

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

Prayer and Attendance Cards: we ask that you please fill out one of these cards in the pews to help us take attendance.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming the Trinity

Call to Worship

Leader: Why have you come to this place?

People: We are tired in body and spirit.

Why have you come today?

We have come to receive our daily bread from Christ.

Come and receive your fill what Jesus is offering today.

Will there be enough?

With God, there is always enough, and then some.

Jesus gathers the fragments of our lives, that nothing may be lost!

Come, let us worship.

Opening Prayer

Lord, we come before you this day as people who are hungry. Some of us know what we hunger for, others of us are not sure. We are a people who easily get famished, and so we come before you with our hands cupped in front of us, trusting that you will not pass us by. Please feed us, Bread of Heaven. Fill us with your Spirit. Nourish us with your love and with the food that forever satisfies. Amen.

† **Opening Hymn** Come, though Fount of Every Blessing **UMH 400**
The children ages 0-4 may proceed to the nursery after this song

† **Hymn** All Who Hunger **TFWS 2126**

Prayer of Illumination (In Unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone but by every word that comes from your mouth. Satisfy our hunger with the heavenly food that will nourish us in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

New Testament Reading Ephesians 3:14-21 Jan Schwarze
Gospel Reading John 6:1-21

After the reading: This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Offering and Hymn “Gather Us In” **TFWS 2236**
Using the camera on your smart phone and putting it over the QR code will link you to online giving

† **The Doxology** (to the tune on UMH 95)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low.

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit
One. Amen.**

Dedicating our gifts to God

Sermon

What Are You Hungry For?

Rev. Adam Benson



HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession

Receiving and Giving God, we are empty and long to be filled; we are hungry and long to be fed; we are lost and long to be found. Forgive us for our sins. Invite us once more to eat our fill and find our true nourishment in Jesus, the Bread of Heaven. Just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and fishes, gather up the pieces of our lives that we might find our wholeness in You. Amen.

Silent confession

Words of Assurance

Hear this good news: God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. In Christ, we find God’s abundant mercy doesn’t run out.

All: Glory to God! Amen.

† **Sharing the Peace of Christ**

At this time, you may stand and greet your neighbor, offering signs of peace, and one person may go to the nursery to retrieve the children and nursery volunteers for the remainder of the service.

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 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.

The mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

† *Receiving the Bread and Cup of Christ*

Hymn during receiving Communion “Eat This Bread”

UMH 628

Prayer following Holy Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

† *Closing Hymn*

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”

UMH 629

† *Benediction*

Christ knows what we hunger for and what will truly satisfy, and in his brokenness, we become whole. He is “I Am” come in the flesh, and by knowing Him, we discover who we really are. As He as given himself for us, let us go forth to give of ourselves to others. As He has loved us, let us not keep it to ourselves but find ways to share love with others. Amen.

† *Chiming the Trinity*

† *Postlude*

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