



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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Indigenous People's Day Live Stream

Edina Community Lutheran Church

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Today's worship services includes pieces of the Indigenous People's Liturgical Celebration. We are grateful to its writer, Kelly Sherman-Conroy, as well as the American Indian/Alaska Native Lutheran Association, as we recognize and celebrate contributions of Native Americans into the life of the larger Church and community.

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Gracious God, We confess to you, in the company of your people, that we have turned our faces from the pain of others. When injustice overwhelms us or when our own worries consume us, we have failed to hear the cries of our neighbors. Forgive the wrong we have done by failing to hear and respond to the suffering of indigenous people. Open our hearts to the truth of their lives, the heartbreak of our shared history, and the horrors of the past so that we might take steps toward true reconciliation. Have mercy on us, forgive us, and make us healers and bearers of your love, in the name of Christ, Amen.

GREETING

L: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and find freedom to live and love as your people. Amen.

FIRST READING: JOB 23:1-9, 16-17

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 4:12-16

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: MARK 10:17-31

L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

CREED *This Creed Statement is from the Indigenous People's Celebration: A Service of Indigenous People (American Indian/Alaska Native Lutheran Association of the ELCA) written and compiled by Kelly Sherman-Conroy of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in Pine Ridge, SD.*

All: We believe in Creator, Father-Mother Spirit, who called the world and all that is in it, into being, who spoke the creative-forming word, and all came forth who created women and men and set them free to live in love, in obedience to the will of supreme love and in community with all.

L: We believe in Creator, Son and Brother, who, because of love beyond our understanding, love for creation, entered the world to share our humanity, to rejoice and to despair; to set before us the paths of life and death, and walk them with us; to be rejected and die, but finally to conquer death and bind the world to himself for all time.

L: We believe in Creator, In-Dwelling Spirit, who invites us into community, that we may through faith and that community of oneness, experience uplifting and sustaining grace; that we may fulfill our human responsibility to reach out to our neighbor, whoever that may be; that we may rejoice in the constant nature of creation and the wondrous joy of life itself.

L: We believe in Creator, whose word teaches us that all things grow together, the Circle of Life; that the paths of life and death, good and evil, too often come together, that choices are not clearly defined; but that we confidently and responsibly tread the path we choose and only the true One can be our judge.

All: We believe in Creator, who is present and working in this world through all creation. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Strength and Song. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: God be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to God.

L: Let us give thanks to God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gracious God in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION BLESSING

Dear friends, you are the body of Christ. Go now, fed and forgiven to be God's good news for the world. Go in peace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of hope, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of life. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love. Amen.

BLESSING

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, ☩ one God, bless you now and forever. Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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