



Feast of Victory Lutheran Church
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Sunday, July 20, 2025
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

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ASSISTING MINISTER, RENA RUDKIN
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✙ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✝ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: LORD, SPEAK TO US, THAT WE MAY SPEAK, ELW 676



1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in
 2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the
 3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the
 4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -



liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so
 wan-d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that
 pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that
 til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and



let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
 we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-cr. A-men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

¹ The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ^{10a} Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 15

The psalm is sung responsively. The congregation sings the verses in bold print.



¹ Lord, who may dwell in your | tabernacle?
Who may abide upon your | holy hill?

**² Those who lead a blameless life and do | what is right,
who speak the truth | from their heart;**

**³ they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil | to their friends;
they do not cast discredit up- | on a neighbor.**

**⁴ In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who | fear
the Lord.**

They have sworn upon their health and do not take | back their word.

**⁵ They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes a- | gainst
the innocent.**

Those who do these things shall never be | overthrown.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28

¹⁵ [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in

all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NOISY OFFERING

The Noisy Offering supports the Community Needs Fund and we collect Pennies from Heaven for ELCA World Hunger; these are collected in bread pans often by our children serving in worship.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

The gospel for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost is from the gospel according to St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary

has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Pastor Haley Vay Beaman

**HYMN OF THE DAY:
DAY BY DAY, ELW 790**

1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens

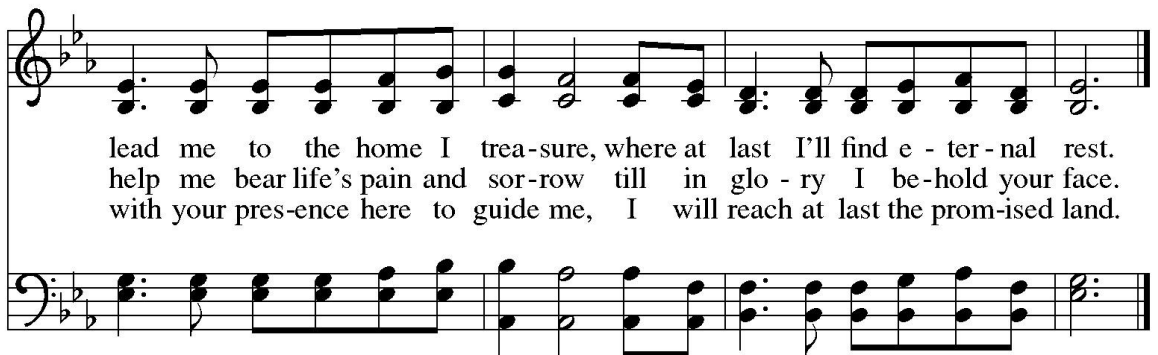
to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

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 INTERCESSION

After each petition, the congregation responds by saying **"Receive our prayer."**

SHARING THE PEACE

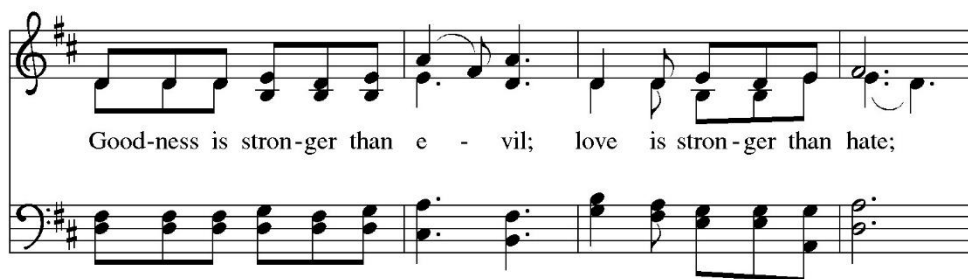
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

THE OFFERING

Weekly giving may be placed in the round collection plate that is distributed by our ushers. Thank you for your faithful giving that supports the ministry we share.

OFFERING MUSIC

OFFERTORY: GOODNESS IS STRONGER THAN EVIL, ELW 721



Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is

Oh,



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is

vic-t'ry is ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Oh,



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

vic-t'ry is ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

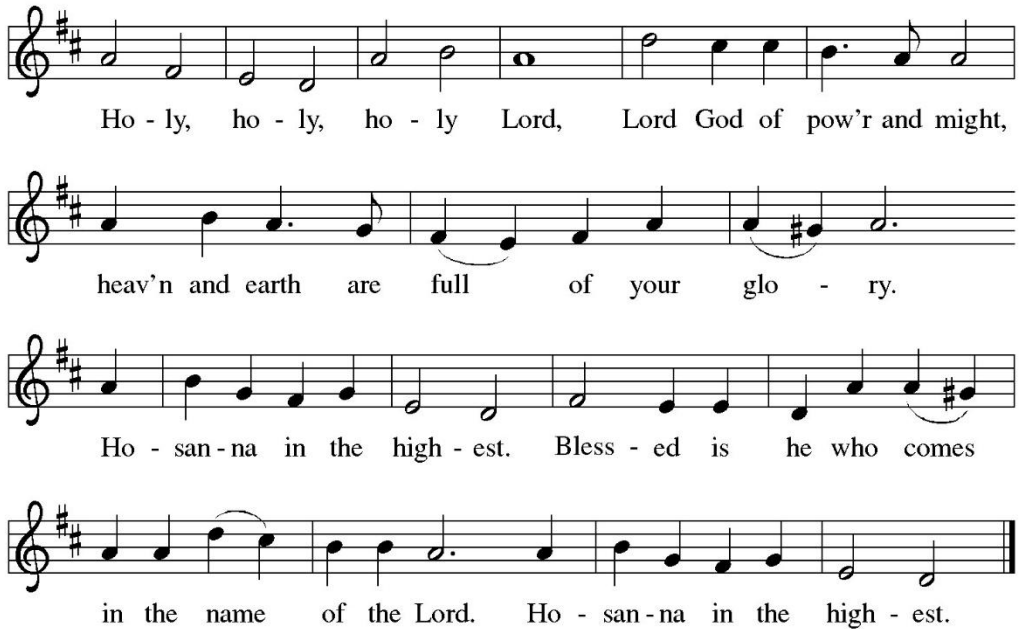
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

SANCTUS: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 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 COMMUNION

The kingdom of God is set before you.
Eat and rejoice.

DISTRIBUTION

All are welcome to the table where we receive Christ's Real Presence. Please follow the directions of ushers and pastor for coming to the altar. If coming forward is a challenge, please let an usher know so that we can meet you where you are with Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing in place of bread, please cross your arms over your chest so the pastor will know. Gluten-free wafers are available, and you may indicate your preference to the pastor when you come forward. Red wine and white grape juice are in the individual cups. As you return to your seat, you will find a small basket on the table in which to place your empty cup.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

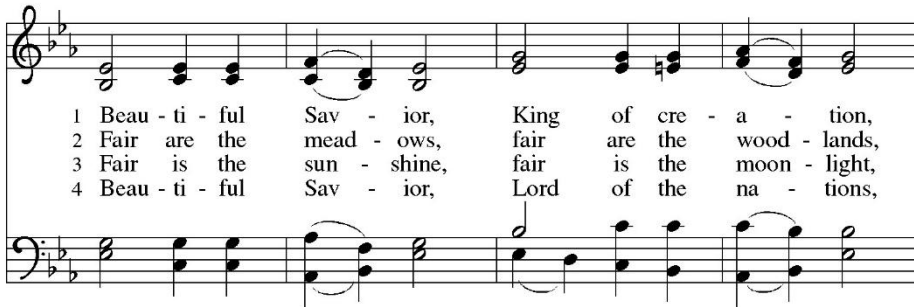


mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

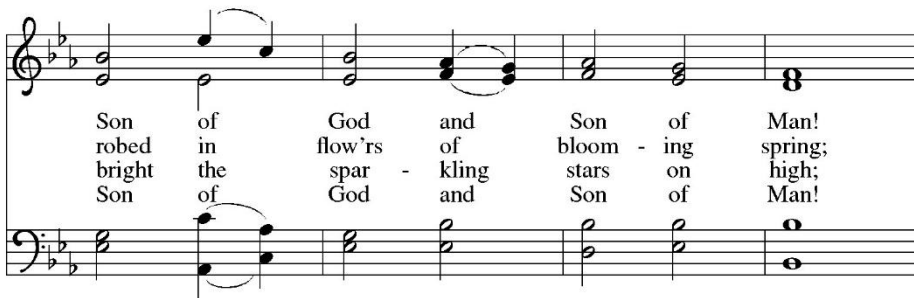


sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

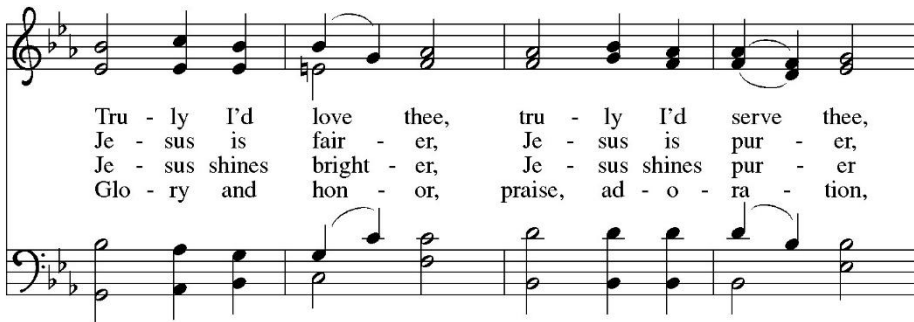
COMMUNION HYMN: BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR, ELW 838



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,



Son of God and Son of Man!
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
bright the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!



Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,



light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: THANKFUL HEARTS AND VOICES RAISE, ELW 207



Thank-ful hearts and voice-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Creative spirit, loving God,
you gathered us to your table
and we have received your abundant grace.
Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: LISTEN, GOD IS CALLING, ELW 513

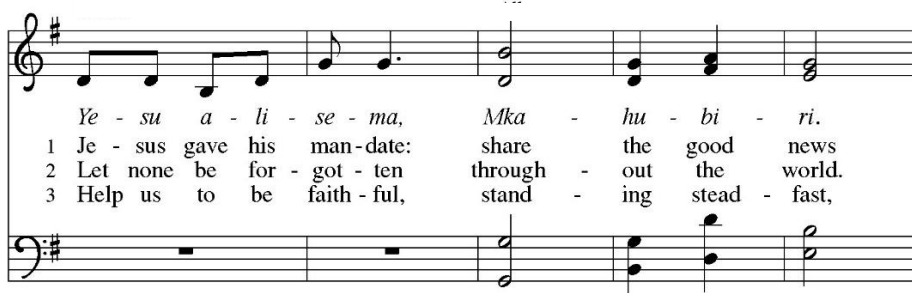
Refrain



Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,
Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,

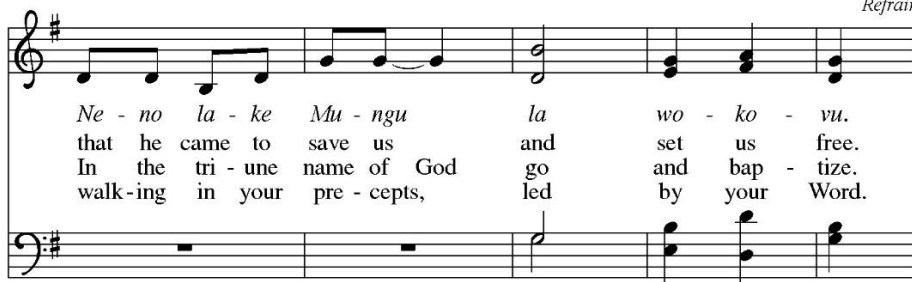


ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.



Ye - su a - li - se - ma, Mka - hu - bi - ri.
1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news
2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.
3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

Refrain



Ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la wo - ko - vu.
that he came to save us and set us free.
In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.
walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO FEAST OF VICTORY: If you are a guest, we invite you to please sign your name and some form of contact info in our Guest Book, located on the wall desk near the office door entrance, and join us for our fellowship time after our worship service so that we can get to know one another. We are glad that you are worshiping with us today either in person or on Zoom. If you would like to speak with our Pastor, schedule a home visit, unite with our congregation, or receive Holy Communion, please contact Pastor Haley Vay in our church office (231-938-1070).

PRAYER REQUESTS AND WELCOME CARDS: As Jesus welcomes us and prays for us, so we also welcome and pray for one another. There are Prayer Request and Welcome Cards located on the table to the left as you enter the front doors of the building. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a card and give it to the Assisting Minister or Pastor if you would like your prayer read aloud in worship, or to Pastor if your request is confidential. If you are visiting...*welcome!* Please consider filling out a Welcome Card and place it in the offering plate or give it to our Pastor, so that we may stay connected.

STAY CONNECTED on Facebook @FeastOfVictoryELCA and check out what's happening, ways to get involved, and watch recordings of worship on our website: www.feastofvictory.org. You may also pick up a copy of our Church Newsletter, "Feast Your Eyes" at the welcome table.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated each Sunday. We believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. It is Jesus who serves us, bringing us forgiveness of sins, faith and new life, and hope for eternal life. All are welcome to receive the gift of faith and forgiveness that Jesus offers. Please let the Pastor know if you would prefer gluten-free bread, and if you prefer white grape juice instead of wine.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE: Special time has been set aside each Sunday following worship for refreshments and conversation. We welcome and encourage you to stay and connect in faith community.

NURSERY AVAILABLE: We have a nursery available for parents and small children. It is located in the last room on the right of the main hallway.

Preaching/Presiding Minister: Pastor Haley Vay Beaman
Assisting Minister: Rena Rudkin
Acolyte: Carolyn Graves
Musician: Cliff Kelto
Reader: Lana Nickels
Greeters & Ushers: David Rudkin & Mike Nickels
Communion: Doug Satow
AV Operator: Caylyn Moglia
Coffee Host: Lori Bartz & Ruth Sutton
Counter: Jean Friday

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