

Sunday August 25th, 2024 13th Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION: God calls us to live and share the amazing love and grace of Jesus Christ with all people. Welcome to the East Bay Outdoor Worship Service. May God bless us in Word and Sacrament, music and community in our worship today. The service is complete in this bulletin. The spoken responses are **bolded text**.

In El Sobrante, California you are on Ohlone, Miwok, Karkin, Muwekma, and Confederated Villages of Lisjan land.

GATHERING

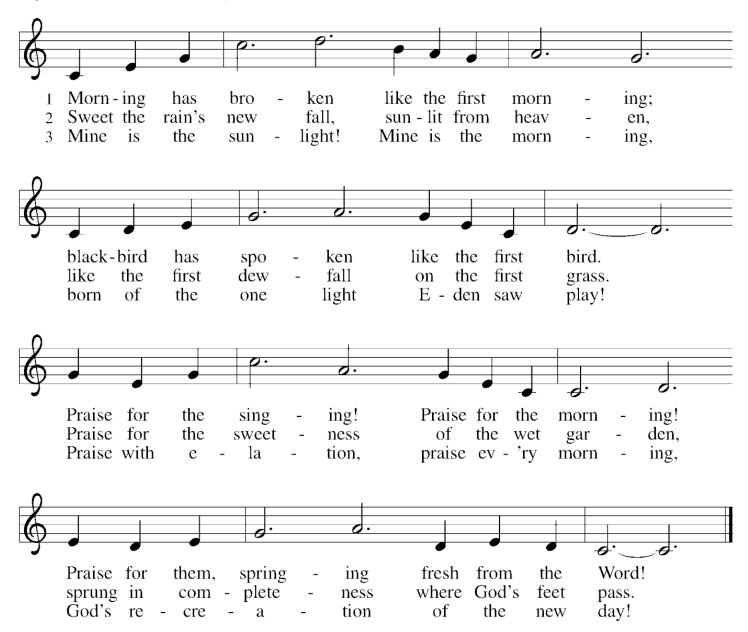
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Joshua 24

I now call upon you to revere and serve Almighty God, completely and sincerely! If you do not want to worship Almighty God; then we will decide whom we will worship! As for me and my household, we will worship the Lord. Far be it from us to abandon God to worship other gods! It was God who brought you up and out of the land of shadow. God has performed great signs before our eyes! God protected you the entire journey! We too will worship the Lord, who is our God!

Hymn ELW 556 : Morning Has Broken



APOSTOLIC GREETING

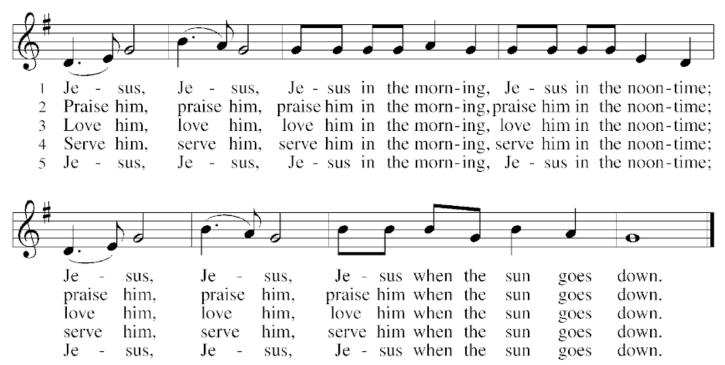
The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Word

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION based on Psalm 34



GOSPEL READING

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O God.**

Jesus continued, "Everyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me, and I live in them. Just as the living God sent me and I have life because of God, so those who feed on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. It's not the kind of bread your ancestors ate, for they died; whoever eats this kind of bread will live forever."

Jesus spoke these words while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. Many of his disciples remarked, "We can't put up with this kind of talk! How can anyone take it seriously?" Jesus was fully aware that the disciples were murmuring in protest at what he had said.

"Is this a stumbling block for you?" he asked them. "What, then, if you were to see the Chosen One ascend to where the Chosen One came from? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh in itself is useless. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life. Yet among you there are some who don't believe."

Jesus knew from the start, of course, those who would refuse to believe and the one who would betray him. He went on to say: "This is why I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by God."

From this time on, many of the disciples broke away and wouldn't remain in the company of Jesus. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Are you going to leave me, too?" Simon Peter answered, "Rabbi, where would we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe; we're convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

This is the Good News. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING SONG W/DANCE

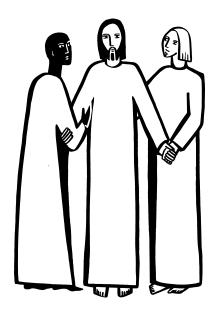
"CHURCH CLAP" BY KB FEAT. LECRAE

If you're open to try, we'll teach you some dance moves from our time in New Orleans! Follow along with the lyrics below:

Chorus: Gimme that God Almighty That good ol' Bible That old school doctrine Gimme that truth for the body Ain't nothing new about it But it's still full of power Now church clap, let me hear the church clap (church clap) Church clap, let me hear the church clap (church clap) Church clap, let me hear the church clap (church clap) Church clap, let me hear the church clap (church clap) Church clap, let me hear the church clap (church clap) Gimme dat, church motha and they church hat, clap

Man that Shug Avery Color Purple comin back, clap uhh When that whole week beat you up and stress ya But you hear that organ playin it remind ya of ya blessings And on another note, she just hit another note Chills down my spine, got me cryin, make me over Lord You don't know about us though, old school church hymms Deacons get to hummin now the drummer finna burst in Can you hear me now

Church clothes sweaty, you don't care you just get it now Testify, how we made martyrs outta these fathers And rose up all of his daughters to glorify Him with honor



Man I swear I saw Miss Jones with her hair did Now its flyin everywhere she don't care what her head did She an heir, yea; Caught up in the air, yea Probably why she clappin like Jesus just hear her prayer, yeah

Chorus

I wanna be the type of dude to get the Lord on his feet *I* wanna do the type of shows that the Lord wanna see And what I mean, if I could make the whole church clap But ain't a clap in the heavens then that clap just a clap, clap For the son glorified, sin mortified The Holy Spirit's going Word of Truth been watered down It sound doctrine, Spurgeon and common uh Nothing wrong with singing loud but that ain't where the power's at For too long the church churches been clappin at weak sermons Leavin the weak hurt, no one's changed by Sunday's service We need discernment, check what you be affirmin *Cause a church can be full of members but empty in conversions* Preach the gospel, and stand back Look for change lives not for hand claps Love people well, Oh they can't stand that The church just a church when the word is where we stand at Chorus

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you have the words of eternal life. Lead the church to put its trust in Jesus, the living Word. Direct preachers, teachers, writers, and all the baptized in faithful speech and bold witness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

Creator God, we and all creation are sustained by your Word. We pray for all who remind us of our interconnectedness with all living things. Prosper the work of conservation organizations, ELCA advocacy, and local climate justice advocates. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** God of wisdom, as our nation navigates another election cycle, guide our leaders to act justly for the sake of the world. Bring about fruitful conversation among your people and bring about change where you see fit. Sustain all who serve on juries in their deliberations. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of restoration, bring healing and wholeness to all who cry to you. Where pain is sharp, bring a sense of comfort and relief. Where grief runs deep, bring your tender mercy. Care for those on our hearts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

God of new life, protect students and teachers for a new school year. Bring an end to school shootings and cycles of violence. Move us to do all that is necessary to ensure a safe future for our children. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

For what else do the people of God pray?...Merciful God, receive our prayer.

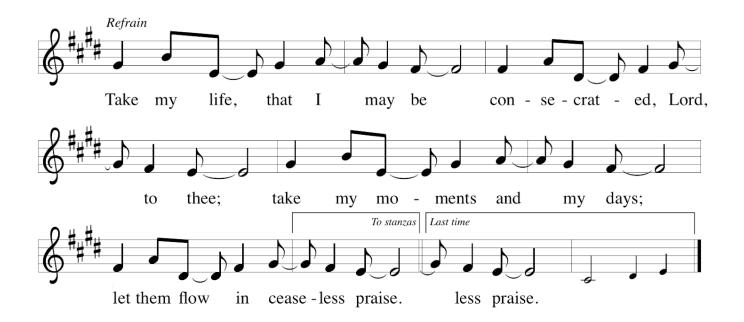
We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

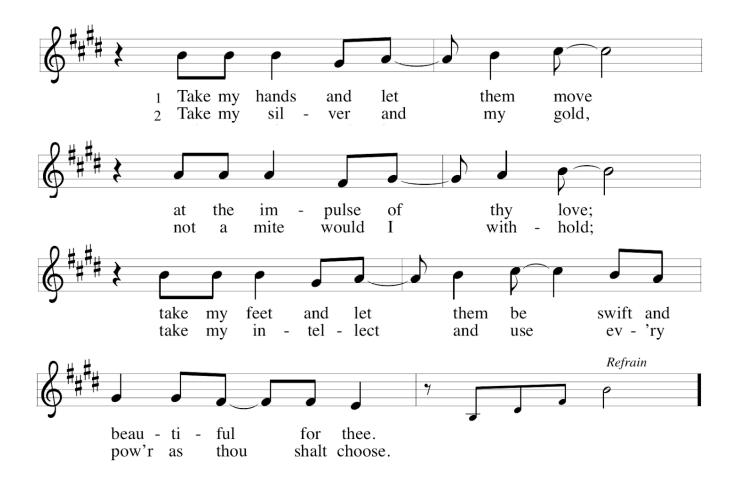
PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERTORY – ELW 583: *Take My Like, That I May Be*



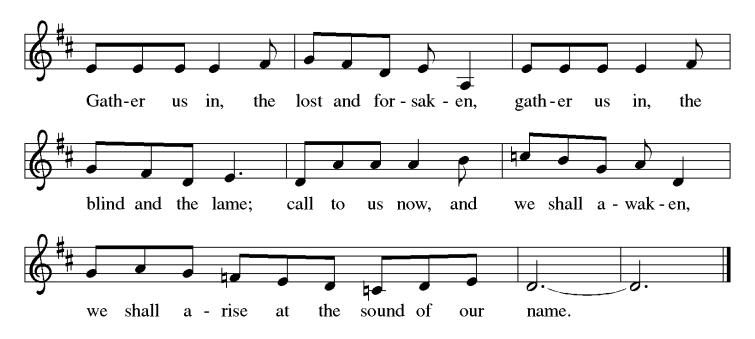


OFFERTORY PRAYER

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.

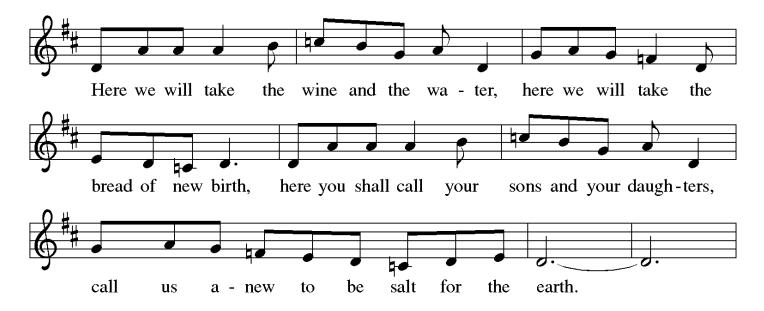
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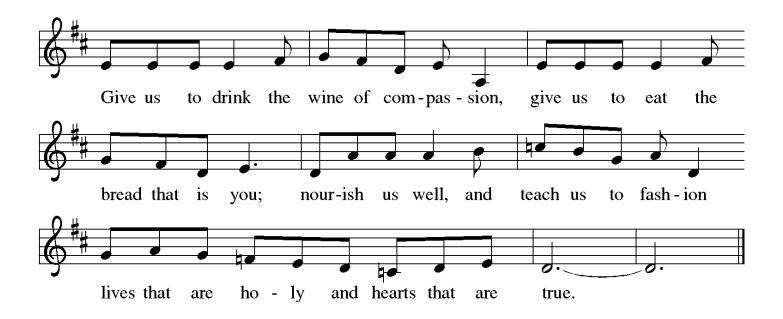




In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.





THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

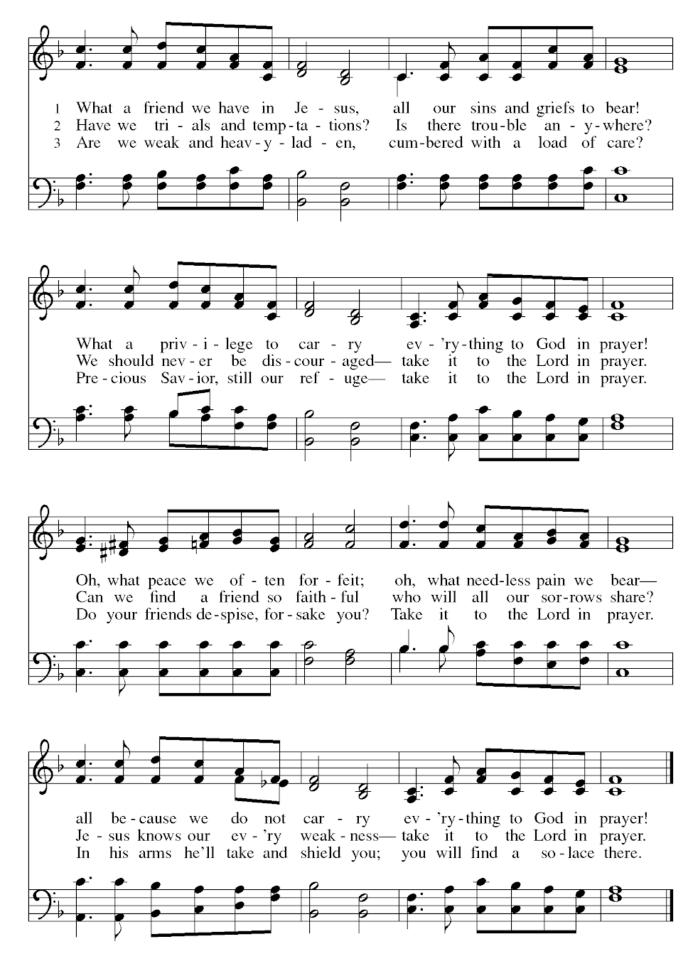
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

AGNUS DEI



DISTRIBUTION HYMN- ELW 742



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

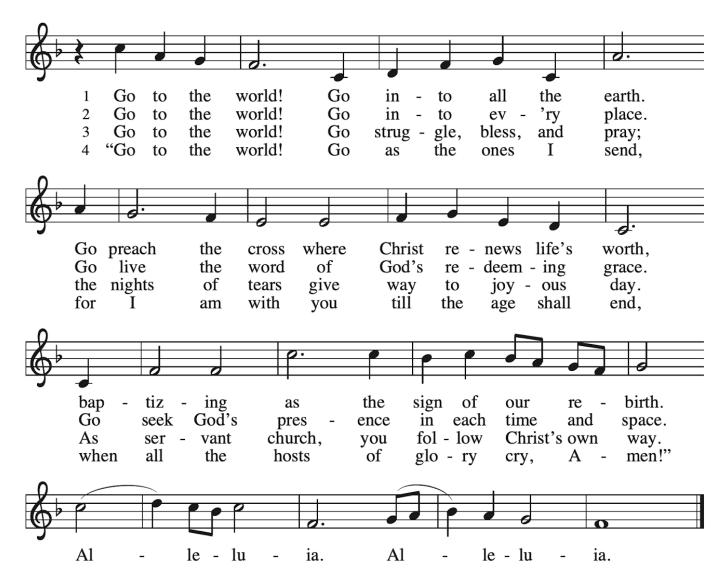
Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever

SENDING

SENDING HYMN – ACS 991: Go To The World



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ! **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Join us and invite friends and neighbors to our Sunday worship service!

Livestream: From your computer:

Go to https://zoom.us/j/2717073677?pwd=aFJvMmxzakExUlR4dlltMDA4S0xiQT09

- Then, follow the instructions to install the program.
- Be sure to enter your name, when prompted.

When asked for audio option, click "Join with Computer Audio."

From your smartphone:

- Download the app "Zoom" (the icon is a white camera with a blue background).
- Open the app.
- Click "Join Meeting".
- Type in the meeting ID "271-707-3677".
- Enter Password "2830" when asked.
- You can now select "Join with Video" or "Join without Video".

When asked for audio option, click "Call using internet Audio".

To dial in using your phone's keypad:

- Dial 1(312) 626-6799 from any phone
- When prompted, enter the "Meeting ID" 271-707-3677 followed by #
- When asked for "Participant ID" just push #
- When prompted, enter the "Meeting Password" 2830 and push #

You will be connected when the meeting/service starts.

Online Bulletins: The Bulletin for this service is available online on Christ Lutheran's website <u>https://christlutheranelcerrito.org/bulletins/</u>

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Hope Lutheran Church, El Sobrante

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Berkeley

University Lutheran Chapel

Christ Lutheran Church, El Cerrito

Music: Randy Mayer & Tania Johnson Food & Drinks: Everyone

