

your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” ²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰ So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?” ³¹ Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’ ” ³² Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” ³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit
SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Now Thank We All Our God* #840

Stand
THE PRAYERS

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After each petition: Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

OFFERING *We Plow the Fields and Scatter* #681

LORD’S PRAYER/ BLESSING

SENDING SONG *For the Fruit of All Creation* #679

DISMISSAL

Go in peace and share God’s abundance.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

... by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving
let your requests be made
known to God.

Philippians 4:6. NRSV



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Reader...Leah C Music...Cindy H

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Stand GATHERING

Blessed be the holy Trinity + one God, who creates, redeems and renews the face of the earth. **Amen**

GATHERING LITANY: Psalm 100 (*read responsively*)

¹ Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands;
serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence
with a song.

² **Know this: The LORD himself is God;
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

³ Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his name.

⁴ **For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

ENTRANCE HYMN *Sing to the Lord of Harvest* #694

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Sit

FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

¹ “When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, ² you shall take

some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.’ ⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵ you shall make this response before the LORD your God: ‘A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷ we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸ The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.’ You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON: Philippians 4:4-9

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: John 6:25-35

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ When the disciples found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate