The liturgical color is green, signifying life and growth in the Christian Church, it is the tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

"Trumpet Voluntary" Amy Bender, organ

Bennett

Welcome Rev. Steve Stultz Costello

*Call to Worship

L: Let your light shine! Let your hearts be glad! God is faithful to us, and God rules in love.

C: We come to worship God through faith.

L: Jesus said "I AM" with an overwhelming willingness to help us.

C: Today, we say "WE ARE" because we are infused with God's love for all.

L: We may feel insignificant in this big world, but WE ARE able!

C: Give us the strength, determination, and commitment to be your holy word.

L: I AM!

C: WE ARE!

*Opening Prayer

Lord, we come to you this day with so many things going on in our lives. We are in awe of the greatness you've shown this past week. Our joy can't be contained! And we know there are far too many things that cause us fear and anxiety. So, humbly we wait for Your presence with us. Feed us with the bread of life, that we may hunger no more. With you, the Bread of Life, we are strengthened. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" vs. 1, 2, 3 UMH #629 Hymn History: The music to this hymn was written by Robert Kreutz. He was born in Lacrosse, Wisconsin in 1922. He graduated from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago in 1949. Among the people he studied under was the famous composer Arnold Schoenberg. Kreutz wrote over three hundred compositions, including an opera, "Francesco" which premiered in Chicago in 1987. This particular hymn, with words by Omar Westendorf, was written for the International Eucharistic Congress of the Roman Catholic Church in Philadelphia in 1976. Kreutz was the choir director at St. Bernadette church in Lakewood, Colorado for over thirty years. He and his wife, Evelyn, had nine children. Kreutz died in Denver, Colorado in 1996.

Children are invited to meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

Worship Through Music "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. S. DeFord

Caelyn Davis, Craig, Laurie, Mary Anne, and Sean Eppler

Serving & Giving Emphasis

Offertory

"Oceans"

Mary Anne Eppler, flute; Sean Eppler, piano

*Doxology #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

O God you are the giver of every perfect gift. And we thank you for all that we have. It is because of you that we have so much. Remind us in our giving to always think of others. Help, Lord, our unbelief. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

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

Centering Hymn

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"

UMH #510

Scripture John 6:47-51

Message | I Am / We Are: The Bread of Life

Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

Celebration of Holy Communion

*Hymn of Mission

"One Bread, One Body"

UMH #620

^{*}Congregation invited to stand if able

*Benediction

*Benediction Sung Response "Go Now In Peace"

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Amen. Amen.

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Postlude "Prelude in D" J.K.F. Fischer

Altar Flowers are presented by Kurt Hinkley In Memory of Wife, Linda Hinkley

Pulpit Flowers are presented by John & Val Hardy In Memory of Lillian Mae Hardy, John's mother

Through Labor Day, there is one
Modern Service at 9 AM and one Traditional Service at 11 AM
both livestreamed

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