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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

Gathering Music "On What Has Now Been Sown" organ
Welcome & Announcements
Mission Minute Built to Serve
Confession and Forgiveness
Gathering Song "God of Grace and God of Glory" ELW 705
(verses 1,3,4)
Greeting
Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading Jonah 3:10-4:11
Children's Hymn "All Things Bright & Beautiful" on screen
Children's Word That's Not Fair
Gospel Matthew 20:1-16
Sermon Generous to the Last
Hymn of the Day "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" ELW 588
(verses 1,2,4)
Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Callum Matthew Wilson
Prayers of Intercession

MEAL

Gathering of Gifts "Gift of Finest Wheat"
Offering Prayer
Sacrament of Holy Communion
Words of Institution
The Lord's Prayer ELW p. 154
Distribution "Elegy"
Post-Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessing
Sending Song "Rise Up, O Saints of God!" ELW 669
(verses 1-3,5)
Dismissal
Sending Music "A Festive Intrada" Organ



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Greeting		
Kyrie		ELW p. 138
Canticle of Praise	"This is the Feast"	ELW p. 139
Prayer of the Day		

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Musical Offering	"Give Me Jesus"	Chancel Choir
First Reading	Jonah 3:10-4:11	
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Distribution	"Lamb of God"	ELW p. 146
Distribution Hymn	"Now We Join in Celebration"	ELW 462
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Post-Communion Blessing		

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Blessing		
Sending Song	"Rise Up, O Saints of God!"	ELW 669, vs. 1-3,5
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Side by Side

10:30 AM WORSHIP

WELCOME TO



- SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2026 -

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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