

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 8:30AM WORSHIP BULLETIN

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Prelude *At the Name of Jesus* (ELW #416)

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

*P: We worship in the name of the Father, and the Son +, and the Holy Spirit, one God, whose teaching is life, whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.*

**C: Amen.**

*P: Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.  
Silence is kept for reflection.*

*God our comforter:*

**C: like lost sheep, we have gone astray.**

**We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.**

**We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.**

**We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.**

**Free us from our sin, gracious God.**

**Listen when we call out to you for help.**

**Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Amen.**

*P: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*

*By the gift of grace in Christ Jesus, I declare your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and Son +, and the Holy Spirit. God makes you righteous.*

*Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.*

**C: Amen.**

Kyrie .....ELW #157

Hymn of Praise.....ELW #167

Prayer of the Day

*P: Let us pray*

**C: Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG**

First Reading: **Numbers 11: 4-6, 10-16, 24-29**

Second Reading: **James 5: 13-20**

Children's Sermon

Gospel Acclamation.....**Thy Word**

Gospel Reading: **Mark 9: 38-50**

(Before) **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

(After) **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

***How Small Our Span of Life*** (ELW #636)

**1** How small our span of life, O God,  
our years from birth till death:  
a single beat within the heart,  
the catching of a breath,  
a drop within the ocean's deep,  
a grain upon the shore,  
a flash of light before we sleep  
to see the sun no more.

**2** And yet our speck of life is spanned  
by your infinity;  
our tick of time on earth is caught  
in your eternity.  
While suns and stars spin endlessly  
through depths of cosmic space,  
while aeons roll and ages pass,  
you hold us in your grace.

**3** O Christ, you left eternity  
to plunge in time's swift stream,  
to share the shortness of our span,  
our mortal lives redeem.  
You filled your cross-closed years with love;  
you loved us to the end  
and touch us with your risen life  
that ours may time transcend.

**4** We thank you, God, for kindling faith  
that lights our transient years,  
illuminating our pilgrimage  
through mists of doubt and fears;  
for hope that sees a life beyond  
the swiftly passing days;  
for love, both human and divine,  
that lifts our hearts to praise.

Sacrament of Baptism

**Brody Bruce Willard**

Prayers of the People

*P: Lord in your mercy.* **C: Hear our Prayer.**

Sharing a Sign of Christ's Peace

*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always! C: And also with you!*

## **GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST**

Offering

Ministry Minute: Women's Retreat

Offering Prayer

**C: God of abundance,  
you cause streams to break forth in the desert  
and manna to rain from the heavens.  
Accept the gifts you have first given us.  
Unite them with the offering of our lives  
to nourish the world you love so dearly;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.**

**Great Thanksgiving  
Holy, Holy, Holy  
Words of Institution  
Lord's Prayer**

Invitation to Communion

*WL: All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.*

Communion Hymns      ***Bind Us Together Lord  
Be Thou My Vision*** (ELW #793)  
***Only By Grace***

Prayer after Communion

*WL: Let us pray*

**C: Lord of life,  
in the gift of your body and blood  
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your love  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD**

Blessing

*P: People of God,  
You are Christ's body,  
Bringing new life to a suffering world.  
The holy Trinity, Father, Son +, and Holy Spirit,  
Bless you now and forever.  
C: Amen.*

Sending Hymn

***Go Out With Joy***

**Chorus**

**Go out with joy  
And be led forth in peace  
The mountains and the hills  
Shall break forth singing (Repeat)**

**Verse**

**And all the trees of the field  
Shall clap their hands  
The Lord Jehovah shall be praised  
And all the trees of the field  
Shall clap their hands  
The Word of the Lord  
Shall be forever**

**Chorus**

**Go out with joy  
And be led forth in peace  
The mountains and the hills  
Shall break forth singing (Repeat)**

Sending

*P: Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.*

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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