Hearing God's Call to Become Community

Prelude **"Spirit"** **# 249**

Welcome and Announcements

***Hymn of Gathering** **"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"** **# 67**

1. Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

2. Under the shadow of thy throne still may we dwell secure, sufficient is thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.

4. A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone; short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

6. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

Seeking God's Mercy and Pardon

*Responsive Call to Worship ***Psalm 84: 1-5, 10-12*** 8:30am- Dean Eslinger
10:30am- Roy McLellan

L: How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

C: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.

L: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

C: Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

L: Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

C: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.

L: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor. No good thing does the LORD withhold from those who walk uprightly.

ALL*: O LORD of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.*

Proclaiming and Hearing the Word

"Blessings of the Backpacks" Rev. Schwartz
The Text *John 6:56-69* (NRSV)
Message "Jesus Saves: Holy One of God" Rev. Schwartz

Time for Giving

Call for Our Offerings 8:30am- Dean Eslinger
10:30am- Roy McLellan

Doxology "**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**" **# 46**

*Prayer of Dedication

Receiving the Visible and Tangible Signs of God's Grace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational/Pastoral Prayer
Communion Meditation and Invitation 8:30am- Rev Schwartz
10:30am- Roy McLellan

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 the glory, forever. Amen

Communion Hymn: **"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"** **# 429**

Departing to Serve Where God Leads

Closing Hymn **"Take My Life"** **# 609**

1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

3. Take my voice, and let me sing; unto God my praise I bring. Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

4. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I with-hold; Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose, every power as thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself and I will be ever, only all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

*Benediction Rev. Schwartz

Postlude **"Wonderful Words of Life"** **# 323**

August 22, 2021 **Thirteenth Sunday in Pentecost**
Liturgical Color: Green

John 6: 56-69 (NRSV)

56 Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. 57 Just as the
living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live
because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your
ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." 59 He said
these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

60 When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can
accept it?" 61 But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to
them, "Does this offend you? 62 Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to
where he was before? 63 It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I
have spoken to you are spirit and life. 64 But among you there are some who do not
believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who
was the one that would betray him. 65 And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no
one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father."

66 Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him.
67 So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" 68 Simon Peter answered
him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to
believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

L: These are Words from the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

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Sunday, Agust 22, 2021 ✠ 8:30 & 10:30a.m.

Welcome! May your Journey of Faith be encouraged while you seek God here today.