



June 6, 2021
2nd Sunday of Pentecost

Hearts
Aflame



Worship Participants

Preaching Today: Pastor Meredith McGrath
Assisting Minister: Pastor Lamont Koerner
Organist/Pianist: Brian Voss
Reader: Lynne Moratzka

God has broken the yoke of slavery and set the people free. Jesus speaks to his disciples of a different kind of yoke. A band of love that binds us all together. We are reminded today that from the waters of our baptism and through every milestone of our life's journey God walks with us. We are bound through Christ in the love of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of the world.

Prelude

Welcome

Ringling of the Bells

Hymn: *ELW 423 Shall We Gather at the River, verses 1 & 3*

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,
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.**

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

Loving God, you call us into life and clothe us with your promises. You prepare a way for us and invite us to walk it with you. Creator, companion, guide, we give you thanks for surrounding us with your presence from our first breath, to our first steps, and throughout the journey of our lives. **Amen.**

Recognition of 2021 Graduates

Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Gospel: Matthew 11:28-30

Sermon

Hymn: *ELW 611 - I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say, verses 1 & 3*

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offering Prayer

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. **Amen.**

Communion - Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Table Blessing/Prayer

Blessing and Sending

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

CONGRATULATIONS to Elim graduates: Grace Ackerman, Ben Anderson, Sam Anderson, Lauren Deeb, Mason Devine, Cameron Keeney, Jackson Maas, Emma Newcomb, Zoe Scholl, Morgan Slowinski

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is being received this morning by Maverick Jace Hoechst, son of Jason & Robyn. Sponsors for Maverick are Sandra Warter, Tammy Westerhaus, Roxanne Frolik.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is being received this morning by Camden Michael Thomas and Levi Douglas Thomas, sons of Scott & Laurel. Sponsors for Camden are Joshua & Jessica Sulla. Sponsors for Levi are Erik & Darby Thomas. (Baptism is following the 9:30 service.)

For readings, refer to your Bible or use an online Bible source, such as [Bible Gateway](https://www.biblegateway.com/). [NOTE: The New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) is used.]