

August 6, 2023; 9:00 am
Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Communion

We Gather Together

Prelude “Hyfrydol”

by Healey Willian

Welcome & Announcements

Carol Wetzel

Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ

***Call to Worship**

Carol Wetzel

L: Good Morning! Welcome to a celebration of God’s love for us!

P: We surely need to see that love; stresses weigh us down.

L: You’ve come to the right place. This is a place where all of us can seek God’s presence and share our deepest inmost concerns with God.

P: We are glad to hear that, for we wrestle with our faith far too often.

L: Don’t fear! God is with you always, loving and transforming your lives.

P: Lord of mercy and compassion, be in our hearts this day. Help us to reach out with love to others. AMEN.

***Sung Response PH 376 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” Vs. 1-2**

***Call to Confession**

Patient and persistent God, we thank you for calling us here today. As we gather for worship, look beyond our faults to our needs. Keep our hearts and minds open for your words of transforming love. **AMEN.**

***Prayer of Confession**

Lord of mercy and hope,

we come before you with fear. We know that we have fallen short of being the kind of disciples that you have called us to be. We have turned our backs on people in need; we have closed our ears to the cries of the

voiceless. And so we hesitate to come before you because we believe that you are disappointed in us. Remind us again that you are merciful and your love transforms and changes our lives. When we falter and slide off the path of hope you place before us, you “pick us up and dust us off” and put us again on the trail, confident of your faithful presence with us. Forgive us our weakness. Strengthen us and give us courage; help us to be bearers of your good news of peace. We pray this in Christ’s name. AMEN.

Silent Confession

(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Feel God’s healing love pouring over you and into your lives. Know that God delights in each one of you and will always be present to you. This is indeed the Good News of the Gospel.

AMEN.

***Sharing God’s Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula ‘The Peace of Christ.’ ‘And also, with you.’ Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.)

***Sung Response GTG 582 “Glory to God... “**

God’s Word Is Proclaimed

Old Testament Psalm 17:1-7, 15 (p. 496 in pew Bible)

New Testament Romans 9:1-5 (p. 159 in pew Bible)

Gospel Matthew 14:13-21 (p. 16 in pew Bible)

Children's Time

Jennifer Zander

***Sung Response: Grey Book 243 "Surely the Presence"**

Sermon "Our Compassionate Christ"

Rev. Mary Council-Austin

We Respond to God's Word

Minute for Mission "Blessing of the Back-to-School Supplies"

Offering "Devotional Piece #9"

by Dom Paul Benoit

***Offertory PH 592 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***Offertory Prayer**

Rev. Mary Council-Austin

In gratitude for all that we have received from you, O Lord, we offer our tithes and gifts for the ministry of this church in this world which hungers and thirsts for love and peace. Be with each of us as we, too, commit ourselves to lives of joyful, thankful service. In Jesus' name, **AMEN.**

Sacrament of Holy Communion

GTG 507 "Come to the Table of Grace" (Remain seated, we sing this song as the table is being prepared for communion)

The Apostle's Creed

Carol Wetzel

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again 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.
(* universal)**

The Lord is here.
God's Spirit is with us.

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

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

It is our duty and our joy
to give you thanks and praise, O God,
creator and sustainer of the universe.

**We give you thanks
for sun and clouds, for rain and snow,
for phases of the moon, for stars at night,
and planets in their courses.
All you make is very good.**

For the universe we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

We give you thanks
for our creation and our calling,
for friendship and community,
for love and laughter,
for tears and pain of growth.

For your gift of life we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

We give you thanks with those who went before us,
with saints and martyrs,
evangelists and prophets.

With all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
from every culture, land and tongue,
we praise you, giving voice to every creature,
as we join the never ending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Glory to God #552



1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



God of pow - er and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

2. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est,
ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. It consists of four staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: '2. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music features a simple melody with some phrasing slurs and a final double bar line.

Blessed are you, most Holy, in Jesus Christ,
who came among us as a servant and a friend
to reconcile us to yourself.

**We thank you for that life of love,
the good news of your reign,
and the promise of a banquet
where all your children shall be free.**

For your gift of Christ we praise you
we worship and adore you.

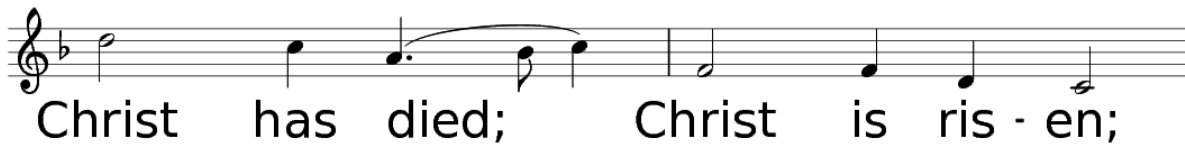
To you indeed be glory, almighty God,
because on the night before he died,
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you;
do this as often as you drink it
to remember me.

For new life in Christ we praise you,
we worship and adore you.

Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen

Glory to God #553



TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC (LAND OF REST): American folk melody; arr. Richard Proulx, 1984; © 1986 GIA Publications, Inc.

Therefore, loving God,
recalling now Christ's death and resurrection,
we ask you to accept
this our sacrifice of praise.

**Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and our celebration,
that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son
and be filled with your life and goodness.**

**Strengthen us to do your work,
and to be your body in the world.
Unite us in Christ
and give us your peace.**

**For the peace of Christ we praise you,
we worship and adore you.**

**Through Christ our Redeemer,
in the power of the Spirit,
we worship you, O God,
in songs of everlasting praise.**

**Blessing, honor and glory be yours,
here and everywhere,
now and forever. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Rev. Mary Council-Austin

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.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned 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.
Amen.**

***Sung Response PH 376 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Vs 3 (2x)**

***Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Mary Council-Austin

The Spirit sends us forth to serve. Go in peace, knowing that God will always be by your side in all that you do. Go in love, offering healing and hope to others. Go in joy, that others may be lifted and inspired in service.

AMEN.

Postlude “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

arr. by Wilbur Held

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Please take a moment to thank those who help make our service run smoothly. Because of them, we are able to worship God well.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>WEEKLY INCOME</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
JULY 30,2023	82 IN THE SEATS	\$3,407.00	OFFERINGS/TITHES
07/24--07/28/2023		\$591.00	VANCO-ONLINE OFFERINGS
		\$3,998.00	TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK
7/30/2023	4 Households		4 HOUSEHOLDS VIEWED THE ZOOM SERVICE FOR 07/30/2023

August Deacon of the Month
Carol Smith

August Elder of the Month
Laurie Christie

This Week at Church

Sunday	08.06
9:00-10:00am	Worship – Pastor Mary Council Austin Communion – Carol Wetzel
10:15am	Fellowship Time
10:15-11:15am	PYA
10:30-11:15am	Growing Connections – Berry House
6:00-7:30pm	Boy Scout Meeting
Monday	08.07
10:00-11:00am	Staff Meeting
1:00-2:00pm	Deacons
Wednesday	08.09
8:00-9:00am	Men’s Breakfast
5:30-7:30pm	Women in Faith
Thursday	08.10
4:00-5:00pm	Growing Connections Planning
Saturday	08.12
9:00-12:00pm	Table Tennis
Sunday	08.13
9:00-10:00am	Worship – Pastor Rebecca Proefrock Ordination / Installation of Officers
10:15am	Fellowship Time
10:15-11:15am	Adult Growing Connections – Immunizations for Adults and Children – Jolene Schry
6:00-7:30pm	Boy Scout Meeting

Looking Ahead

Worship	August 13 - Pastor Rebecca Proefrock Ordination/Installations of Officers
Cribbage	August 18
Back to School	August 19 - Distribution Day - Boys and Girls Club
Outdoor Worship	August 20 - Pastor Dan Schultz
Session	August 21
Worship	August 27 - Chaplain Darren Beachy

PRAYERS

Brian C.

Gary G.*

Pat D.

Gib D.

Arnold L.

Jesse F.

Silas W.

Carol S.

Liam A.

Burt M.

Jerry and Mary H.

Chastity G. and Joan S.

Jolene S. – Sister and her husband

Lynn K.

Sheryl B.

Lynn M.

Jane D.

Ollive & Bob B.

Rehn Family

Ashley K. (Amber Summeril's Sister)

*Gary is receiving Hospice Care at home.



You can find more information on our website [here](#).

A supply list is available at the Welcome Center
or on our website [here](#).

A donation box is available in the sanctuary.

PYA will inventory and pack supplies on August 6.