

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
TWELFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
AUGUST 12, 2018
“ETERNAL LIFE BREAD”

***PRESERVICE MUSIC*..... “Matchless”**

*Son of a Man, Great I am, King of heaven,
Son of God, You hold the measure of my days
Holy Lamb, spotless Lamb, You are worthy, I am not
Before Your throne I stand amazed*

*Every tongue confess and every knee will bow
To Jesus Christ the Lord forever, hear our praises now*

*Your name is matchless, Your name is priceless
Your name means more than I could know
You're so far above me, the way that You love me
Goes further than any love could go*

*Wonderful Counselor, Root of David, morning star
You are the way, the truth, the life
Lion of the tribe of Judah, Mighty God is who You are
The only perfect sacrifice*

*Every tongue confess and every knee will bow
To Jesus Christ the Lord forever, hear our praises now*

*Your name is matchless, Your name is priceless
Your name means more than I could know
You're so far above me, the way that You love me
Goes further than any love could go*

*In Your name You took the blind man and You gave him back his sight
In Your name You took the dead man and You brought him back to life
In Your name You took this prisoner and You opened up the doors
And I will sing before Your throne forever more*

*Your name is matchless, Your name is priceless
Your name means more than I could know
You're so far above me, the way that You love me
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Preservice 2..... "Amazing Grace On Solid Ground"

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Once was blind but now I see**

**And I've got a peaceful easy feeling
And I know He won't let me down
Cause I'm already standing on solid ground**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed**

**And I've got a peaceful easy feeling
And I know He won't let me down
Cause I'm already standing on solid ground**

**When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun**

**And I've got a peaceful easy feeling
And I know He won't let me down
Cause I'm already standing
I'm already standing
Yes I'm already standing on solid ground**

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WORSHIP THEME: "Eternal Life Bread" John 6:35-51

The most recited verse in all of scripture is what Martin Luther called, the "miniature Gospel," John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." Whoever believes in Jesus as Lord and Savior will be given eternal life. In the passage before us, belief is linked to bread and Jesus is the bread of life. If you come to Jesus, the bread of life, you are going to the key and essence of eternal life. The text also evokes the Eucharistic action of coming to the table to partake of the elements, the body (bread) and blood (wine) of our Lord Jesus Christ. This bread is eternal life bread which lasts forever.

+ We Lift Our Hearts in Worship +

OPENING SONG..... "Indescribable"

***From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming***

***Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God***

***Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom***

***Indescribable uncontainable
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And You know them by name
You are amazing God
All powerful untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God***

***Indescribable uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And You know them by name
You are amazing God
Incomp'able unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And You love me the same
You are amazing God
You are amazing God***

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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor God has given us a life filled with promises for the future so that we can live an abundant life on earth and live with Him for eternity.

People: Amen!

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor Almighty God, in Jesus we have been given the way to eternal life. There is nothing in this world that can satisfy us like Jesus, the bread of life. Help us to evaluate our lives often to see if we are constantly pursuing things which have no eternal value. Give us wisdom and discernment so that we devote our time and energy to areas of life that are pleasing to you and have eternal significance. You loved us so much that you sacrificed your very Son to give us life forever. There is no greater hope in this world than knowing Jesus as our Lord and Savior and the promises for our future. Thank you Lord.

People: In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

TIME OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

ALL: God of love and forgiveness, we worship you and give thanks for all that you have done for us. We confess that we seek out those things which are temporal and will never bring us fulfilling satisfaction. We confess that many times we put our worldly priorities over yours and neglect that which has eternal value. Our greatest source of satisfaction is found in Jesus, the living bread which has come down from heaven. We find ourselves surrounded by distractions and temptations on a daily basis and we give in and commit sins for which we need forgiveness. It is apparent because we have not made you the Lord of our lives. Forgive us for allowing our old self and worldly desires to get in the way.

Pastor: What a comfort and relief it is to know that our sins are forgiven, and we are made clean and renewed. In this time of confession, God is able to repair the broken relationship that is caused by sin. It brings us joy to know that we are restored in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

People: Amen!

+ We Hear God's Word +

- 1 Kings 19:1-8(ESV)(page 5 in bulletin)..... (on page 559 in NIV pew Bible)**
- Ephesians 4:17-5:2(ESV) (page 6 in bulletin)..... (on page 1821 in NIV pew Bible)**
- John 6:35-51(ESV)(page 7 in bulletin)..... (on page 1657 in NIV pew Bible)**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTLE’S 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 Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

SERMON SONG “Even So, Come”

All of creation All of the earth

Make straight a highway A path for the Lord

Jesus is coming soon

Call back the sinner Wake up the saint

Let every nation shout of Your fame

Jesus is coming soon

Like a bride waiting for her groom

We'll be a Church ready for You

Every heart longing for our King We sing

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

There will be justice, all will be new

Your name forever, faithful and true

Jesus is coming soon

Oh, like a bride waiting for her groom

We'll be a Church ready for You

Every heart longing for our King We sing

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

Even so come, Lord Jesus, come

**So we wait, We wait for You
God, we wait, You're coming soon
So we wait, We wait for You
God, we wait, You're coming soon**

**Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church, ready for You
Every heart longing for our King, we sing**

**Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church, we'll be ready for You
Every heart longing for our King, we sing
Even so come, Lord Jesus, come
Even so come, Lord Jesus, come
Even so come, Lord Jesus, come**

*Songwriters: Jess Cates / Christopher Tomlin / Jason Ingram Even So Come (Radio Version/Live) lyrics
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MESSAGE "Living as Children of Light"Ephesians 4:17-5:2

+ We Respond to God's Word +

OFFERING SONG "God is so Good"
**God is so good, He cares for me, I praise His name,
God is so good, He cares for me, I praise His name,
God is so good, He cares for me, I praise His name,
He's so good to me He's so good to me He's so good to me**

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+ We Pray +

PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

+ We Celebrate the Lord's Supper +

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.

WE PREPARE

Pastor: Blessed are you Holy God, Your Son, Jesus, said in the book of John: "I am the Bread of Life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION SONG "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

***What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!***

***Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
Oh what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!***

***Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer:***

***Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness,
Take it to the Lord in prayer.***

***Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge
Take it to the Lord in prayer.***

***Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
In His arms He'll take and shield thee,
Thou wilt find a solace there.***

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+ We Depart in Peace +

DISMISSAL BLESSING

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ give you strength, provide grace, and grant you hope for your journey in life.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Go now in peace and joy knowing that God loves you, Jesus has redeemed you, and eternal life awaits you.

People: Praise God who gives us this amazing gift. Amen

CLOSING SONG "Sing Sing Sing"

*Sing, sing, sing
And make music with the heavens
We will sing, sing, sing
Grateful that You hear us
When we shout Your praise
Lift high the name of Jesus*

*What's not to love about You
Heaven and earth adore You
Kings and kingdoms bow down
Son of God
You are the One
You are the One*

*You are the love that frees us
You are the light that leads us
Like a fire burning
Son of God
You are the One
You are the One
We're living for*

*Sing, sing, sing
And make music with the heavens
We will sing, sing, sing
Grateful that You hear us
When we shout Your praise
Lift high the name of Jesus*

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Lift high the name of Jesus**

**Sing, sing, sing
And make music with the heavens
Sing, sing, sing
Grateful that You hear us
We shout Your praise
Lift high the name**

**Sing, sing, sing
And make music with the heavens
We will sing, sing, sing
Grateful that You hear us
We shout Your praise
Lift high the name of Jesus**

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We Exit to Serve!

If this service has moved you spiritually and you have questions regarding your spiritual life, please feel free to visit with one of the Pastors after the service.