**Worship Service for 5/14/2023**

**Welcome!** It’s so good to have everyone with us today both in person, online, and through reading the transcripts.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** - Don’t forget to check the signup sheet out on the table for those who would be willing to help with setting up for fellowship time. Larissa and Brett have been preparing this and cleaning up after, but they need some help. Please help where you can with making coffee, providing breakfast type items, and cleaning up. Fellowship is now going to be a regular part of our Sunday morning between Sunday School and Worship. –Remember the mission project for MidWest Mission Distribution Center. We are collecting Personal Dignity Kits this year instead of Flood Bucket. Assembled in a gallon sized Ziploc bag; a hand towel, washcloth, soap, toothbrush, deodorant, shampoo, and $2 for a razor and toothpaste to be purchased by the center. Please bring these bags to the church, and place them in the provided box in the Narthex. They will be labeled with the sticker saying that they are sealed with prayers from the Rittman United Methodist Church. Also, monetary gifts can be given for the Center to use as needed as well. Just mark those donations when placing them in the offering plate. All of these gifts are due by Sunday, June 4th and will all be delivered by Pastor Ruthie, Betty Winchell & Mary Winkler when they attend Annual Conference in June. You have 3 weeks to get these in. -Becky has returned to work, and is currently catching up with Larissa’s help. -We received our certificates for paying 100% of our 2022 District and Conference apportionments. Rittman UMC is 1 of only 24 churches within Canal District who paid 100% to the Conference and 1 of only 47 who paid 100% to the Canal District. -Larissa’s competition begins again on [www.yougodsmusic.com](http://www.yougodsmusic.com) on May 20th – June 4th for Round 2. It will be the top 25 out of the 50 who won Round 1. -Chad announced that we will be having a bonfire at the shelter area Saturday at 6:00. Bring your chairs and food to share to enjoy the fellowship together.

### Our Call to Worship is “Let Everything that Has Breath.” (By Matt Redman) Chorus - Let ev'rything that, Ev'rything that, Ev'rything that has breath Praise the Lord! Let ev'rything that, Ev'rything that, Ev'rything that has breath Praise the Lord! Verse 1 - Praise You in the morning. Praise You in the evening. Praise You when I'm young And when I'm old. Praise You when I'm laughing. Praise You when I'm grieving. Praise You ev'ry season of the soul. Bridge - If we (they) could see How much You're worth; Your pow'r, Your might, Your endless love, Then surely we would Never cease to praise Chorus. Verse 2 - Praise You in the heavens Joining with the angels Praising You forever and a day Praise You on the earth now Joining with creation Calling all the nations to Your praise. Bridge, Chorus, Chorus. CCLI Song # 2430979 © 1997 Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) *For use solely with the Song Select®*[*Terms of Use*](https://songselect.ccli.com/about/termsofuse)*. All rights reserved.*[*www.ccli.com*](http://www.ccli.com/)CCLI License # 1694213

**Let’s pray as we bring in the Light of Christ.** “Light of Christ, shine on our path. Chase away all darkness. Illuminate our pathways. And Lead us to the heart of God.” Amen

**Our next song is “Great Are You, Lord.”** (By David Leonard, Jason Ingram & Leslie Jordan) **Verse -** You give life! You are love! You bring light to the darkness! You give hope! You restore ev'ry heart that is broken, And great are You, Lord! **Chorus -** It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise. We pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our lungs, So we pour out our praise to You only! **Verse, Chorus, Chorus, Bridge -** And all the earth will shout Your praise**!** Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing, “Great are You, Lord!” **(REPEAT) Chorus, Chorus.** CCLI Song # 6460220 © 2012 Open Hands Music (Admin. by Essential Music Publishing LLC) So Essential Tunes (Admin. by Essential Music Publishing LLC) Integrity's Praise! Music (Admin. by Integrity Music) Little Way Creative (Admin. by Integrity Music) *For use solely with the Song Select®*[*Terms of Use*](https://songselect.ccli.com/about/termsofuse)*. All rights reserved.*[*www.ccli.com*](http://www.ccli.com/)CCLI License # 1694213

### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: Do you know that God gives us gifts so we can share Jesus with others?... What kind of gifts do you think He gives us?... He gives us the gift of Love, so we can love everyone; of knowledge, so we learn all about Him to share that with others; of strength, so we are able to be strong enough to do whatever He wants us to do; of wisdom, so we know what to say, how to say it, and who to say it to. Do you know that we also have actual things that we can use to share God and Jesus with others?... We have the Bible to know God’s Word, and so we can actually show someone His words. We have things that stand for the things of God. One of the things I have was just given to me thank me for helping with a ministry. It’s a necklace with many colors and each color represents something about Godly things. Gold represents heaven with streets of gold. Black represents our sins. Red represents the Blood of Christ. White represents our forgiveness. Blue represents the Gift of the Holy Spirit. Green is the promise of Eternal Life. So think about the things that help you to share Jesus with others and use those to help you. Let’s pray… Dear God, We thank You for the gifts that You give us to make it possible for us to share You and Jesus with others. And we thank You for this church family that we are able to work together for You, and to teach and encourage each other to be Your Church.

**As we come to the time of tithes and offerings**, the offering will be collected in the pews. As the ushers come forward, please remember what the Lord has placed on your hearts to give …Thank you for all you have given today and through the past week. **Let’s pray,** as we dedicate the tithes and offerings that have been given this week... Holy God and author of our existence; our story is part of a greater story, and Your hand is visible on every page and every scene. So our stories cannot be disconnected from those in the past who have shaped the steps we take. They are part of our story as we are part of theirs. As we offer gifts this day, we pray they might be used to strengthen the story of faith that we share as well as the story of faith that will be told by those who will come after we are gone. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen. **Stand as you are able and praise our God for our many blessings, as we sing the Doxology;** “Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen”

**As we have come to our time of Joys & Concerns:** **Joys:** -It is an answer to our prayers that Becky has recovered from her fall. -Herb shared that it is a joy that he went to Family Dollar to purchase items for a Personal Dignity Kit and found the amount to be exactly $11. -Lee wished everyone a Happy Mother’s Day. Mothers are truly a gift from God. -Bruce shared that their granddaughter arrived safely in Tacoma, Washington for her next assignment. -Betty thanked everyone who supported and attended the Revival services. It was a wonderful event and the Love gifts were great! -Sheila shared that Julie had a successful surgery and is recovering well. She is still needing prayer. **Concerns: -**Continued prayers for Rae (Marinello) Smith’s family and friends. She had decided that she did not want any services or an obituary.-Brenda is having knee replacement surgery tomorrow in Medina and then going to Columbus with her girls to recovery (She did well). -Connie Baillis and family, her grandmother Maxine Sommerfedt passed away. -Claire still needs prayers. She has been having some complications but is still improving. –Traveling mercies for our many travelers. – Several unspoken requests **Let’s pray as we take all of these joys and concerns to the Lord:** Heavenly Father, Thank You for your many blessings, especially for those we shared with You today both spoken and unspoken. You are gracious and give us so much. Thank You for these many, many blessings! Lord, for the concerns on our hearts; for the families and friends who are missing loved ones, we ask for a special touch on their lives, helping them to feel your presence with them, and to give them comfort and peace. Lord, for healing we ask for Brenda and Claire, and Melissa who is dealing with a torn meniscus. Please be with the doctors as they attend each one guiding their hands and minds. We also bring the travelers for Your hedge of protection around each and every one of them as they go and return home. Lord, we pray for all spoken and unspoken request as You know the needs of each one as You address those according to Your will. We pray all of this in the name of Jesus, as we continue to pray the prayer He has taught us by saying… 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, Amen.

**Our song of preparation is** **UMH #393 “Spirit of the Living God”** (By Daniel Iverson) Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me. CCLI Song # 23488 © Words: 1935. Renewed 1963 Birdwing Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) Music: 1935. Renewed 1963 Birdwing Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) *For use solely with the Song Select®*[*Terms of Use*](https://songselect.ccli.com/about/termsofuse)*. All rights reserved.*[*www.ccli.com*](http://www.ccli.com/)CCLI License # 1694213

**Our SCRIPTURE LESSON** comes from **Numbers 11:24-30 & 1st Corinthians 12:1-13. I’m reading from verses 16-30 in Numbers 11 to give what led up to the events in verses 24-30.** The Lord said to Moses, “Gather before me seventy men from Israel’s elders, whom you know as elders and officers of the people. Take them to the meeting tent, and let them stand there with you. **17**Then I’ll descend and speak with you there. I’ll take some of the spirit that is on you and place it on them. Then they will carry the burden of the people with you so that you won’t bear it alone. **18**To the people you will say, ‘Make yourselves holy for tomorrow; then you will eat meat, for you’ve cried in the Lord’s hearing, “Who will give us meat to eat? It was better for us in Egypt.” The Lord will give you meat, and you will eat. **19**You won’t eat for just one day, or two days, or five days, or ten days, or twenty days, **20**but for a whole month until it comes out of your nostrils and nauseates you. You’ve rejected the Lord who’s been with you and you have cried before him, saying, ‘Why did we leave Egypt?’” **21**Moses said, “The people I’m with are six hundred thousand on foot and you’re saying, ‘I will give them meat, and they will eat for a month.’ **22**Can flocks and herds be found and slaughtered for them? Or can all the fish in the sea be found and caught for them?” **23**The Lord said to Moses, “Is the Lord’s power too weak? Now you will see whether my word will come true for you or not.” **24**So Moses went out and told the people the Lord’s words. He assembled seventy men from the people’s elders and placed them around the tent. **25**The Lord descended in a cloud, spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and placed it on the seventy elders. When the spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but only this once. **26**Two men had remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the second named Medad, and the spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they hadn’t gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. **27**A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” **28**Joshua, Nun’s son and Moses’ assistant since his youth, responded, “My master Moses, stop them!” **29**Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? If only all the Lord’s people were prophets with the Lord placing his spirit on them!” **30**Moses and Israel’s elders were assembled in the camp.

**1st Corinthians 12:1-13** tells us about the Holy Spirits interaction in our lives. Hear Paul’s teaching, Brothers and sisters, I don’t want you to be ignorant about spiritual gifts. **2**You know that when you were Gentiles you were often misled by false gods that can’t even speak. **3**So I want to make it clear to you that no one says, “Jesus is cursed!” when speaking by God’s Spirit, and no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit. **4**There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; **5**and there are different ministries and the same Lord; **6**and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. **7**A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good. **8**A word of wisdom is given by the Spirit to one person, a word of knowledge to another according to the same Spirit, **9**faith to still another by the same Spirit, gifts of healing to another in the one Spirit, **10**performance of miracles to another, prophecy to another, the ability to tell spirits apart to another, different kinds of tongues to another, and the interpretation of the tongues to another. **11**All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit who gives what he wants to each person. **12**Christ is just like the human body—a body is a unit and has many parts; and all the parts of the body are one body, even though there are many. **13**We were all baptized by one Spirit into one body, whether Jew or Greek, or slave or free, and we all were given one Spirit to drink. **The Word of God for the people of God. Praise be to God!**

### MESSAGE: Our message today is on the Breath of God, but you may be thinking that it’s not Pentecost yet. We are in anticipation of Pentecost. At one point it was kind of weird because I looked at the lectionary and when I clicked on it Numbers 11 came up, and it also had Acts 2. I was thinking, but those are scriptures for Pentecost. So, I went back and looked again, and I’m not sure what the Holy Spirit was doing with all of this, but it was today’s date when I double and triple checked it. Then I went and checked Pentecost Sunday and it had Acts 2, but not Numbers. Well, I knew that this was the scripture that was supposed to be used today. SO, I went ahead and did all of the message information and the rest of the service planning and prep. When I went in later in the week to copy and paste the scripture passages from the lectionary page, Numbers 11 wasn’t there, and neither was 1st Corinthians 12 wasn’t there on today’s date! But Numbers 11 wasn’t on any of the lectionary listings for these 3 weeks. So, I said, “Ok, Lord, something is going on!” He has a message for us! I’m letting God decide what you are going to hear today, because I’m clueless. I’ve got some slides that He led me to, so listen closely because we don’t know the message that God has for us. The Breath of God comes upon each and every one of us. Without the Breath of God we would not be alive. When we look back at Adam, that’s what brought life into his body, God’s Breath, the Holy Spirit. And yes we know that the Holy Spirit comes upon those who believe in Jesus, but it is also the Breath of God that brings us life, and continues to bring us life. We hear voices from the past are for the days that are ahead of us. Voices of the past! So many times we hear that we should do away with the Old Testament because we don’t have to listen to what’s back there. But we know that’s not true! The Bible is One Book joined together with One Message! And the New Testament sometimes looks back at the Old Testament to give us a message of review again. And it’s important to listen to voices of past prophets, and past godly people. As we look at Moses and the Israelite people, I was just going to read the verses that are listed but then when looking back at the whole chapter of Numbers 11 I thought that we need to have more. We need to hear what’s been going on before the other verses. We know that the Israelites were grumblers! We know that they complained about everything! They complained when they didn’t have enough water, when they didn’t have enough meat. They decided that they were better back in Egypt where they complained about everything there too. So, do you think God was happy to hear all the grumbling? He had been doing what was best for them all along, and He finally now has promised meat. But something had to come first. He took Moses and had him bring 70 elders

To join with him outside of the camp to prophesy to all, but God did something first. He took part of the spirit that was on Moses and took it and put it on the 70 men with Moses. They were told to share the prophecy that Moses had been given to share with the people. Why couldn’t Moses do it all? If you heard, there were 600,000 people, who had all come out of Egypt. So God split the job around, so that these men could all go out and prophesy to the people by sharing in Moses’ work. Did they continue prophesying after that time? No, it was a one-time thing. What we get from this is that sometimes when the Spirit comes upon us to give us a job for God, sometimes it’s just a one-time thing. Sometimes it’s more than that. Sometimes it goes further along. We have to be discerning for ourselves and for others to know if it is a one-time thing or something that is ongoing. But it all comes through the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Those gifts come from God and it is God who chooses for each of us. Each one who was chosen by God was given the Holy Spirit. And when receiving the Holy Spirit, they each used that gift to do God’s bidding. More people doing the work makes the workload lighter! But something else happened while Moses and the 70 elders were spreading the message outside of the camp. Inside of the camp, something else was happening! God also came upon 2 other men back in the camp. These 2 men were supposed to be outside with the other men. It sounds like there were only 68 who followed Moses and the other 2 stayed within the camp. God knew what they were doing, and the Holy Spirit had landed on them as well. Eldad and Medad prophesied the same message to the ones left behind in the camp. Did the leaders like that when they heard what was happening?... No, they thought these men weren’t doing what they were supposed to be doing. But Eldad and Medad were meant to do what they did. And Moses knew that too. He knew that they were part of the 70, but the others that that they were trying to take away Moses’ job. Moses was told to make these 2 men to stop. But the 2 were doing what they were meant to do, but only they and Moses understood that. Moses told the others that they weren’t supposed to be taking offense for Moses, they were supposed to be listening to those prophesying. In that, they were prophets for one time only! A question that many have asked is this… How does God distribute spiritual gifts?...Many of us who have been involved in the church know the answer to this. Where do we get our spiritual gifts from God from?... The Holy Spirit gives them to us, but how? The Holy Spirit fills us! We hear the song, “Fill My Cup, Lord.” The cup is ourselves, our souls. He is filling us to overflowing, and the reason it is to overflow is because we are supposed to be giving that out. If He doesn’t give us more that what we need then we fail to give it out. We fail to share it! Yes, it is the Holy Spirit who gives us what we need. We have also heard before that the gifts we receive from God are all different. Some of us have gifts of wisdom, some gifts of knowledge, some gifts of understanding, and so many more. One of the important gifts is being able to tell a false spirit from a true spirit. Also, being able to tell when a person is being called by God even if they haven’t realized it yet themselves. We each have different kinds of gifts, but they come from 1 God. One gift that we all receive if the gift of love. WE also all get the gift of knowledge, some in some ways and some in others. Some have a gift of being able to memorize scripture and some do not. And there is nothing wrong with not being able to. It just depends on what gifts you have been given. We shouldn’t get upset by not being able to do some things. I used to beat myself up because I couldn’t memorize scripture. My husband has no problem with this, he has it right off of his tongue, he knows it. I’ve not been able to do that, and it finally came to me that it’s not one of my gifts. I don’t need that, because I have it in my hand, I can pull it up, I know where to find it. Some of us have certain gifts and some of us don’t, and we shouldn’t be upset when we don’t have certain gifts. God knows what we need! One that we all receive is the gift of love. We all need it! God loves each and every one of us! God is love! And the Holy Spirit fills us with that love, so that we are able to pour that love out of us to others in His name. A very important thing to remember is that we are the Church, but the Church is not individual or individuals. This is not an entity of itself. We currently are part of the United Methodist denomination. All of the churches of the United Methodist Church are not an entity of themselves. We are part of THE Church, Christ’s Church. We are part of United Methodist, Baptist, Christian, Church of Christ, Catholic, and so many others, including independents and nondenominational. We were talking the other day about nondenominational, which aren’t individual either because some have become satellite churches, which has caused them to become a denomination in themselves. We need to stop worrying about what part of Christ’s Church we are and realize that we are a part of Christ’s Church and that’s what matters! That’s what matters! It doesn’t matter what denomination we are! It matters Whose we are, and what we do in that! We are God’s children, and we are Christ’s Church! And our mission is to make more disciples for Him! And if we are constantly talking about divisions and constantly saying that we need to separate from this part to be this part, it doesn’t help, because people look at the negative and think, “I don’t want to be part of that!” All that matters is our love, and the fact that we are Christ’s. And that we are His Church! And that we are doing what we are called to be doing! Because we are not on this journey alone! We never have been, and we never will be! We are with Christ, and He is with us, if we are staying close to Him and if we have given our whole lives to Him! If we haven’t given our whole lives to Him, we continue to sin. We continue to step out and continue to think, “Oh, He’s going to save me!” Well, I’m sorry, but the message is that you **can** give your salvation away. Nothing can **take** it away from you, but you can **give** it away! Nothing will ever take you away from God’s love, because God loves us regardless, even when we sin, but He doesn’t like what we do and He is going to discipline us when we continue to step out and then say, “Oh, I just couldn’t help it!” If we give ourselves to Christ, He’s going to help it! He’s going to keep that temptation away from you, or at least help you to fight it! There are so many things that we have to realize and to know that if you want Christ for eternity, if you want to be with God for eternity, it is important to know that we can give our salvation away. Another thing that is coming to mind is the fact that we need to realize when something happens in a split second that isn’t good, like hitting your hand when you’re working or something similar to that, and our response to that is a cuss word or something else that isn’t godly, then hope close are we truly to the Lord? I used to be guilty of that, but the other day I was walking around my car and I tripped and went down hitting my elbow on the concrete, and my response was “Ouch! Oh, God help me!” In the past when I did something like that, and many of you know that I’m doppy so it has happened a lot, I would have had a swear word or more spewing out of my mouth. And I looked back to the day recently and realized that I’ve changed for the better and my reaction was godly. But how many of you have hurt yourself or had something negative happen and your reaction was not so godly? This helps us to know where we stand with Christ, because what comes out of our mouths reveals what is in our hearts. If something comes out of your mouths that is ungodly, it is something that you need to be working on. And I’m not saying that I’m where I need to be all the time, because there are still times that things aren’t quite right. But I know that every day is closer to Christ and every day I’m working on that. And that’s what we all have to do personally as we let the Spirit fall on us. We are working and waiting for Pentecost! It is 2 weeks away! It’s my special day, many of you know how much I love Pentecost, the day the Holy Spirit came upon His people! There is nothing wrong with us remembering Pentecost every day, just like we remember Easter and Christmas every day! Every day we should be waiting for Pentecost, waiting for the Holy Spirit to infiltrate and fill us to the point of overflowing so that nothing else can get inside, that Satan has no control over us anymore! It can happen! We can give ourselves fully to God. As we come to the time of Holy Communion, it is a time to look at ourselves and see where we are with Christ. Let’s Pray…Dear Lord, We come to You, and I thank You for Your message, because once again You did it. It was definitely Your Words, Lord, and You speak to me so clearly. Lord, as we pray together help us to know that You are speaking to each one of us. Come to You and fill us with Your Spirit to overflowing, and help us over these next few weeks to see what we need to do within our lives as we continue to be Your Church and not worry about the name or what’s happening in things around us within churches. But allow us to know who we are in You and not worrying about the label that’s there. But Lord, take us in, fill us up, and bring us to You ever closer. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen. **PERSONAL REFLECTION:** Take a few moments now as we come to Holy Communion to realize that you are communing with Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

**Holy Communion** (Prepare your bread and juice) Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another. (Join together in prayer) **Merciful God,** **we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.** **We have failed to be an obedient church.** **We have not done your will,** **we have broken your law,** **we have rebelled against your love,** **we have not loved our neighbors,** **and we have not heard the cry of the needy.** **Forgive us, we pray.** **Free us for joyful obedience,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.** *(All pray in silence your repentance for your sins).*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! **Glory to God. Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,** **heaven and earth are full of your glory.** **Hosanna in the highest.** **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.** **Hosanna in the highest.** Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit. *The pastor may hold hands, palms down, over the bread, or touch the bread, or lift the bread.* On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.** Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.** **Come and receive from the Lord and commune with Him.** The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

**The closing hymn is “Breathe on Me, Breath of God.” UMH #420** (By Edwin Hatch & Robert Jackson) Verse 1 - Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do. Verse 2 - Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with Thee I will one will to do and to endure. Verse 3 - Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly Thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine. Verse 4 - Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with Thee the perfect life of Thine eternity. CCLI Song # 99481 © Words & Music: Public Domain *For use solely with the Song Select®*[*Terms of Use*](https://songselect.ccli.com/about/termsofuse)*. All rights reserved.*[*www.ccli.com*](http://www.ccli.com/)CCLI License # 1694213

**Benediction: May we be acting within the breath of God that has been breathe into us as we serve each other in God’s love through Christ being His Church! Go in peace! Amen**