
Sermon Notes

How is God speaking to you today?

What will you take to your neighbors this week to show God's love?

Offertory

** Our Response

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

** Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Chat

** Hymn

"How Great is Our God"

W&S 3003

** Gospel Lesson

Luke 4:21-30 p. 938

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord.

*People: **Thanks be to God.***

Sermon

Called to Love Boldly

** Holy Communion

Leader:

Ours is an open table and all who earnestly repent of their sins, all who seek to live in charity with their neighbors, all who intend to obey God through Jesus the Christ and earnestly follow his ways are invited to partake. Let us prepare our souls to receive these elements, which have been consecrated, as we confess our sins so that we might partake of these gifts of God with our whole hearts.

Unison:

Most merciful God, hear our confession, for we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed. We have not sought your will with all our whole hearts. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not seen or sought the unwanted, the unloved, and the needy around us. Forgive us, Almighty God, and free us for joyful obedience that we might die to sin and rise in newness of life, to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior and glorify your holy name. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Leader:

Let us make our own personal confession of sin in silence.
In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

Unison:

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Leader:

Jesus the Christ has come;
He declared and displayed the truth and power of God's kingdom; was crucified on the cross of Calvary to bear the penalty of our sins; was raised and exalted and will come again in final victory!

By the power of the Holy Spirit and through faith we have been born again to a living hope, empowered for ministry in Christ's name, and we receive now the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in these gifts of bread and the fruit of the vine.

The gifts of God are for the people of God:
At Christ's command we do this in remembrance of him.
Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and drink of his blood with thanksgiving.

Distribution:

This is the Body of Christ, the bread of heaven, broken for you.

Amen.

This is the Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation, shed for you.

Amen.

Unison: *Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Eternal God, we give you thanks for these gifts that we have received, the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ, and ask that, through them, we might go into the world, filled with the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit, to share God's good news with all the world. **Amen.**

**** Hymn**

"God of Love and God of Power"

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Benediction