



Evangelism: Surprising the World

Changing the World One Meal at a Time

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PRELUDE/ COUNTDOWN

PRAISE SONGS

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

WELCOMING OF GUESTS

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PASSING THE PEACE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist

(Inspired by Luke 14:1, 7-14, Hebrews 13:1-6)

Liturgist: Creator God, you call us to hospitality; to give as generously to others as you have given to us.

Congregation: For there are angels among us.

Liturgist: Loving God, you call us to give you glory in the compassion we show to one another.

Congregation: To love without judgment, of ourselves or of others.

Liturgist: We gather as one Body, seeking to walk in the way you have set for us.

Congregation: We gather as one Body, to worship the one who is Love.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

All Who Hunger (v. 1-3)

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages; Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not created, of one essence with the Father through Whom all things were made. Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate and suffered and was buried; And He rose on the third day, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father; And He will come

again with glory to judge the living and dead. His kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of life, Who proceeds from the Father, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke through the prophets.

In one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

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**Please stand as you are able*

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 58:7-8 (NKJV)
Liturgist

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, And that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; When you see the naked, that you cover him, And not hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, And your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Liturgist: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

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CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Dear Father, help us to be loving and caring toward those who may not have as much as we have. Help us to include them in the special things that we do. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:1,7-14 (NKJV)
Liturgist

1 Now it happened, as He went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees to eat bread on the Sabbath, that they watched Him closely. ^{NKJ} **Luke 14:7** So He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noted how they chose the best places, saying to them: ⁸ "When you are invited by anyone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in the best place, lest one more honorable than you be invited by him; ⁹ "and he who invited you and him come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ "But when you are invited, go and sit down in the lowest place, so that when he who invited you comes he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher.' Then you will have glory in the presence of those who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ "For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." ¹² Then He also said to him who invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. ¹³ "But when you give a feast, invite *the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind.* ¹⁴ "And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

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MISSION MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF PRAYERS AND PRAISE

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If you have a prayer need or praise that you would like to share with the congregation, please fill out a card and pass it toward the center aisle of the congregation as we are singing the Hymn of Preparation. The pastor will collect the cards during the song and pray over the cards at the chancel rail.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Let Us Break Bread Together (v. 1-

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PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor

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SERMON

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Title: Surprise the World

Theme: Evangelism

Purpose: Changing the World One Meal at a Time

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND SACRIFICES (Celebrating Our Gifts)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

(Inspired by Luke 24:13-35)

Like the disciples at Emmaus, we offer what we have. They offered their company, their table, their bread. We invite you to be with us, Jesus, as we offer you our love, our devotion, and these gifts. May our eyes be opened to your holy presence among us, now and always. Amen.

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, From Whom All

Blessings

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*HYMN OF CELEBRATION

For the Fruits of This Creation (v. 1-

3)

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*COMMISSION

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BENEDICTION

Pastor

(Inspired by Matthew 26:6-13, Mark 14:3-9, Luke 7:36-50, John 12:1-8)

When we see the body of Christ still broken in this world, may we meet it with lavish grace and pour ourselves out with extravagant love...and all of God's children said...Amen.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Love and

Fellowship

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POSTLUDE



