



**July 18, 2021**

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**Gathering Words**

Center us, O God,  
to worship you this day.  
Remove our needless armor.

Be our stronghold.  
Grant us calm.  
Give us joyful hearts and ready minds,  
that we may be open to your grace. Amen.

**Song**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
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**Welcome**

Pastor Chris

You are invited to mail in your offering to the office or drop it off in the mail slot. You can also give online at [eastportumc.org/give](http://eastportumc.org/give)

**Sharing Christ's Peace**

You are welcome, you are loved, you are God's beloved. Rejoice in that love and share signs of the peace of Christ amongst yourselves. May Christ's Peace Be with You.

**Community Highlights**

**Pastoral Prayer & 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 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,  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen**

## **Song**

## **Breathe on Me Breath of God**

### **Word & Sermon**

2 Samuel 9:1-13

Pastor Chris

David asked, "Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul to whom I may show kindness for Jonathan's sake?" Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and he was summoned to David. The king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" And he said, "At your service!" The king said, "Is there anyone remaining of the house of Saul to whom I may show the kindness of God?" Ziba said to the king, "There remains a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet." The king said to him, "Where is he?" Ziba said to the king, "He is in the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar." Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. Mephibosheth son of Jonathan son of Saul came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. David said, "Mephibosheth!" He answered, "I am your servant." David said to him, "Do not be afraid, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan; I will restore to you all the land of your grandfather Saul, and you yourself shall eat at my table always." He did obeisance and said, "What is your servant, that you should look upon a dead dog such as I?"

Then the king summoned Saul's servant Ziba, and said to him, "All that belonged to Saul and to all his house I have given to your master's grandson. You and your sons and your servants shall till the land for him, and shall bring in the produce, so that your master's grandson may have food to eat; but your master's grandson Mephibosheth shall always eat at my table." Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants. Then Ziba said to the king, "According to all that my lord the king commands his servant, so your servant will do." Mephibosheth ate at David's table, like one of the king's sons. Mephibosheth had a young son whose name was Mica. And all who lived in Ziba's house became Mephibosheth's servants. Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, for he always ate at the king's table. Now he was lame in both his feet.

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Song**

I Love You, Lord

I love you, Lord  
And I lift my voice  
To worship you.  
Oh, my soul rejoice.

Take joy, my king  
In what you hear.  
May it be a sweet, sweet sound  
In your ear.

Lord, You Are More Precious than Silver

Lord, You are more precious than silver.  
Lord, You are more costly than gold.  
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds, and  
Nothing I desire compares with You.

Praise The Name of Jesus

Praise the name of Jesus,  
Praise the name of Jesus.

He's my Rock, He's my Fortress,  
He's my Deliverer.  
In Him shall I trust.  
Praise the name of Jesus.

## Holy Communion

### Affirming our Faith

We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.  
We trust in God.  
We are called to be the church:  
to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus,  
crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death,  
in life beyond death,  
God is with us.  
We are not alone.  
Thanks to be God.  
Amen.

### Song

Grace Greater Than All Our Sin

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,  
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured,  
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

*Chorus:* Grace, grace, God's grace,  
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
grace, grace, God's grace,  
grace that is greater than all our sin!

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,  
freely bestowed on all who believe!  
You that are longing to see his face,  
will you this moment his grace receive?

### Benediction + Sending

### Postlude

#### Please pray and care for the following:

Those unable to join us on a regular basis: Betty Storton, Anita Andrews,  
Ernie Mutschler, Donna Nuckles, Barbara Hiller

*Submit prayer requests by calling or emailing the church office or by using the online check-in form. Each request remains for a month unless submitted again.*

Robert Gibbons and health issues.

Jeff Schultz, and his family, as he undergoes cancer treatment (including surgery).

For the recovery of Robert Marianetti, hospitalized with covid-related pneumonia and on a ventilator.

Barbara Schwarz' cousin, Robin Carey undergoing treatment for brain cancer.

John Kallenbach, son of a friend of Barabara Schwarz, undergoing serious brain surgery.

Holly Green Ficca's brother with ongoing medical issues.

Chuck Schamburg, recent cancer diagnosis (friend of Mike Keller)

Mike Mullins preparing for hip surgery in July.

Will Rowel, friend of Michael Keller and Pastor Chris, fighting pancreatic cancer.

Tommy Eicher's daughter, Kelly and his friend Stephen Jakubik.

Dillon Sztuk, Della's brother for strength and peace during a challenging time.

Mike Mullins' friend Tony's son Conner.

For all who are searching for peace.

Mike Owens is recovering well from a stroke.

For Cyndi Councell and all of the family of Betty Moreland, who passed away on June 19.

For Janice Wolod, a friend of Sally Malamphy and Myrna Dobbs.

Margie Hughes is recovering well from surgery on her broken leg.

Mike Mullins scheduled for hip surgery on Monday.

Sherrie Little recovering from surgery.

### **Birthdays**

July 12 Kathleen Liedy  
July 13 Jackson Kopp  
July 15 Catrina Smith  
July 16 Nicole Hughes  
Debbie Morgan  
Shirley Owen  
July 18 Harriett Newquist  
July 20 Megan Wurst  
Molly Parrish  
July 22 Kevin Heinz  
Alexandra South  
July 24 Nathan Vasquez  
July 25 James Wilcox  
July 26 Joyce Chesney  
July 27 Hattie Broadwell  
Nikki Scott  
July 29 Evan Wilcox  
Tyler South  
July 30 Jerry South

### **Anniversary**

July 17 Gary & Christina Hataway  
July 19 Russ & Lisa Parrish  
July 24 David & Cyndi Councell  
July 26 Gene & Lynn Swanner  
July 28 Jon & Kim Wilcox  
July 29 Mei-jen Hong-Hillary

### **Announcements:**

**Listen by phone!** You can listen to a prerecorded church service by calling 1-410-233-3163 any time.

In the coming weeks, we will be recording our live in-person services and posting them to the website on the following Monday for viewing. We will still share the recording by phone after it is uploaded to the website.

We'll join together for worship on the lawn on August 1 . We'll have plenty of chairs, shade, bottle water, and holy communion for all! In the case of inclement weather or heat advisory we will worship indoors.