

**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.**

**DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*(At the invitation of the pastor, please open your communion kit  
and consume the host and grape juice)*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**+BENEDICTION**

P: "Jesus, Bread of life ..."

C: Amen.

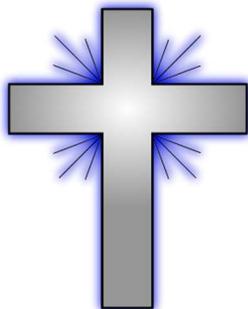
**+SENDING HYMN "LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR  
BLESSING"**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.



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**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost \*August 8, 2021\***

9:00AM

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(+ Indicates Stand if You Are Able)

The Gathering

**WELCOME FROM PASTOR JACK**

**+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us  
confess our sin.  
God, our provider,

C: **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.**

P: 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.

C: Amen.

**HYMN "O JESUS, JOY OF LOVING HEARTS"**

P: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**

#### + PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let Us Pray...  
Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
C: **Amen.**

#### The Word

FIRST READING: ***Ephesians 4:25--5:2***

*After the reading...*

R: The Word of God for the people of God.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL READING: ***John 6: 6:35, 41-51***

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the sixth chapter.  
C: **Glory to you, O Lord**

*Pastor offers the reading; then after the reading...*

P: The Gospel of the Lord  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

#### SERMON

#### QUIET TIME FOR REFLECTION & PRAYER

HYMN OF THE DAY **"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"**

+THE APOSTLES' CREED

+ EXCHANGE OF PEACE:

P: The Peace of the Risen Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**  
*(Please wave to your nearest worship neighbors)*

#### OFFERING PRAYER

*(Offering baskets will not be passed around. At the conclusion of the service, please place your offering in designated baskets in the rear of the sanctuary.)*

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

#### The Meal

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**  
P: Lift up your hearts.  
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: *"In the night in which he was betrayed..."*

#### 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.**