



first community

August 2, 2026

10 am SOUTH

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS–

Video

PRELUDE – Robert, organ

Contemplation (Based on Tallis' Canon

Richard Purvis (1913-1994)

CALL TO WORSHIP - Mary Kate

One: Come, all who hunger for hope, for grace,
and for belonging.

**Many: God welcomes us with open hands
and an open heart.**

One: We come carrying what we have—our
gifts, our questions, our burdens, and our joys.

**Many: In God's hands, even the smallest
offering can become a blessing.**

One: Come and trust in the God of abundance.

**Many: We worship the One who always
provides enough for all.**

OPENING HYMN

***Holy God, We Praise Your Name GROSSER
GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH (#276 New
Century) - verses 1, 2, and 4***

**Holy God, we praise your name;
Sovereign God, we bow before you:
All on earth your scepter claim,
all the heavenly hosts adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.**

**Hark, the glad celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising.
Fill the heavens with joys aflame:
holy, holy, is your name.**

**Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name you,
While in essence only one,
undivided God, we claim you;
So we gather reverently
to adore the mystery.**

WELCOME – Mary Kate

CHILDREN'S MOMENT – Seth

ANTHEM- Laurie McIlvenna,
soprano

What Shall I Render to the Lord?

Craig Courtney

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE
LORD'S PRAYER – Mary Kate

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Giving—Seth

Receiving the People's Gifts

ANTHEM – Laurie McIlvenna, soprano

***Amazing Grace* Craig Courtney**

Presentation of Gifts and Prayer of Dedication
- Seth

ONE: As the gifts are presented, will all rise in
body or spirit?

**All: Generous God, you have blessed us
with more than we often realize. Receive**

these gifts and use them to feed hungry hearts, bring hope where it is needed, and share your love with the world. May our giving reflect our trust in your abundant grace. Amen.

Doxology – LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts.
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts.
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

GOSPEL LESSON -Glen

Matthew 14: 13-21

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you

give them something to eat.” ¹⁷ They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸ And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children

SERMON – Glen

Are You Ready for a Miracle

Part 1: “The Miracle of Enough”

HYMN OF PREPARATION

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go ST. MARGARET
(#485 New Century) - verse 2

**O Light that follows all my way, to you I
yield my flickering flame;
Renew my spirit's feeble ray, that from
your brilliant sunlit day it may new
brightness claim.**

COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion – Seth

Receiving Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving – Seth

HYMN

God Be with You till We Meet Again GOD BE
WITH YOU (#81 New Century) - verses 1/4

**God be with you till we meet again;
By good counsel guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

Refrain:

**Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again;
Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threatening wave before
you:**

**God be with you till we meet again.
[Refrain]**

BENEDICTION– Mary Kate

POSTLUDE – Robert

Trumpet Tune in A Major

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)