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PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Merciful God,

Cong: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Pastor: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. We are free to love as God loves.

Cong: Amen.

<u>HYMN</u>

Beauty for brokenness......W&P #17

 Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair: Lord in the suffering this is our prayer. Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace; Sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase.

Refrain:

God of the poor, friend of the weak, Give us compassion we pray; Melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain. Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.

- Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills, Work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills; Land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak, Voices to plead the cause of those who can't speak.
- Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear, Cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share; Peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green, Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

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GREETING

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

Cong: And also with you.

Refrain

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray....

All: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 23: 23-29 Psalm 82 Hebrews 11:29, 12:2

Lessons conclusion response: Thanks be to God.

Luke 12: 49-56

Gospel announcement response: Glory to you, O Lord. Gospel conclusion response: Praise to you, O Christ.

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Let Us Break Bread Together.....LBW #212

- Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.
- Let us drink wine together on our knees;
 Let us drink wine together on our knees.
 When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
 O Lord, have mercy on me.
- Let us praise God together on our knees;
 Let us praise God together on our knees.
 When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,
 O Lord, have mercy on me.

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

Pastor: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

Each petition ends with "Merciful God, " **The response is "Receive our prayer**"

Pastor: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love, through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

Cong: Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us Pray....

All: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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; lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Cong: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Let us pray...

All: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

Pastor: The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

Cong: Amen.

GO FORTH IN SONG

Pastor: Go in peace. Love our neighbors.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN

Faith of Our Fathers.....LBW #500

Faith of our fathers, living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
 Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word.

Refrain:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to thee till death.

2. The martyrs, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free; And blest would be their children's fate if they, like them, should die for thee.

Refrain

3. Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in all our strife; Proclaim thee, too, as love knows how, by saving Word and faithful life.

Refrain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's **Flowers** are given by Olive Shannon in memory of Bill Shannon.

Today's **Bulletins** are given by Patty & Rich Avery in memory of George Gordon & Richard C. Avery.

Adult Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 7 PM in the lounge.

Senior Adult Group Will meet for lunch This Wednesday, August 17th 12 Noon at the Grand Valley Inn. Please see Regina Blinn 724-843-7707 for more information/sign-up.

