

World Communion Sunday Children's Sermon

"The Presence of God"

Theme: God is With Us - Now

Object: Sign - GODISNOWHERE

Source: Traditional

Good morning.... Today I brought a special sign --- can you tell me what it says??? Are you sure???

Some people look at this sign - and they say GOD IS NOWHERE

Others look at it and they say GOD IS NOW HERE.

It depends on how you look at things.

Where do you think God is???? (Here, in the church, outside in nature, in the love that people show - in the places where people are hurting – and in the places where people are celebrating.)

As Christians - as followers of Jesus - we believe that God is everywhere. We believe that while God is everywhere - God can also be in special places - that we can understand God and experience God here in Church on Sunday - and in our times of prayer -- and - most especially in the breaking of bread. Today - with Christians all around the world we are going to take a loaf of bread and a cup of wine -- and as Jesus taught us to do - we are going to pray over it - and we are going to eat and a drink a portion of it -- and there we believe, as Jesus said it would be -- we will encounter the presence of God - and as the food that we eat is good for our bodies - so - this special eating and drinking that we will do in memory of Jesus – will nourish our souls.

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray - Lord God we thank you for being here - for living in our hearts - and for being in this church - and for dwelling with our families. Most specially today we thank you for being in the bread that we eat - and in the drink that we drink from this holy table. - Help us to see that you are here. Make us strong by your love.

Amen

And in the words that Jesus taught us, let us sing

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

*** HYMN: "Give Me Oil in My Lamp" - SFGP 130**

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