

† Please stand as you are able. The congregation may join in by reciting **the words in bold.**

Prayer and Attendance Cards: Please help us take attendance by writing your name on the prayer card (in the buckets) that is most appropriate for you. You may also write a prayer concern and hold it for prayers of the people.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming the Trinity

Call to Worship—from Psalm 23 (the Message)

¹⁻³ God, my shepherd!

I don't need a thing.

You have bedded me down in lush meadows,
you find me quiet pools to drink from.

True to your word,

**you let me catch my breath
and send me in the right direction.**

⁴ Even when the way goes through

Death Valley,

I'm not afraid

when you walk at my side.

**Your trusty shepherd's crook
makes me feel secure.**

⁵ You serve me a six-course dinner
right in front of my enemies.

**You revive my drooping head;
my cup brims with blessing.**

⁶ Your beauty and love chase after me
every day of my life.

**I'm back home in the house of God
for the rest of my life.**

† **Opening Hymn**

“How Great Is Our God”

W&S 3003

Prayer for Illumination

Providing God, you are the one who can truly feed and satisfy us. Come and meet us in the reading of your word that we might feed on the daily bread you're offering us. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Cassandra Randall

Leader: this is the word of God for us the people of God, **thanks be to God!**

† **Hymn**

“Mighty to Save”

W&S 3038

Sermon

“More Than Enough”

Pastor Adam

HOLY COMMUNION (UMH 15-16)

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we are sure we do not have enough to end hunger in our communities. Forgive us that we forget that, by your presence and power, very little can do so much. We believe we are the only ones who carry heartache around with us. Forgive us, Lord of Compassion, that we do not see, or embrace the pain and despair of those around us. We think we do not have the words with which to offer hope and healing to strangers. Forgive us, Welcoming God, for not having the courage to run up to them with your grace. Help us to live into that joyful, gracious life modeled for us by you, Jesus our Brother, Friend, and Lord.

A Moment of Silent Prayer and Confession

Words of Forgiveness

Friends, Christ allowed his body to be broken and his blood shed so that all—ALL— could feel welcomed to his table and to enter in Communion and become companions with God and with each other. This meal is a foretaste of the healing of all things. This is radical stuff! In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People (to leader): In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! Amen.

† **Peace of Christ**

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

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.
...the hymn of your unending praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
...Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

(liturgy continues...)

†Hymn while we receive Communion: "Let Us Break Bread Together," **UMH 618**

Prayer following Holy Communion

Life-changing God, you have touched us and transformed us to reach out to all who hunger for what only you can give. Keep our feet in your paths and bless us to multiply blessings to others. Amen.

Tithes and Offerings

The Doxology (UMH 94)

Dedicating our gifts to God

Prayers of the People

If you have a prayer concern that you would like for us to pray for in this service, please write on a prayer card in the buckets and hold in the air when it's time.

†***Closing Hymn***

"Blessed Be Your Name"

W&S 3002

†***Benediction***

†***Chiming the Trinity***

†***Postlude***

Flowers this Sunday were given by Marge Potter in loving memory of her husband, Neal Potter.

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"Jesus Multiplies the Fishes and the Loaves," by JESUS MAFA, 1973
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