



# Village Church

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FOLLOWING JESUS FOR LIFE

**October 6, 2024**

**10:30 AM**

THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# Approaching God in Praise and Prayer

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+All who are able may stand

*As you enter this holy space and sacred time, please quiet your mind, meditate on the Scriptures,  
and pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare you to worship the Living God.*

## PRELUDE

*Adagio Cantabile*

J.S. Bach  
Suzanne Shick, organ

## WELCOME

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Throughout God's world this day, Christian churches are celebrating Communion as one family eating together in one room under one roof

**People: Our sisters and brothers in the Americas, Canada, Africa, Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and Eastern Europe, in all lands and countries, join us in lifting the bread of life and the cup of salvation.**

Leader: Neither powers nor principalities shall stop us nor deter our purpose, our sense of mission, or our challenge to go into the world as disciples into every town, village, and crossroad proclaiming the love of Christ for all creation.

**People: In Christ's love, there is no East, no West, no North, no South, but only one Spirit of hope, love, and peace for all.**

Leader: Let us praise Christ! May this holy meal empower each of us to be agents of hope and peace in a time of uncertainty and conflict

**People: The bread and wine are not for us alone but are symbols of a universal message that surpasses the might of missiles and the walls of oppression.**

**All: May Christ bless the worldwide communion of the church this day. All praise to the Lord, our Creator, Redeemer, and Savior!**

## + HYMN 340

**This Is My Song**

FINLANDIA

## + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Paul Zellerbach, liturgist

In Christ, dear God, You broke the barrier of sin and pain that separates us from our neighbor, ourselves, and You. We seek your grace so we can move from estrangement to new life. Oh God, grant us new life in You! When we deny your presence in our busy days, grant us new life in You. When we feel justified in our anger and resentment toward others, grant us new life in You. When we judge others before looking at ourselves, grant us new life in You. When we let worldly matters distract us and submerge us in fear, grant us your peace, assurance, and new life in You. Forgive us, Lord, and grant us new life in You as one people.

## + MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

## + ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## + RESPONSE

**Gloria Patri**

GREATORIX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## + PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**ANTHEM**

*We Are Marching in the Light of God (Siyahamba)*

South African  
arr. Freedom is Coming, 1984  
Village Children's Choir  
Calieanne Grossheim, director

**VILLAGE LIFE**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Children are invited to the Lord's Table.*

*We are the body of Christ and individually members of it.*

*We share one bread and one cup in remembrance of the body and blood of Jesus that was given for us.*

Invitation      Words of Institution      Bread & Cup      Thanksgiving

*Our communion bread is gluten free, and grape juice is in the cup.*

**+ COMMUNION HYMNS**

**HYMN 527 - Eat This Bread**

**HYMN 525 - Let Us Break Bread Together**

**HYMN 202 - An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare (v. 1-3)**

BERTHIER  
LET US BREAK BREAD  
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*Children will be excused to Sunday school after Communion.*

**Offering Ourselves to God**

**OFFERTORY**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

Dale Wood

**+ RESPONSE: HYMN 606**

**Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Receiving God's Word**

**ANTHEM**

*One Bread, One Body*

Mark Hayes  
Chancel Choir  
Juan Carlos Acosta, director

**THE WORD READ**

Ephesians 2:13-22

Dee Silver, lay reader

(The Message - NRSV NT pg. 252)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

“At Home in the Heart of God: Living With  
the Other People Who Are There Too”

The Rev. Janice Y. Cook

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# Responding to God's Word

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+ HYMN 526

**Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

LINSTEAD

*The choir will sing verse 1, and the congregation will join on verses 2 and 3.*

**BENEDICTION**

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Go Forth for God*

C. Winifred Douglas

**POSTLUDE**

*Allegro (from Autumn, The Four Seasons)*

S. Drummond Wolff



The Deacon of the Day, Perry Colapinto, can be found at the Welcome Table after service. If you desire prayer, prayer ministers are available after worship. Please inquire at the Welcome Table.

*This service is being livestreamed.*

## The Village Church Pastoral & Program Staff

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One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew  
Servant or free  
Woman or man no more

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts,  
many the works,  
one in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.

We are one body in this one Lord.  
We are all one body in the Lord.

Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,  
to serve God's people every day and hour,  
and serving Christ, our every gift employ,  
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

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