

Family



No Longer Strangers

This walk through the letter to the Ephesians teaches the church how to be a community. We are no longer strangers to God or alienated from each other, our Identity in Christ helps us live reconciled with God and neighbor. How do we practice this in deeper ways?

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GATHERING

Congregational responses are in bold print.
The Holy Spirit gathers us together as the people of God.

THEME — God chose us, adopted us to be siblings together. This is a reason for reconciliation, blessing in all our relationships. John the Baptist speaks truth to power, and Herod has him killed. Jesus takes up his message. We are called to witness to justice in company with them, and to proclaim God’s saving love.

PRELUDE

Paul Swenson

WELCOME Alleluia, the Spirit is here, **the Spirit is here indeed! Alleluia!** Leader

**Stand as
you are
able*

***GATHERING SONG**

Listen, God is calling

Worship 513

GREETING

Pastor Joy

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song

First Reading- Ephesians 1:3-14

Readers

A reading from Ephesians-

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Joy

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Gospel

(Mark 6:14-29)

A reading from Mark -

King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your

brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Joy

SONG

Christ, Our Peace

All Creation Sings 1037

Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;

Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.

The image shows a musical score for the song 'Christ, Our Peace'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The first system contains the lyrics 'Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;'. The second system contains the lyrics 'Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.' The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader

Response after each part: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

SHARING THE PEACE

Pastor Joy

stay in your seats & greet others with a bow

The Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

You are invited to greet one another in the name of Jesus!

OFFERING

Elen & Paul Swenson

*You're invited to place offerings in the baskets on your way out today.
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OFFERING PRAYER

Leader

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

————— **MEAL** —————

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**Stand as
you are
able*

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Pastor Joy

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

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

HOW THIS MEAL BEGAN

THE CAMBODIAN LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Welcome!

COMMUNION MUSIC

Here is Bread

Worship 483

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Leader

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **Amen.**

MILESTONES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Joy

————— **SENDING** —————

God blesses us and sends us into the world.

**Stand as
you are
able*

***BLESSING**

Pastor Joy

The blessing of God who journeys with us † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

We all are One in Mission

Worship 576

DISMISSAL

Leader

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Paul Swenson

Following Christ

Today: ♦ Worship 9:30 am ♦ All Ages Fellowship

National Night Out

We are looking for volunteers for National Night Out on Tuesday, **August 3rd** from 5 pm to 7 pm. We need people to help with set up, clean up, hosting and bringing cookies. Please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084BA4AA29A7FF2-national> or call the Church office at 651-222-3619 for help signing up.

Outdoor Worship & Picnic

Mark your calendars for Outdoor Worship & Picnic at Central Park in Roseville on Sunday, August 1 at 10:30 am. More details to come.

Prayer Request New Form!

During this time of hybrid worshipping, we are introducing a digital version of our prayer request for worship. Click the link to this Google Doc and type up your prayer requests. We will read from the prayer request journal in the sanctuary and this doc during prayers of the people in worship.

<https://tinyurl.com/3skbbtsk>

Sunday Volunteer Sign Ups

Now that we're back in person doing hybrid worship, we've got lots of places for you to help out. It takes a lot of folks to make a Sunday service happen! Remember the old sign up sheet in the Gathering Space? We're going to try a new thing by putting our volunteer sign ups on SignUpGenius. This way you can sign up from home, or wherever you have an internet signal AND you'll get a reminder email! Don't have internet or an email account? Call the office and Jean can sign you up. If you'd like to help out with Communion, serve as an usher, a reader, work with the livestream team, etc., please let us know by clicking on this link: <https://tinyurl.com/ft2yxn3>

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher/ Presider Pastor Joy McDonald Coltvet	Musicians Paul Swenson Anne Zielske	Khmer Reader Tigrinia Reader Yohannes Gabir	Crucifer Chuck Engleking	Candle Lighters Ushers Dave & Judy Nass Garmai Jackson Yohannes Gabir
Worship Leader Eric Dokken	Sound Board Bobbie Cloud	English Reader Anne Zielske	Communion Setup Linda Koopmans	
Greeters Carol Dokken		Communion Cleanup Jack Fecht	Communion Servers Ushers	Tech Team Ben McDonald Leo & Joel Rhode

This Week

Date	Time	Event	Location
Mon, Jul 12	7 pm	Council	Como Lake Pavilion
Tues, Jul 13	12-1pm	Shobi's Lunch	COCH Parking Lot
Thu, Jul 15	12-1 pm	Shobi's Lunch	Faith Lutheran
	11:00 am	CLC Women's Group	Brunson's Case & Payne Ave (Meet at church to carpool)
Fri, Jul 16	12-1 pm	Shobi's Lunch	Bethlehem
Sat, Jul 17	9:30	Property Team	Gathering Space

Save the Dates

- Outdoor Worship at Central Park in Roseville on Sunday, August 1
- National Night Out Celebration in Peace Garden, Tuesday, August 3

Next Week's Worship Leaders

Preacher/Presider Pastor Joy McDonald Coltvet	Musicians Paul Swenson Anne Zielske	Khmer Reader Tigrinia Reader Yohannes Gabir	Crucifer Chuck Engleking	Candle Lighters Ushers Scott Seitz + one Chris Kay, Meisorn Himmtann
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