

August 4, 2024

**Please stand if you are able.*

PRELUDE Melody Raef

WELCOME Margaret Adamson

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *based on Psalm 34:1-8*

Leader: We will bless the LORD at all times;

People: God's praise shall continually be on our lips.

Leader: O magnify the LORD with me,

People: and let us exalt God's name together.

Leader: O taste and see that the LORD is good;

People: happy are those who take refuge in our God.

***SONG OF PRAISE** #443 *O Christ, the Great Foundation*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *from The Presbyterian Outlook*

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory.

Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ.

We are quick to accuse and slow to confess.

We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings.

We have squandered your gifts.

We have turned from your ways.

We have ignored your Word.

Have mercy on us, compassionate God.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives.

Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE** #579 *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever and shall be, world without end. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-16; Pew Bible p. 951

SECOND LESSON

John 6:24-35; Pew Bible p. 867-868

SPECIAL MUSIC

SERMON

"The Bread of Life"

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***SONG OF PREPARATION**

#319 *Spirit (vs. 1 & 3)*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, they will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE** #592 *Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SONG OF SENDING** #514 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Melody Raef

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THE SESSION 2024

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Ruth Hopke 2024

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Pete Adamson	2024-2026	Jamie Gray	2022-2024
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Christian Life

Paul Davis	2023-2025	Patricia Robinson	2024-2026
Mary-Catherine Sheridan	2024-2026		

Community & Mission

Davis Gammon	2024-2026	Jo White	2022-2024
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welcome
to our church family



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To further God's Kingdom on Earth, one soul at a time.