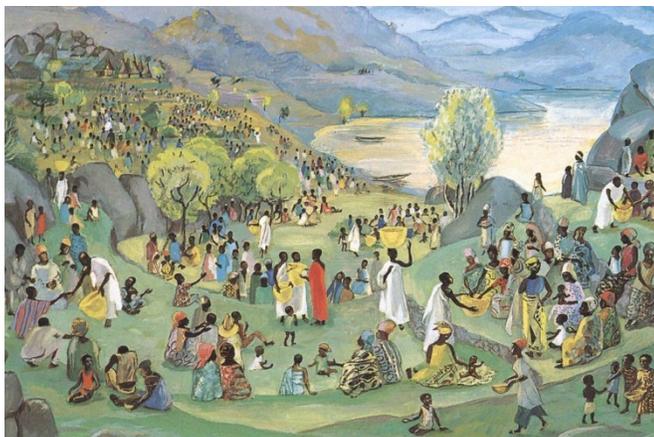


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Jesus multiplies the loaves and fish
By Jesus Mafa

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude

Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele
by Johannes Brahms

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

Welcome & Announcements

Leader: The Lord be with you
All: **And also with you**

* Call to Worship

Leader: When the people of God were hungry;

**People: God rained manna upon them,
and they ate until they were full.**

Leader: When the people of God are hungry,

**People: God calls us to taste the goodness of God's gifts
and to share our bread with one another.**

Leader: Let us worship the One who is the Bread of Life,

All: and watch for a glimpse of the heavenly banquet.

* Gathering Song

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly
Glory to God #509, v. 1-3

* Invitation to Confession

*** Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

**God of abundance,
when the crowds surrounded you,
hungry for bread and for your word,
you took an offering – five loaves, two fish –
and made for them a feast.
And yet; despite your provision
we doubt the abundance of your grace,
we wonder whether there is enough for all,
we hoard the gifts we call ours.**

**Forgive us, O God,
open our hearts to be a more generous people,
empower us to share our lives,
and enlighten us to see the miracles
you work in, through and around us each day.
For you are the giver of grace upon grace,
the one who turns want in plenty.
Amen**

*** Assurance of God's Forgiveness**

Leader: Hear the good news,
hope does not disappoint us,
for God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit, given to us in baptism.
Believe the good news
that through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God – Amen!**

*** Passing The Peace**

Leader: The Lord be with you
People: **And also with you**

Please share the peace of Christ with those around you

*** Song of Praise**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me
Glory to God #582, v. 1-2

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Time with Children

Congregation: May God be with you there
Children: **May God be with you here**

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Exodus 16.9-21

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining."'¹⁰ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The Lord spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God."'

¹³ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."¹⁶ This is what the Lord has commanded: "Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents."'¹⁷ The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. ¹⁸But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. ¹⁹And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning."'²⁰ But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

Anthem

Let Us Break Bread Together

arr. by Patti Brennan

Second Scripture Reading

John 6.1-15

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?"⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?"¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all.¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost."¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Leader: The Word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**

Message

Rev. Mel Smith

Reception of New Members

Barry, Rose, and Blair Rudert

In baptism you were claimed by God,
marked as Christ's own forever,
and joined to his body by the Holy Spirit.
You come to us then, not as strangers

but as siblings in Christ and members of the household of God.
We rejoice that you now desire to join with this congregation of Trinity Presbyterian church
in the worship and mission of God's church.

Hear these words from scripture:
There is one body and one Spirit,
Just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all,
who is above all and through all and in all.

As members of the body of Christ, let us reaffirm the faith
into which we were baptized - please rise in body or spirit:

**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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Welcome to New Members

Let Us Build a House
Glory to God #301, v. 1

Communion

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you**

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: **we lift them up to the Lord**

Leader: Let us give thanks and praise the Lord our God

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Sanctus

Holy, Most Holy Lord (trad. South African)

Glory to God #597, v. 1

Memorial Acclamation

Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen (trad. American)

Glory to God #553, v. 1

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and glory forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Song of Distribution

Taste and See

Glory to God #520, v. 1

Prayer After Communion (unison)

**God of grace,
we give you thanks,
for inviting us to your table,
feeding us with the bread of life
and the cup of blessing,
and for uniting us with the church
in every time and place.
By the power of your Spirit,
equip us to share your love, hope and justice,
with all who hunger and thirst for good news.
This we pray in the name of your son
Jesus Christ, our risen and living Lord.
Amen.**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Offering

Invitation

Offertory

God Has Come to Every Nation

arr. by Michael Bedford

*** Doxology**

We Are an Offering

Glory to God #710, v. 1

Prayer of Dedication

Loving God,
we bring these offerings of our time, talent and treasure,
– receive and multiply them –
may they become good news for all who are hungry
and all who are thirsty.
Amen.

* Song of Service

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ
Glory to God #526, v.1-3

* Commission and Blessing

Postlude

Improv on “Santo, Santo, Santo”

Please join us in the chapel after worship for fellowship!

About the Music:

“Adorn yourself, my lovely soul” proclaims the Lutheran Communion hymn, welcoming everyone out of darkness to join in the banquet Christ has prepared. First found in a hymn book by Johann Crüger, a preeminent writer of Lutheran chorales, Brahms sets the tune to elegantly flowing counterpoint. We reaffirm this welcoming spirit by singing “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly,” with text written specifically for the shape note tune in the hymn.

Given the focus of our World Communion service this year is bread, one of my favorite spirituals, “Let Us Break Bread Together” came immediately to mind. Versions of the song first appeared in print in 1925, first in *The Journal of American Folklore* and then in *Saint Helena Island Spirituals*. The music and text originate amongst the enslaved West African peoples of the Gullah/Geechee culture of the coastal Carolinas and Georgia.

“God Has Come to Every Nation” adapts the Hasidic melody *Yisrael v’oraita* (Israel and the Torah), whose text proclaims the unity of Israel, the Torah, and God, and how the Torah gives light. We sing it here to invite all the world together to experience such illumination. And once gathered, we should not only share bread together, but our abilities and selves, as we join one last time for “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”, a setting of Jamaican folk tune, before the postlude sends us off with an improv on an Argentine rendition of Holy, Holy, Holy.

Participants in Today's Worship

Acolyte – Ben Muegge

Children & Youth Minister – Hannah Peters

Communications Coordinator – Katie Gibbons

Director of Music & Pianist/Organist – Christian Hendricks

Liturgist – Diane O’Brien & Sarah Mayer

Preacher – Rev Mel Smith

Technical Support – Dylan Voss

Ushers – DeAnne & Gordon Brown, Corie & John Merker

The Trinity Choir:

Soprano – Aleta Klein, Cricket Gordon, Jenn Clodi, Madeline Black (Section Leader)

Alto – Margy Brown, Nancy Wagoner, Rachel Presti, Janelle Pierce (Section Leader)

Tenor – Pat Courtney, Evan Babel (Section Leader)

Bass – Nigel Holloway, Brian Schroer

Contact Trinity’s staff and leadership by emailing admin@trinityucity.org or contacting the church office.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES FOR OCTOBER 2, 2022

We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service.

We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.

We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.

It is time to start planning for Advent Bags. This year's bags will contain 4 small wrapped gifts to be opened on each Sunday in Advent. Advent begins on November 27. We are looking for volunteers to make a bag for one of our special members. You will either need to deliver it or mail it so the recipient has it by November 27. Advent booklets will either be added to your bag or mailed. This is such a fun activity for individuals or families and the perfect way to begin Advent. If you would like to volunteer, please call or email me, 314-863-7699, slnork@charter.net. Thank you so much. Sandy Norkaitis

Memorial Service for Do Kirk

Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

Trinity Presbyterian Church

6800 Washington Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63130.

Reception following the service in the Weem's Chapel.

Dolores Jo Kirk - Mom, Gram, Do-Do, Aunt Do, Do – Passed away on January 22, 2022 with her daughters, Kim, Kitty, Jan, and Pam and her grandson, Tim, by her side. At nearly 91 years old, Do lived a very full life. She was greatly loved by her grandchildren, Jennifer, Jeff, Becca, AJ, Ben, Shannon, Megan, Katie, Tim, Molly, and Sami, and great-grandchildren Dylan, Hailey, Ozzie, and Lila.

Mom was a do-er, a peace-maker, a lover of children and nature and fun. A person of strong faith, a believer in action, a teacher. She challenged us to explore and express ideas in new ways and act upon our beliefs. She taught us to be inclusive and to care for each other, especially the least of these. She believed and taught that peace is an action.

An amazing soul, she loved to play. Anything and everything could be a wonderful game, and often became tradition. She taught us to be fair and safe and loving. She instilled strength, drive, and the knowledge that we could do anything. Mom demonstrated the power of service and empathy and made us who we are. Mom was loved by so many and absolutely adored by her grandchildren. We love you Mom and will miss you until we meet again. Please give Poppy three kisses for us. xxx

Bass Section Leader Position

Trinity, under the leadership of Director of Music and Pianist/Organist Christian Hendricks, has a chancel choir that sings almost every week from the end of August to Pentecost right around the start of June. There is one regular service at 10 am on Sunday mornings, and rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:15 pm. At the moment, the only expected service beyond Sundays at which the choir performs is Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols. The choir is mostly volunteer, but we do currently employ sections leaders for the soprano, alto, and tenor sections. See the website for further information.

The Food Pantry uses the local Schnucks store to purchase canned goods and other non-perishables for the pantry. We are taking part in the Schnucks reward program and receive award credits to use as credit against our food pantry purchases. If you shop at Schnucks, you too can add to this by using Trinity's phone number 725-3840 when checking out. The credit will go against future food pantry purchases. The small amounts add up!

Trinity is “broadcasting” our Sunday morning 10 a.m. worship service via our Facebook page or you can watch the recording on YouTube later on. Those who participate in this way on home computers or mobile devices can even type messages to one another during the live service, such as doing a virtual passing of the peace. Also, Facebook has captions! While watching the service, find the gear icon at the bottom of the video and click on it. When you do, an option pops up to turn on closed captioning!

While we live in this challenging time, Trinity continues to be available to all those who need us. Members desiring pastoral care are encouraged to call the church office at 314-725-3840 or to reach out to Deacon Corie Merker, 314-434-8286. Your need will be shared confidentially with our Pastor the Reverend Mel Smith. You also can email her directly at melanie.smith@trinityucity.org

Supporting the church through your financial gifts continues to be encouraged! Please mail your contributions to Trinity Presbyterian Church, Att’n: Linde, 6800 Washington Ave., University City, MO 63130, or check out the online giving instructions below.

- 1) Text the code TPCDONATE \$[your gift] to 73256. You'll receive a text back with a link that lets you complete your online donation.
- 2) Log in to your Onrealm account (onrealm.org) and click on the "Giving" tab.

Session

Diana Gray, Kevin Harkins, Diane Hemphill, Jayne Howard, Jane Kaiser, Mary Klingensmith,
Sarah New Mayer (Clerk), Mary McKown, Bob Parks, Jan Schulte-Glad

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Anna Gardner-Andrews, DeAnne Brown, Stacey Carman, Cricket Gordon, Jennifer Higginbotham,
Corie Merker, John Merker, Jim Person, Art Platt, Christy Schindler