



*Fourth Sunday After Pentecost*

June 21, 2026

10:15 am Family Contemporary Worship



# WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

## Prelude

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Carter

## Worship Song

### Alleluia

Hastings, Moore, Furtick

### Chorus 1

Alle alle alleluia  
You get all the praise  
We say  
Alle alle alleluia  
You get all the praise  
Always

### Verse 1

I've got a God who is for me  
And He's known for making a way  
He fought the battle  
So I wouldn't have to  
All glory belongs to His Name

### Verse 2

I've got a God who's been faithful  
Far more than I could explain  
And through every season  
In spite of my weakness  
He gave me a song I could sing

### Pre-Chorus

I came to praise  
I came to praise  
That's why I woke up today  
I came to praise  
We say

### Verse 3

I've got a King who is risen  
He put my shame in the grave  
Went to hell and back  
And now I never have to  
And He did it all in three days

### Bridge

I'm singing in the morning  
I'm singing at night  
I'm singing in the battle  
That's how I fight

I'm singing He's holy  
I'm singing it twice  
I'm singing He's holy  
The rest of my life

### Tag

I'm singing He's holy  
The rest of my life

### Chorus 2

Alle alle alleluia  
You get all the praise  
Always

### Ending

I came to praise  
I came to praise  
Devil get out of my way  
I came to praise

## Confession

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## Prayers of the Church

### *Refrain*

*Lay it all down, Lay it all down*

*Lay it all down, Lay it all down*

*At the feet of Jesus*

*At the feet of Jesus*

Trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit to unite this broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation, kneeling, sitting, or standing as you are able.

God of life, you have called your people to lose their lives for Jesus' sake. Uphold your Church with the power of your Holy Spirit. Unite your people in faith, deepen our love for one another, and equip us to proclaim the gospel with courage and conviction. In times of trial, make us steadfast; in times of blessing, keep us humble and faithful to your calling.

God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction, and sustain those who advocate for peace. You call us to act justly and love mercy. Protect those with marginalized identities to whom we have not shown the abounding love of Jesus. We lift up to you the ministry of The Dwelling.

And we sing...

### *Refrain*

God of healing, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disabilities. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering especially those on our congregational prayer list and those we name aloud at this time...

*(We now invite you to speak aloud the names of those for whom you are praying.)*

God our Father, on this Father's Day we thank You for fathers and father figures who have shared love, guidance, wisdom, and care. Bless and encourage them, giving them strength, joy, and peace in their important calling. We also remember those for whom this day is difficult—those grieving, experiencing loss, carrying broken relationships, or longing for what has not been. Surround each of us with Your comfort and love, and help us reflect Your grace to one another today and always.

God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. We sing our Amen.

*(Children may head out for C&C Kids)*

### Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**



This Week's Story: Fruit of the Spirit  
Icebreaker Question: What is your favorite movie or TV show?

Welcome Home and Announcements *(See back page for additional announcements.)*

# THE WORD

## Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:]<sup>24</sup> "A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master;<sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup> "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known.<sup>27</sup> What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.<sup>28</sup> Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell.<sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.<sup>30</sup> And even the hairs of your head are all counted.<sup>31</sup> So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup> "Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven,<sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.<sup>34</sup> "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword.

<sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,

<sup>36</sup> and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

<sup>37</sup> "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me,<sup>38</sup> and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.<sup>39</sup> Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please be seated)*

**Sermon**

**Pastor Melody Simpkins**

# THANKSGIVING

## **Anthem**

Put Peace into Each Other's Hands

Kaan/Holstein

Put peace into each other's hands and like a treasure hold it; protect it like a candle flame,  
With tenderness unfold it.

Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation; be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.

Put peace into each other's hands, like bread we break for sharing; look people warmly in the eye: our life is meant for caring.

Give thanks for strong yet tender hands, held out in trust and blessing. Where words fall short, let hands speak out, the heights of love expressing.

Put Christ into each other's hands, he is love's deepest measure; in love make peace, give peace a chance and share it like a treasure.

## Offertory Hymn

182 Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Hillert



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## Statement of Belief

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

## COMMUNION

### Come to the Table-- Everyone's Invited!

*Holy Communion is a celebration of Christ's love, shared through His body and blood. If you're hungry for His presence, this meal is for you! We commune by taking a piece of bread and dipping it into wine or grape juice. Need grape juice or gluten-free options? No problem—the assistant will gladly help you out. Kids are welcome, too! Just let the assistant know if your child will be receiving Communion or would prefer a special blessing. We're so glad you're here—let's share this joyful moment together!*

## Words of Institution

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

## 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.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who  
trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

OR

Our Father, who is of heaven,  
Holy is your name  
Your kingdom come  
Your will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven  
Give us today our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who trespass against us  
And lead us not into temptation  
and deliver us from evil  
For yours is the kingdom  
And the power, and the glory  
now and forever, Amen.

## Welcome to the Table

P: Come now and feast on the gifts of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God.

*(Please be seated)*

## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Distribution of Holy Communion

### Communion Song

#### God Is So Good (You Are Worthy)

Barrett, Bashta, Smith

##### Verse 1

No height or depth can separate  
Your steadfast love who can escape  
Your faithfulness an endless sea  
So full of grace and mercy

##### Chorus 1

We sing God is so good  
God is so good  
God is so good  
He's so good to me

##### Verse 2

Haunted by the past no more  
My innocence has been restored  
Forgiveness flows from Your veins  
Your kindness shown in all Your ways

##### Bridge

(Oh there's) never been anyone like You  
Never been anyone like You  
You are worthy You are worthy

##### Verse 3

Hope is rising like the sun  
The old is gone the new has come  
I fix my eyes on Christ alone  
My Rock my Shield my Cornerstone

##### Chorus 2

God You are good  
God You are good  
God You're so good  
You're so good to me

##### Interlude

God You're so good always good to me

##### Tag

God is so good  
He's so good to me  
God You're so good  
You're so good to me

### The Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

C: Amen.

### Benediction

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

### Sending Song

#### Grace On Top of Grace

Derric Bonnot, Jonathan Smith

##### Verse

Lord how You've loved me I don't deserve  
Grace on top of grace  
More than I've asked for more than I'm worth  
Grace on top of grace

##### Pre-Chorus

How sweet the sound once lost now found  
Heaven came down and grace rescued me

##### Chorus

Hallelujah I am free  
From my sin and penalty

At the cross You took my place  
With Your grace on top of grace

##### Bridge

How sweet the sound once lost now found  
Heaven came down and grace rescued me

##### Ending

With Your grace on top of grace  
With Your grace on top of grace  
With Your grace on top of grace

### **The Doxology** (sung a capella)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

### **Sending**

L: Please read the sending with me.

L: Go in peace and share Cross and Crown's mission with the world.

**C: Following Jesus, loving and serving all!**