

Order of Worship for 8/4/24

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* Please rise in body/spirit | Congregational responses are in bold

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We do not live by bread alone,

All: But by the Word who became flesh and dwells among us.
One: Christ is the true bread of heaven, the manna of freedom.

All: Come, let us worship and give thanks.

OPENING PRAYER

Giver of life, every day you rain down manna from heaven so that we can eat the bread of angels. Turn our complaints into gratitude, that we, as a church, may mature into the body of the risen Christ given for the life of the world. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #423

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does its successive journeys run, His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And praises throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet perfume shall rise With every morning sacrifice.

3 People and realms of every tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song, And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.

4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns; The prisoners leap to lose their chains, The weary find eternal rest,
And all who suffer want are blessed.

5 Let every creature rise and bring Peculiar honors to our King; Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen!

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (all)

God, you have called us to live lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. But we confess to you and each other that we have not always spoken the truth in love; we have not always made every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Forgive us, and by your grace, help us to grow in every way into him who is our head, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the name of Jesus Christ,

All: We are forgiven.

*HYMN #579 Glory Be to the Father

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 4:1-16

New Testament page 193

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 6:24-35

This is the Word of the Lord

New Testament page 98

Thanks be to God!

SERMON Pastor TJ Shirley

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The Confession of Belhar

We believe that unity is... both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain... We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one lord, work for one cause, and share one hope...

*HYMN #443

O Christ, the Great Foundation

1 O Christ the great foundation on which your people stand to preach your true salvation in every age and land: pour out your Holy Spirit to make us strong and pure, to keep the faith unbroken as long as worlds endure.

2 Baptized in one confession, one church in all the earth, we bear our Lord's impression, the sign of second birth: one fellowship united in love beyond our own by grace we were invited, by grace we make you known.

3 Where tyrants' hold is tightened, where strong devour the weak, where innocents are frightened and righteous fear to speak, there let your church awaking attack the powers of sin and, all their ramparts breaking, with you the victory win.

4 The gates of hell are yielding, the hordes of Satan fly, for Christ the Lord is wielding the sword of victory:
This is the moment glorious when he who once was dead shall lead his church victorious, their champion and their head.

5 He comes with acclamation to claim his holy bride; she stands in exultation, the Bridegroom at her side: the Lord of all creation his Father's kingdom brings the final consummation, the glory of all things.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

One: And so we sing with all the saints on earth and all the angels in heaven:

All: 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...

One: Great is the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again...

One: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and

honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

COMMUNION

LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal p. 16

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(Gluten-free elements provided on stand in front.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENT IN GOD'S NAME

*CLOSING HYMN #414

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought

1 As those of old their firstfruits brought Of vineyard, flock, and field To God, the giver of all good, The source of bounteous yield, So we today our firstfruits bring, The wealth of this good land: Of farm and market, shop and home, Of mind and heart and hand.

2 A world in need now summons us To labor, love, and give, To make our life an offering To God that all may live. The church of Christ is calling us To make the dream come true; A world redeemed by Christ-like love, All life in Christ made new.

3 With gratitude and humble trust We bring our best to You,
Not just to serve Your cause,
but share Your love with neighbors too.
O God who gave Yourself to us
In Jesus Christ Your Son,
Help us to give ourselves each day
Until life's work is done.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Liturgical resources from Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion and Book of Common Worship (1993).

