



"The Bread of Life"
DR. TIM BRUSTER
John 6:48-51

Sanctuary Service
11:00 am
MARCH 1, 2020

Welcome
DR. TIM BRUSTER, SENIOR PASTOR

Prelude: Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord

DAVID SCHACK, ARRANGER
PEGGY GRAFF, ORGAN

Choral Call to Worship

*Call to Worship

Rev. Linda McDermott, Associate Pastor

One: When the journey is long and we hunger and thirst,

All: bread of Life, you sustain us.

One: When the road is hard and our bodies weak

All: Bread of Life, you heal us.

One: When our spirits are low and we can't carry on

All: Bread of Life, you revive us.

One: When we offer our hand in love and in service

All: Bread of life, you bless us.

*Hymn 127: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.

I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;

feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;

let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.

Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;

be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;

death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.

Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee;

I will ever give to thee.

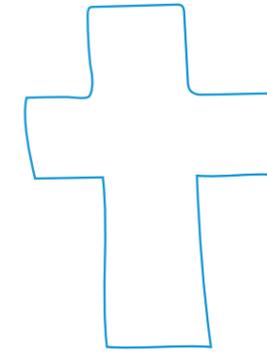
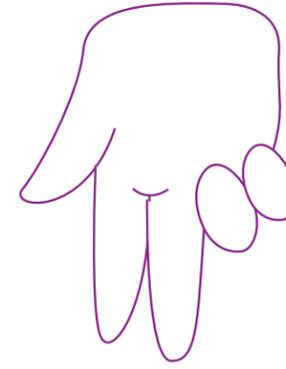


AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God,
the giver of grain and bread,
and in Jesus Christ,
the bread of life broken for us,
and in the Holy Spirit,
God's nourishing power in every
grain and loaf.
I believe that Christ is to be leaven in us,
so that we may offer the bread of life
to the hungers of every human heart.

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;



Gloria Patri means "Glory to the Father." This short hymn of praise has been sung by Christians for many centuries.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.

Please be seated. Ushers will assist in seating at this time.

Scripture: John 6:48-51

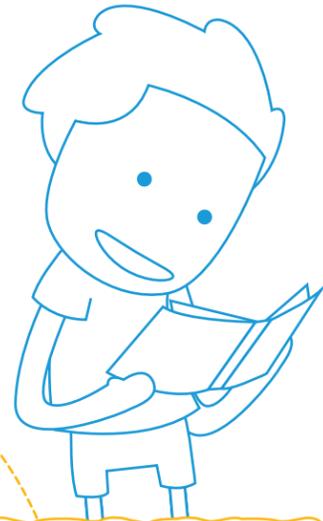
God speaks to us through the reading of scripture.

Thanks be to God.

Faith Like a Child

DR. MIKE, Interim Children's Director, John Mark Taylor, helper

Announcements



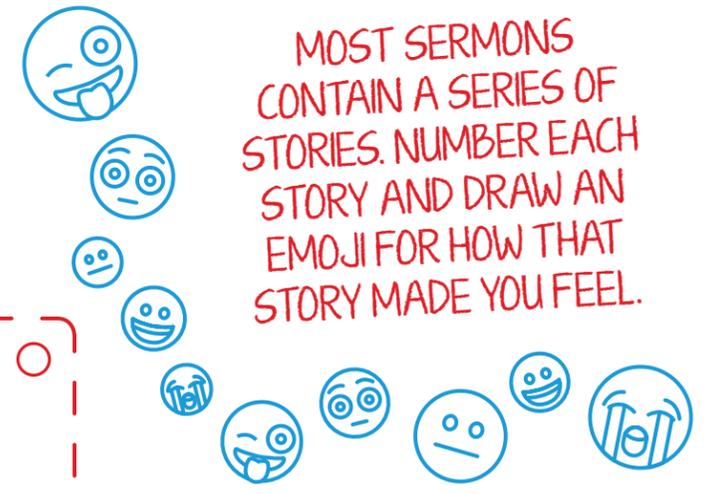
Scripture:
Each week we read from the Bible — the book of God's love. Its words can inspire you, comfort you, teach you, and challenge you to be your best self — a true servant of God.

You can listen as the scripture is read, or...
Find a Bible nearby, look up the scripture, and follow along.

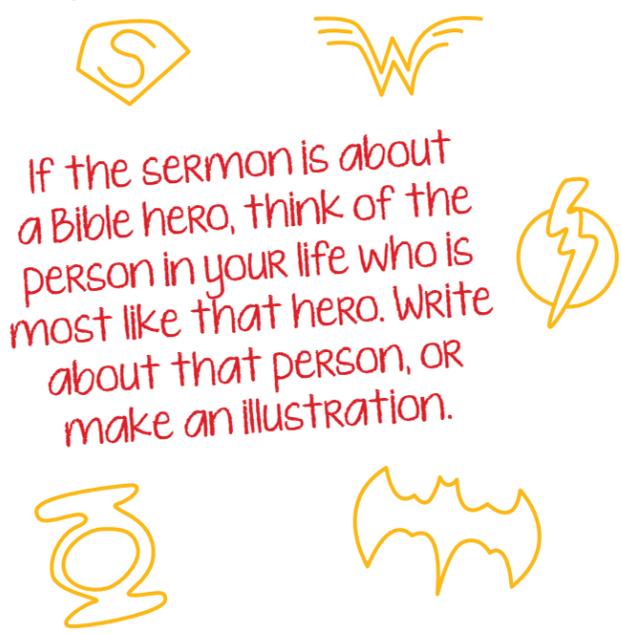
Sermon Snips:
You don't have to "just sit there." Choose one of the sermon snips and let it guide you as you take your relationship with God to the next level.

The Bread of Life

MOST SERMONS CONTAIN A SERIES OF STORIES. NUMBER EACH STORY AND DRAW AN EMOJI FOR HOW THAT STORY MADE YOU FEEL.



If the sermon is about a Bible hero, think of the person in your life who is most like that hero. Write about that person, or make an illustration.

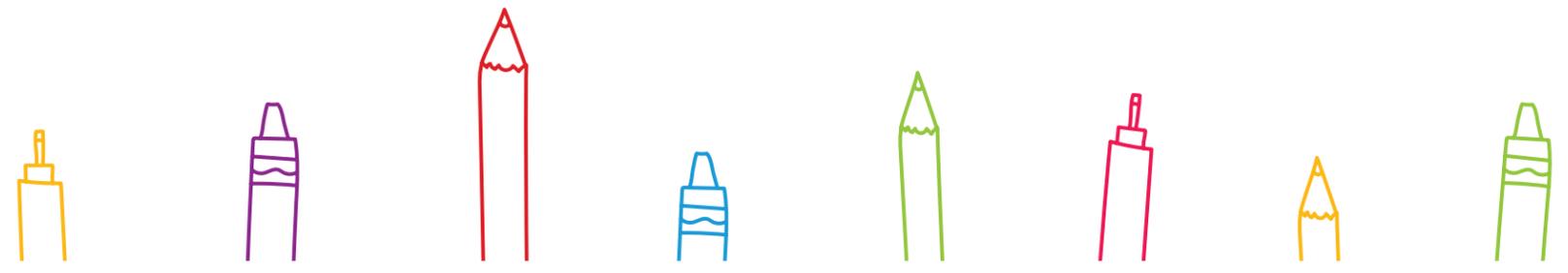


Did you just hear something you disagree with? Argue about it.

Listen. What is something you hear that gives you a sense of wonder? Of peace? Of hope?



Did the sermon remind you of a story from your life? Write about that story... or illustrate it.



Service of Holy Communion

Hymnal pages 12-13

Invitation

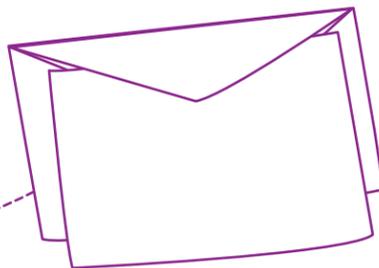
Confession and Pardon

Offertory: I Love to Tell the Story

Charles W. ORE, arranger

Peggy Graff, organ

Find the offering envelope in your worship kit. Write your first and last name on the envelope, then put in the money you plan to give to the church. Place the envelope in the offering plate. Every dollar makes a difference!



The Great Thanksgiving

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. Amen.

Many years after Jesus went to heaven, the early church added this part of the prayer. Hold the prayer cross close to your heart as you say this part.



Serving the Bread and Cup

Communion Anthem: Bread of the World

Reginald Heber, arranger

Choral Union, Nathan Benavides, guest director

* Invitation to Christian Discipleship

* Hymn 630: Become to Us the Living Bread

Become to us the living bread by which the Christian life is fed, renewed, and greatly comforted. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Become the never-failing wine, the spring of joy that shall incline our hearts to bear the covenant sign. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

May Christians all with one accord unite around the sacred board to praise your holy name, O Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

* Words of Assurance

The Bread of Life has called and fed you. Now go forth into God's world to nourish others, bring God's love, hope, and peace.

* Benediction

One: Our gathering will soon be ended. Where will we go, and what will we do?

All: We will go out to be God's people in the world.

One: May grace, peace, hope, love, and joy forever accompany you. Amen.

* Congregational Benediction: Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

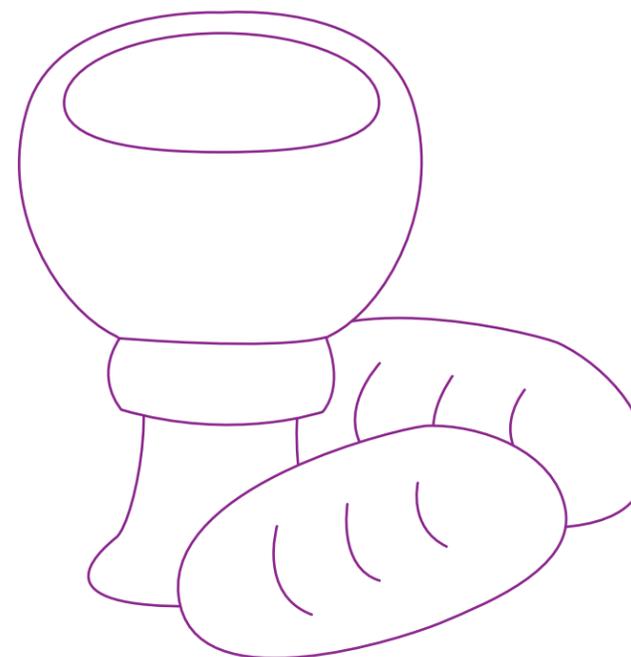
Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

* Postlude: Partita on Built on a Rock, V. Toccata

Alfred V. Fedak, arranger

How are you going to be one of God's people in the world this week?



WORSHIP KIT

↪ INSIDE YOU WILL FIND ↪

TREASURES OF NATURE BOX

One of the best ways we can experience God's power and love is by cherishing God's handiwork in the wonders of nature. Carefully open the box and discover what treasures wait inside.

BLANK CARD

You can use the pencil and crayons to make a *Thank You* note for someone in the Sanctuary who helped make worship feel special to you. It could be a parent, a minister, a choir member, an usher, or someone in the next pew who gave you a friendly wave. After the service, ask your parents to take you to hand-deliver the card.

ANOINTING BALM

Use the anointing balm to bless a friend or family member sitting next to you. Rub a tiny bit of the balm on your thumb and trace the sign of the cross on your neighbor's forehead or back of the hand (whichever they prefer). As you do this, say a simple blessing, such as "God bless you." (It's not just for sneezes.) Or, for a longer blessing, you could say:

*You are a special person.
God loves you, and so do I.
Bless you.*

And don't forget to allow your neighbor the privilege of getting to bless you.

PIPE STEMS

There are so many things you can do with pipe stems. You could:

- Listen to the sermon and sculpt an object you hear mentioned.
- Shape them in the initials of someone you'd like to pray for.
- Look around the Sanctuary and sculpt something you see.
- Sculpt a flower and give it to a family member.
- Make a friendship bracelet and give it to a friend, or to a new member.

PRAYER CROSS

The cross is such a powerful symbol of God's love and hope. Anytime is a good time to hold on to the cross. See inside the bulletin for how to use the prayer cross during the Lord's Prayer.

TANGLE

Listen to a piece of music or a Bible story and mold the tangle to show how it makes you feel.

Does it make you feel:

- Open and ready for God's presence?
- Tangled and confused?
- Wrapped snugly and securely?
- Calm like a gentle stream?
- Not sure?

PENCIL AND CRAYONS

Use these to write notes in your bulletin, draw a prayer, illustrate a story you hear in the sermon, or even ask hard questions.

CLOTH FIGURE

Here are just a few things you can do with the cloth figure:

- Have it act out the events in the Bible story.
- Help it read the bulletin.
- Gently hold it the way God is holding you right now.

EYE SPY CARD AND TELESCOPE

Use the Eye Spy card to identify some of the many meaningful objects and symbols in our Sanctuary. Use the telescope to help you explore.

