

Faith Lutheran Church Andover, MA

May each person feel **invited** to this community,
equipped to use their gifts to the Glory of God,
and **sent** to serve.

Sunday, August 6, 10:00 AM



"And all ate and
were filled."

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**To all who join us in worship online or in person,
you are welcome here!**

We invite you to share the sacrament of holy communion with us. If you are worshipping online, please prepare by having a piece of bread or cracker and a cup of wine, grape juice, or water at your side. If you are worshipping in person, you will be invited to come forward around the communion table to receive the sacrament.

“Busy bags” are available for all non-school-aged children to help keep them occupied during worship. These are hanging on the back of the last pew, so please help yourself to one on your way into the service. Kindly return to the same location when the service is over.

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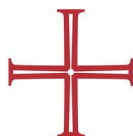
If you would like to be added to our weekly email list, which shares upcoming events and activities, sign up on our website: www.faith-andover.org.

For **pastoral care needs or to chat**, contact Pastor Jen at 978-806-8255 or email jen@faith-andover.org or drop in at Caffè Nero in Andover on Wednesdays between 10:00 AM and Noon.

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Welcome!

We pray this time enriches your spiritual life.



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Praise and Thanksgiving - Irish folk melody, arr. John Turner
[Abby Schoppe, piano]

WELCOME

The assembly stands as able.

GATHERING SONG Blessed Be Your Name [Rock of Ages]

GREETING WITH PEACE

Where do you like to picnic (if at all?)

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather this day in hope.

ALL: We wait for God's word for us.

Let our hearts and spirits be open.

ALL: God is our strength and salvation.

We wait patiently for the Lord.

ALL: With willing hearts and spirits we wait for the Lord. AMEN.

KYRIE Kyrie eleison, W&P 81

Refrain

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Last time

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the
2 That we may live out your im -
3 For peace in our hearts, for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you



health of the church, for the u - ni - ty of all;
passioned re - sponse to the hun - gry and the poor;
peace in our homes, for friends and fam - i - ly;
cen - ter our lives in the wa - ter and the word;



for this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,
that we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,
for life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
that you nour - ish our souls . . . with your bo - dy and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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OPENING PRAYER

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ALL: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING.....Isaiah 55:1-5

A reading from Isaiah.

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts,
 come to the waters;
 and you that have no money,
 come, buy and eat!
 Come, buy wine and milk
 without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
 and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
 Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
 and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;
 listen, so that you may live.
 I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
 my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
 a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
 because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
 for he has glorified you.

Word of God, word of life.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATIONAlleluia! Lord and Savior, ELW S205a



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING.....Matthew 14:13-21

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The gospel of the Lord.

ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON.....Rev. Mark Peterson

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY Break Now the Bread of Life, ELW 515

APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

You gather your church together by the Holy Spirit. Inspire all the baptized to proclaim your abundant love throughout the world. Guide us in the mission of the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

You cherish your creation, from the smallest microbe to the largest mountain. Protect fragile ecosystems, send favorable weather, supply food and water to nourish creatures, and raise us up to care for all you have created. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

You desire peace and justice in the world. Instill within all political leaders your desire, support the work of international peace organizations, and provide relief for those in the midst of conflict, especially in Niger, Ukraine, and Sudan. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

You comfort those who are hurting. Accompany those who are alone, heal those who are sick, provide for all who hunger or thirst, console the bereaved, bring joy to the sorrowful, and attend to all who call on you especially Katie, Ed, Andrew, Laine and Drew, Roland, Ken, Phil , and James. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

You place us within communities for mutual support and love. We give thanks for the mutual ministry provided by Clare and William Wood and we ask your blessing upon them as they leave our community. Give them traveling mercies as they move to Maryland and open up opportunities of love and service for them in their new home. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

For the celebrations and concerns named by this community today (...). Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

ALL: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

RECEIVING OF OFFERINGS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Gifts may be made with cash, check, or online <https://tinyurl.com/fnem2ht6>



OFFERTORYI Cannot Tell How He, Whom Angels Worship - Irish folk melody,
arr. William W. Wood [William Wood, baritone]

OFFERING PRAYER

The assembly stands as able.

God of field and forest, sea and sky,
you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,
and multiply your graciousness in us,
that the world may be fed with your love,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

**ALL: we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Righteous God,

**ALL: we confess that we have sinned.
We have failed to be honest.
We have lacked the courage to speak.
We have spoken falsely.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.
God offers boundless grace when we fail.
Claim the gift of God's mercy:
you are freed and forgiven
in the name of ✝ Jesus Christ.

ALL: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

The preface is a prayer spoken by the presiding minister to introduce the thanksgiving – we might think of it as saying grace before the meal.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS..... Holy Is the Lord [Rock of Ages]

*Holy is the Lord. Holy is the Lord. As we bow before your throne,
Majesty and honor to you alone. Majesty and honor to you alone.*

*Worthy are you, Lord. Worthy are you, Lord. Sweet Lamb of God, the chosen One.
Our lives we gladly lay before your throne. Our lives we gladly lay before your throne.*

*No longer will we give our hearts to the things of this world
For a debt of love we will offer to you.*

We look for the day when every knee will bow.

We will join with the angels around your throne, and we will sing!

Holy is the Lord. Holy is the Lord. Holy is the Lord. Holy is the Lord.

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**ALL: 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;
and 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

The assembly is seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

At this time, those gathered at home may share the elements of bread and wine that you have at your home communion table.

Those gathered in person will be invited to come forward at the direction of an usher and kneel or stand around the communion table. You will be given a wafer (gluten-free are also available) by the pastor, which you may then consume. An assisting minister will invite you to take a pre-filled cup of white wine or red grape juice, which you may then consume before returning to your seat.

If you prefer to stay at your seat and have the pastor bring you communion, please let an usher know.

COMMUNION..... O Lamb of God, ELW S208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION SONG Oh, Give Thanks [Rock of Ages]

The assembly stands as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, generous God,
for the refreshment we have received
at your banquet table.
Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,
through the one who is our dearest treasure,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos
and speaks in the smallest seed
✠ bless, keep, and sustain you
now and to the end of the age.

ALL: Amen.

SENDING HYMN..... Praise and Thanksgiving, ELW 689

The assembly is seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE..... Voluntary - John James [Abby Schoppe, organ]



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PRAYER LIST

for Katie Ross,

for Ed Karp,

for Kate Robinson's nephew Andrew and his parents, Laine and Drew,

for Roland Jacobson,

for the Rohr family, especially Ken,

for Phil Liaboe and James Lino.

We are a praying congregation. In order to keep our prayer list current,
please let us know of any additions or changes by email to prayers@faith-andover.org.

We will pray in worship for 3 weeks, unless you tell us otherwise.

Assisting in Worship Today

Presider/Preacher: Rev. Mark Peterson

Assisting Minister: David Kettner

Reader: Karla Buffington

Acolytes: Laney Khiev and Anna Robinson

Director of Music: Abby Schoppe

Praise Band Leader: Ingrid Marstaller

Praise Band Members include:

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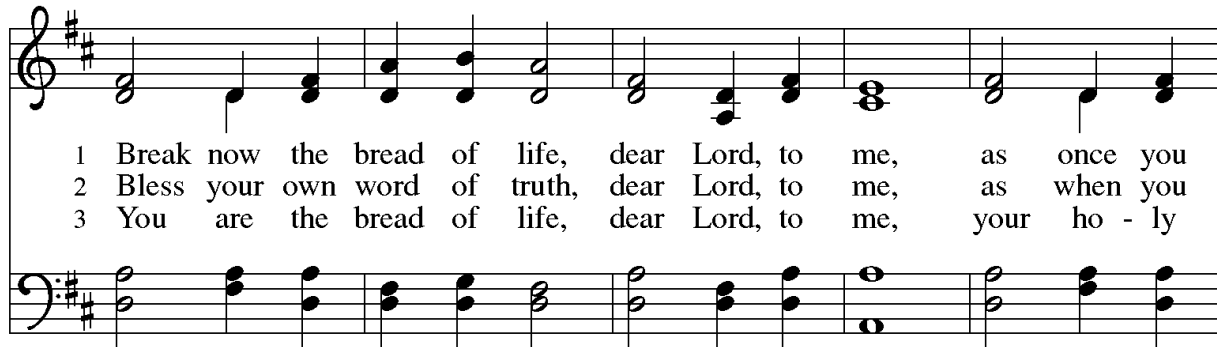
Tammy Skwierczynski, Rebecca Zammuto

Altar Care: Caroline D'Agostino, Suzanne Neuman

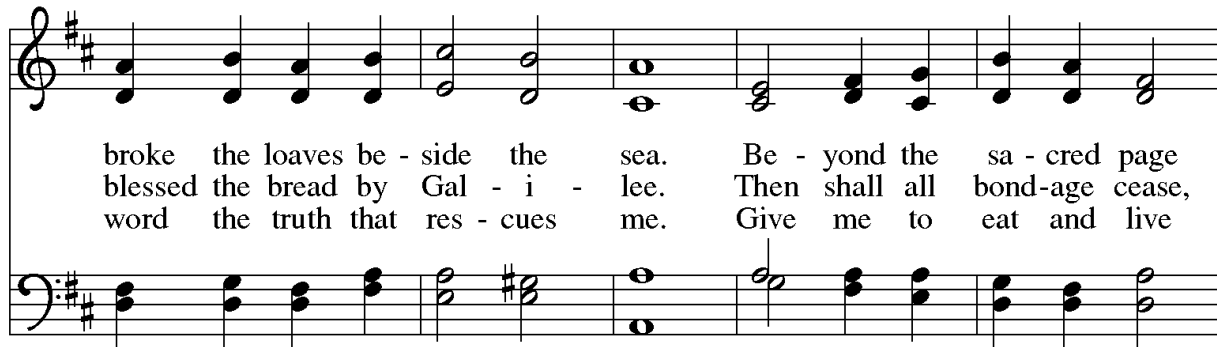
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Blessed Be Your Name

- Verse 1:* Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow; blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness; blessed be your name.
- Bridge:* Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
- Chorus 1:* "Blessed be the name of the Lord; blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord; blessed be your glorious name."
- Verse 2:* Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's "all as it should be;" blessed be your name.
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering; blessed be your name.
- Bridge:* Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
- Chorus 1:* "Blessed be the name of the Lord; blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord; blessed be your glorious name."
- Chorus 2:* You'll never leave my side; your love will never change.
In you I will abide, and bless your holy name.
- Bridge:* Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
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1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you
2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you
3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, your ho - ly



broke the loaves be - side the sea. Be - yond the sa - cred page
blessed the bread by Gal - i - lee. Then shall all bond-age cease,
word the truth that res - cues me. Give me to eat and live



I seek you, Lord; my spir - it waits for you, O liv - ing Word.
all fet - ters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All - in - All!
with you a - bove; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

Text: Mary A. Lathbury, 1841-1913, alt.
Music: BREAD OF LIFE, William F. Sherwin, 1826-1888

Change My Heart, O God.....ELW 801



Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.



Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

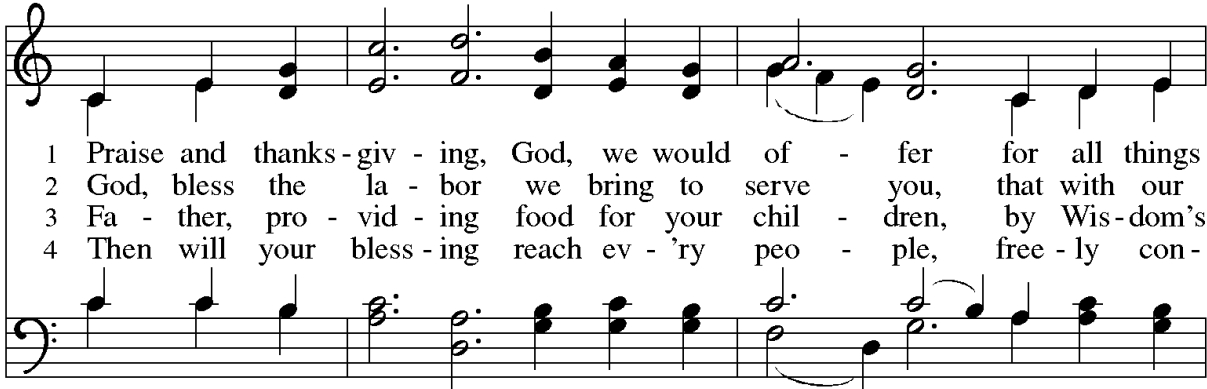


You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.



Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

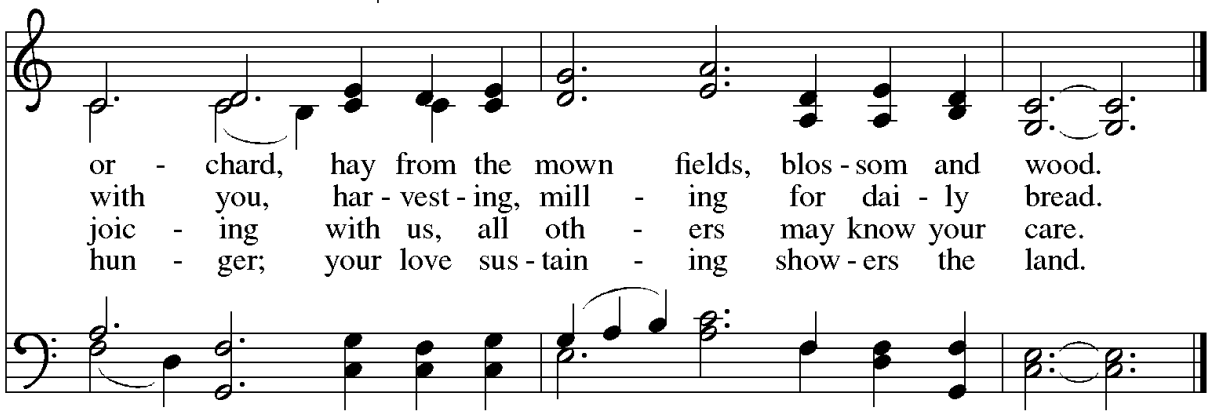
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1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
 neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
 guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
 fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
 with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
 joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
 hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

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