

World Communion Sunday
10:00 a.m. October 4, 2026

Entering God’s Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

*Hymn 511 ***Come, Behold! the Feast of Heaven*** LLANFAIR

*Expressing Our Joy

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;
People: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
Leader: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
People: Let the humble hear and be glad.
Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,
People: And let us exalt his name together.
Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good;
People: Happy are those who take refuge in him. (Psalm 34)
Leader: May the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God’s Forgiveness (unison)
Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sin and ask your forgiveness. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

Children’s Message

*Hymn 503 ***Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation*** O QUANTA QUALIA

Psalm 19:1-10, 14 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 472 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem ***Lamb of God*** arr. Craig Courtney

Philippians 3:12-16 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 187 in the pew Bible.]

Meditation ***The World Together at One Table*** The Rev. Vance E. Polley

*The Apostle’s Creed (*Traditional Version*, Page 35) and ***Gloria Patri*** (No. 581)
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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*At the Presentation ***Doxology*** (No. 606) OLD HUNDREDTH

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving, concluding with *The Lord’s Prayer*

The Lord’s Supper
(All who are baptized are invited to share in *The Lord’s Supper*.)

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn 733 ***We All Are One in Mission*** ES FLOG EIN KLIENS WALDVÖGELEIN

*Benediction and Choral Benediction

*Going Out into the World

*Those that are able, please stand.