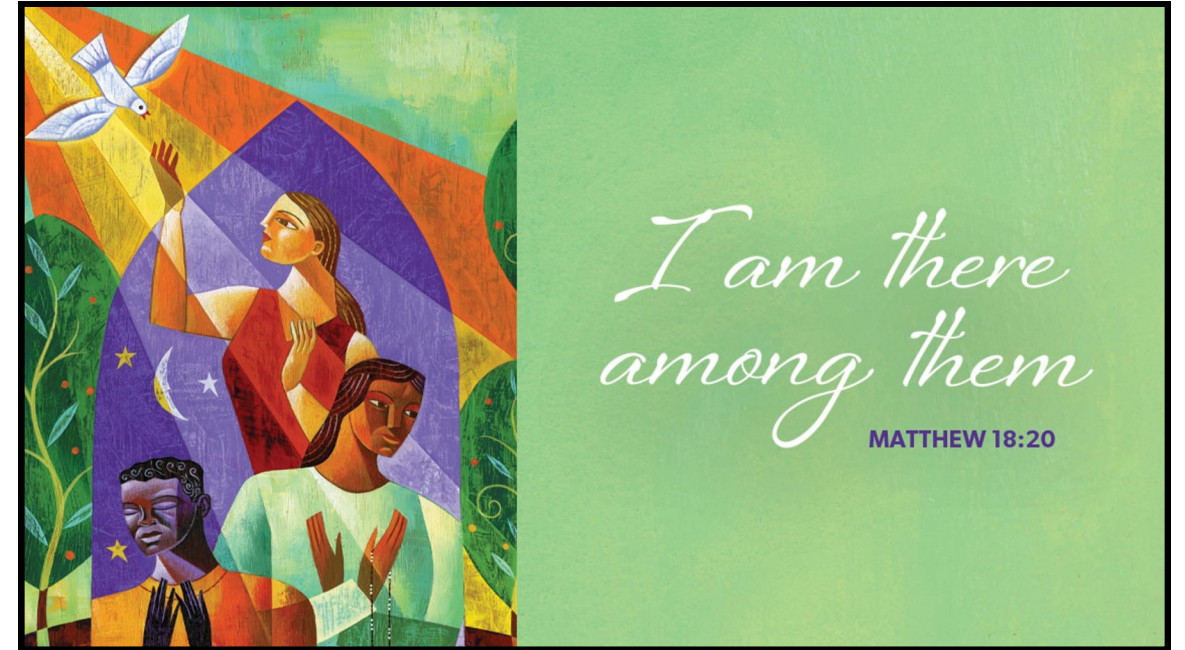
Pianist: Mila Khmeleva **Hymnists:** Laina Kelley-Walker & Sheila Kelley

Reader: Richard Richmond **Greeter:**

Usher: Rick and Norma Breiding **Communion Asst.:** &

Screen: Travis Kleven **Video Facebook:** Ron Freund **YouTube:** Jamie Villante

Sunday Worship Service



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Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 10, 2023

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
September 10, 2023
9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Mila Khmeleva

GATHERING: “Oh, Sing to God Above” ELW, #555
“Come into the Holy of Holies” *see insert*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORPORATE PRAYER:
“Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church.”

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS ELW, pp. 94–96

OPENING HYMN: “What A Fellowship, What a Joy Divine ” ELW, #774

GREETING

KYRIE ELW, p. 184

PRAYER OF THE DAY

SPECIAL MUSIC “How Can I Keep from Singing” Choir

1ST READING: Ezekiel 33:7–11

PSALM: Psalm 119:33–40

2ND READING: Romans 13:8–14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 188

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15–20

CHILDREN’S SERMON Kathy Harrison

HYMN: “Bind Us Together” WOV, #748

SERMON “Gathered and Bound” Pastor Barb Lemke

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 into hell.*
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

Ukraine our prayers are with you
John & Casey Howshar
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank
Pat Oakes – Robert McBride – Patti Schoenfeld – Mike Lemke – Linda Faciane (Joy’s aunt)
– Susan Riley (Lorraine Chambers’ friend) – Don Kirkegaard – Ashlyn (daughter of friend
Wade and Lynn Hampton) – Katherine (friend of Ron and Doris Freund) – Alicia Jerrup
(friend of Mary Katherine Smith) – Brenda (Jeff Grawe’s sister)
Ray & Cathy Maver-Johnson
Danny Cowan
Armonni Gonzalez (friend of Patty Garcia’s daughter)
Bob Zenn
Eleanore Sims
Carol Kirkegaard
Ev Kelley
Al Ryberg, Sylvia Cowan’s brother
Susan Armor – Johnnie Armor
Sheri Johnson (Lynn Hampton’s niece)
Chad Buttler, son of a friend of Debbie Diedrich (kidney health)
Twins Betty & Barb Geisler, relatives of the Cowans (car accident, severe injuries)
Linda Washington
Karen Orth, James Orth’s mom

Homebound members: Pat French – Wil Wertz – Jim and Linda Craig

Physical Rehab: Josh Carter

Thanksgiving for Families:

Dick Wick
Carol Einertson
Bill & Jan Eirish

OFFERING

Special Music “Babadjanian Nocturne” Mila Khmeleva

OFFERTORY: “Give Thanks” *see insert*

Give Thanks

Chorus:

Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given,
Jesus Christ His Son.

Verse:

And now let the weak say I am strong.
Let the poor say I am rich.
Because of what the Lord has done for us

Ending:

Give thanks

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Come Into the Holy of Holies

Come into the Holy of Holies,
Enter by the blood of the Lamb;
Come into His presence with singing,
Worship at the throne of God.
Come into the Holy of Holies,
Enter by the blood of the Lamb.
Come into His presence with singing,
Worship at the throne of God.
Lifting holy hands to the King of kings,
Worship Jesus.

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Redeemed How I Love to Proclaim It

VERSE 1

Redeemed, how I love to proclaim it!
Redeemed by the blood of the lamb;
Redeemed thro' His infinite mercy,
His child, and forever, I am.

REFRAIN:

**Redeemed, redeemed, redeemed by the
blood of the Lamb;
Redeemed thro' His infinite mercy,
His child and forever I am!**

VERSE 2

Redeemed and so happy in Jesus,
no language my rapture can tell;
I know that the light of His presence
with me doth continually dwell.

VERSE 3

I think of my blessed Redeemer,
I think of Him all the day long;
I sing, for I cannot be silent;
His love is the theme of my song.

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19 years ago, on September 7th, I arrived in USA with two teenagers and no English. At the time, I couldn't even picture how difficult but rewarding my path here would be. Shortly after our arrival, a musician friend of mine advised me of a church pianist opening, and I decided to shoot my shot and apply. Back in Russia, I was a piano professor and I had no experience with church proceedings. So it took me a while to figure everything out. I am extremely grateful to Pastor Barb for her never-ending patience, understanding, support, and – most importantly – for giving me a chance. I am also very grateful to all of you—I was welcomed into your community with open arms, and I was able to find support here in some of my darkest moments.

There were many musical events that have happened in the church – from the concerts of my students to concerts during COVID to Ukraine fundraising concerts. I hope such events will continue happening here for the enjoyment of all of you. Thank you all for allowing me to be a part of your lives for the past 18.5 years, and may our paths cross again!

Always your,
Mila