Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

FESTIVAL OF THE MARTYRDOM OF JAN HUS HOLY COMMUNION – 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: So, let us not grow weary in doing what is right.

-Galatians 6:9

BAND CHORALES.....Art Sorensen, leader WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood PRELUDE: *Hus Communion Hymn*Jan Hus (1369-1415) Home Church Brass Quintet Arr. Jeff Reynolds

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Standing)

Behold, a great multitude, which no one can number, out of every nation and of all tribes, and peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, with palm branches in their hands,

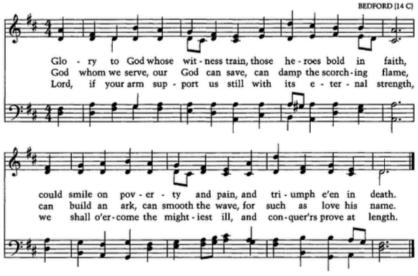
And they cry with a loud voice saying, "Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb."



These are the ones of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and the holes in the ground. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were slain with the sword, they were burned at the stake, they were killed by an assassin's bullet. They were destitute, persecuted, tormented. These are the ones who have come out of great tribulation; they have washed their robes and cleansed them in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and they worship day and night in the temple.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of living water.



And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Almighty God, Redeemer and Sustainer, we offer you thanks and praise for the holy lives of all your servants — the prophets, apostles, and martyrs — who have shone forth as lights in the world and sacrificed their lives in testimony of their faith.

(On the Sunday nearest July 6 the following sentence is added:)

We thank you for calling your servant John Hus to be an instrument of reformation and renewal in your church, and for keeping him faithful even unto a martyr's death.

We thank you for the triumphant fellowship of all the saints in glory. We remember before you all who have been called to the more immediate presence of the Savior, and especially those most dear to us and our congregation. We rejoice in our present fellowship with them, in our continuing hope, and in the promise of eternal joy. Let the great cloud of witnesses, the innumerable company of those who have gone before and entered into rest, be to us an example of godly life. May we run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; and may we obtain entrance into your eternal kingdom, and with the glorious assembly of the saints, worship and adore you.

⁽Kneeling or sitting)



Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. If God is for us, who can be against us!

Hear the words of the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, who was dead and is alive again: Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

To him who loves us and washed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests to God, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

("Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," Hymn 394, may be used in place of the following to conclude the liturgy.)



SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Isaiah 49:1-7 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

During the singing of the next hymn, children aged 3 and up are welcome to follow Godly Play leaders to continue their worship in CE-106.

HYMN 391 - By All Your Saints Still Striving, verses 1 and 2aT. St. Theodulph

(Martyrdom of Jan Hus)



TEXT: St. 1,3,4 Jerry D. Codwin (b. 1944), based on Horatio Nelson [1823-1913] 01985 The Church Pension Fund. St. 2a-e, C. Daniel Crews [1993] TUNE: Melchior Teschner [1615], C. Gregor Chroalbuch [1784] Alternate key, hymn 268 7.6.7.6.D. Iambic

ST. THEODULPH (151 G)

2a For the Martyrdom of John Hus For Hus the fearless martyr we give you thanks and praise, whose bright and pure example still shines in these our days. May we with dedication so preach and live your love that all may hear your witness and strive for heav'n above.

2b For Education

With thanks we now remember Comenius the wise, who helped by education your suff'ring world to rise. Inspire us, Lord, to offer our best, our all, to you, that faith, and love, and true hope your people may renew.

2c For Stewardship and Service

For Zinzendorf we praise you, who loved you from the heart, who gave a home to exiles and took with slaves a part. So may the church today, Lord, your gospel summons hear, and give ourselves in service to all both far and near.

2d For Spread of the Gospel

For all who left their homelands, for all who gave their lives, to spread your holy message from which all hope derives, we give you thanks and praises and ask your Spirit's power to move, increase, and strengthen within us at this hour.

2e For Congregational Festivals

All praise, dear God, for founders who built this church by grace, our mothers and our fathers, whose legacy we trace. Renew us now for service that we may hallow all, possessions, time, and talents, to answer to your call.

a John Hus (Jan Hus) (1369-1415), was a Czech priest and reformer whose followers formed the *Unitas Fratrum*, which later became known as the Moravian Church. Hus was burned at the stake on July 6, 1415.

b John Amos Comenius (Jan Amos Komenský) (1592-1670), Bishop of the Unitas Fratrum, has been called the "Father of Modern Education."

c Nicholas Ludwig von Zinzendorf (1700-1760) granted refuge to the descendants of the Unitas Fratrum seeking sanctuary from religious persecution; these refugees founded the town of Herrnhut (the Lord's Watch) on Zinzendorf's estate in Saxony.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The offertory provides an opportunity to reflect on the many ways that we can express our gratitude in response to God: with time, treasure, talents, and testimony. For financial giving online: Use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal at <u>https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/.</u> Click the DONATE tab on any page of the Home Church website. For more information, go to homemoravian.org/donate. You can make one-time or recurring gifts. Text HOME to 73256 on your phone.

OFFERTORY INVITATION AND PRAYER OFFERING OF MUSIC: *Bohemian March*.....Erik Salzwedel (2024) Erik Salzwedel, trombone

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 8:34-38......The Rev. Ginny Hege Tobiassen

COMMUNION MEDITATION

393 All Splendid Bright, Your Grandeur Shows



TEXT: Johann Scheffler [1657]. Tr. Madeleine Forell Marshall (1994) ©1994 by Madeleine Forell Marshall TUNE: Grimm's Choralbuch (1775); C. Gregor Choralbuch (1784) Alternate translation, hymn 471 8.7.8.7.11.9.11.9.

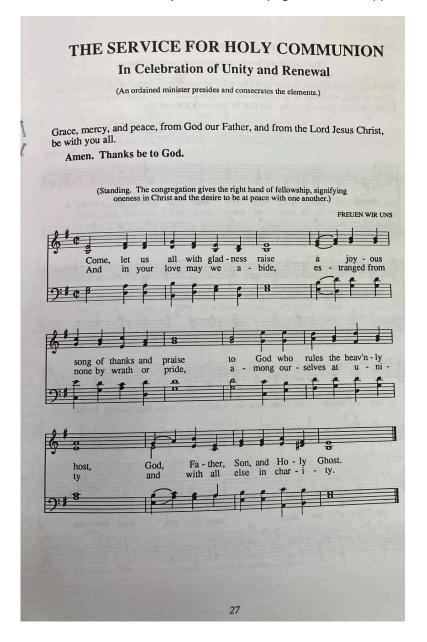
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MARTYRS AND ALL SAINTS



THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

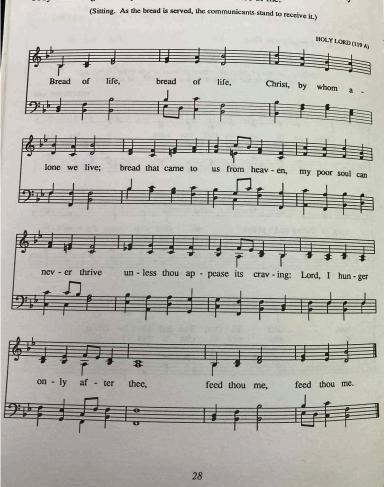
In Celebration of Unity and Renewal, pages 27-39 in supplemental book



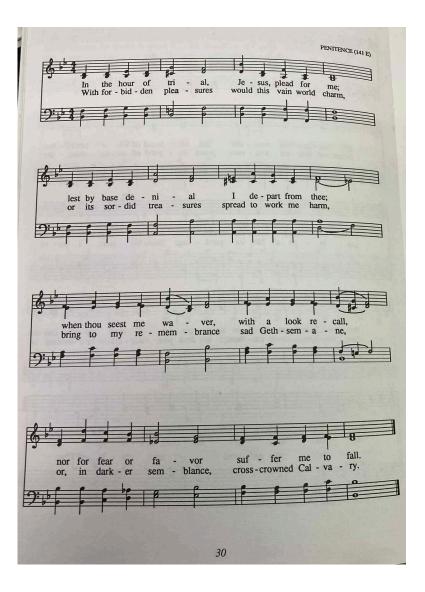
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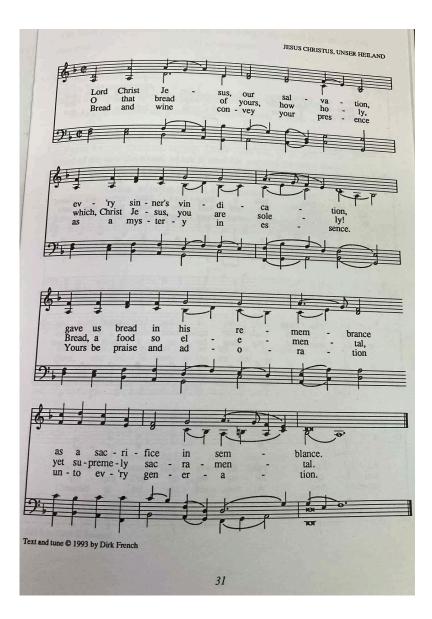
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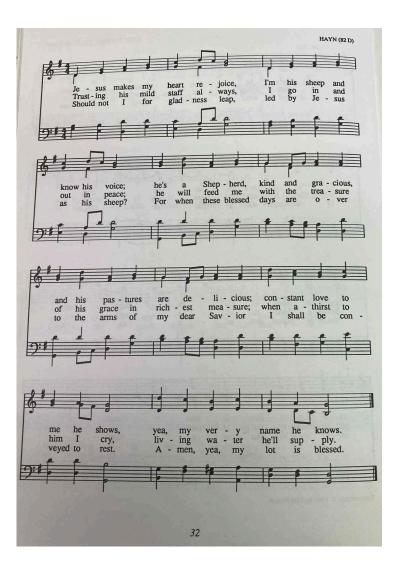
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.



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(When the bread has been served, the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

SILENT PRAYER

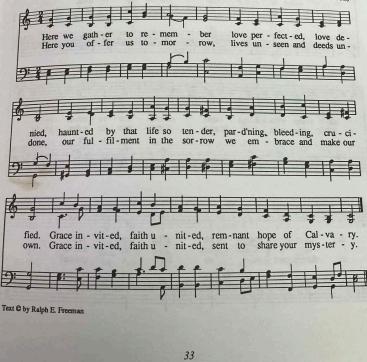
By your divine presence, By the holy sacraments,

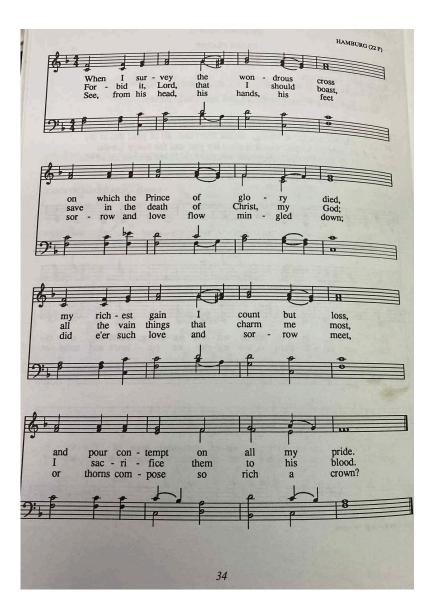
By the holy satisfies of your life, sufferings, death, and resurrection, By all the merits of your life, sufferings, death, and resurrection, Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.

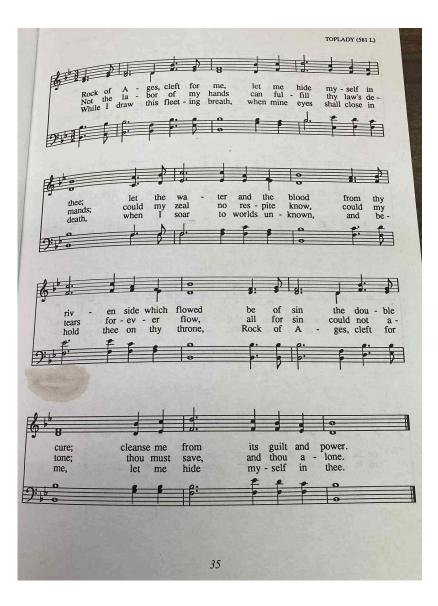
In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the blood of the new covenant, whenever you drink it in remeat blood of the hard of the blood of the blood of the blood of the hard of the blood o

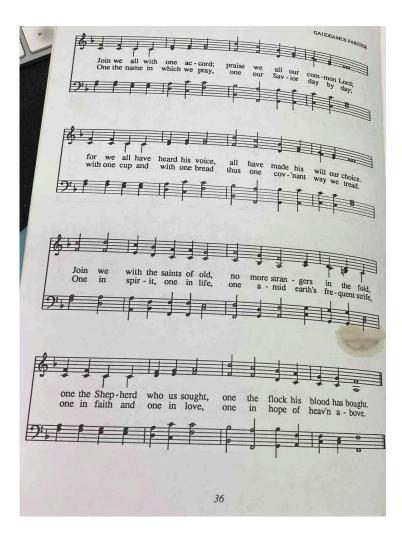
(Sitting. As the cup is served, the communicants stand to receive it.)

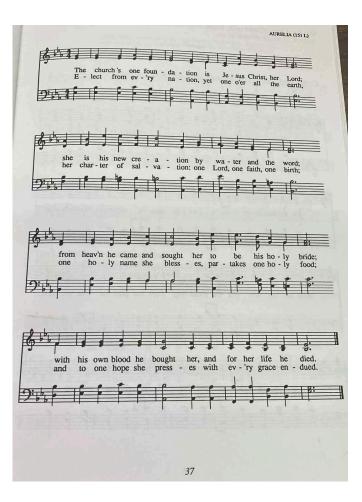
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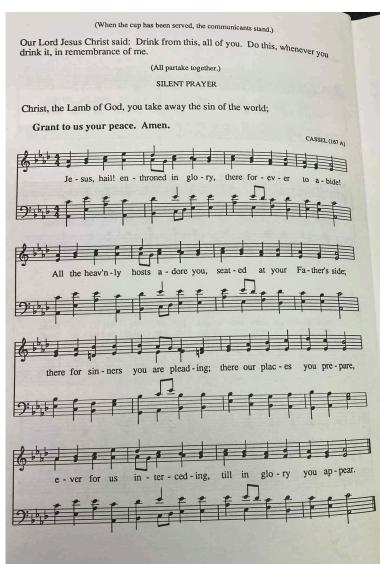


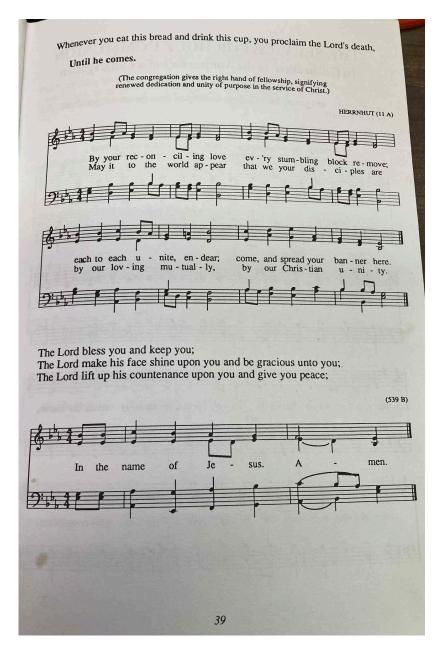












POSTLUDE: Let us with a Gladsome MindT. Monkland Albert L. Travis (2006)

FESTIVAL OF THE MARTYRDOM OF JAN HUS

This service of Holy Communion marks the occasion of the martyrdom of Jan Hus. On Saturday, July 6, 1415, the town of Constance, situated on both banks of the river Rhine, witnessed the last act of a tragedy. The Czech priest and preacher, marked as a heretic by Rome, passed the cemetery where his books were being burned and, in the next moment, he ascended the stake.

In 1400, Hus was ordained to the priesthood, and the following year was elected Dean of the Faculty of Arts at Prague University. Hus was especially impressed with the views of Oxford theologian John Wycliffe, stressing the importance of preaching and the necessity of striving for a moral revival of the Church. In 1402 Hus was appointed a preacher at Bethlehem Chapel. From the pulpit of Bethlehem Chapel as well as at the University, Hus constantly promoted reform within the Church. The number of his friends increased, as did the number of his adversaries. Finally, the Archbishop, Zbynek Zajíc of Hasenburk, forbid Hus to continue preaching. Hus did not obey.

Hus' message of fidelity to the truth, passed on from generation to generation, forms the most inner core of his legacy to the Church and to his nation. This message still needs to be heard by all who care for the truth: "Seek the truth, listen to the truth, learn the truth, love the truth, speak the truth, abide by the truth, defend the truth unto death." (Jaroslav Necas and Vaclav Starý, *Master John Hus and the Town of Husinec*).

In 1457, followers of Hus established in Kunvald (currently in the Czech Republic) an intentional community they called the Unitas Fratrum, Latin for "Unity of Brethren," which ultimately became known as the Moravian Church.

This year marks the 610th anniversary of Hus' martyrdom.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors this morning and invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you. After the service, pick up a beverage in the serving room off the Sanctuary, and enjoy fellowship.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today in loving memory of *Bill Todd* by Dianne Todd and his family.

The offertory, "Bohemian March," is an original piece created for Jan Hus Communion. It is not a military march but rather a "walk" that represents the persistence and petitioning involved in exacting change. There are darker moments that may evoke feelings of frustration or simply discernment in working through change. The march is in a minor key but emerges from darkness to light at the very end. – Erik Salzwedel

Large print bulletins are available. See an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

GODLY PLAY, CE-106, 10:20 a.m. (ages 3 and up), *The Story of Jan Hus* **BIBLE DISCUSSION**, 11:15 a.m., Club Room and Zoom

CHILDREN'S POWER HOUR, 11:15 a.m., CE Building YOUTH POWER HOUR, 11:15 a.m., CE Building

CALENDAR

Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship, Jan Hus Communion 10:20 a.m. - Godly Play, CE-106 11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship, Lovefeast Serving Room 11:15 a.m. - Bible Discussion, Club Room and Zoom Children's Power Hour, CE Building Youth Power Hour, CE Building Tuesday - 11:00 a.m. - Children's Ministry Team, CE Building 4:00 p.m. - Benevolence Team, RB-225 Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. - Breakfast, Cagney's Restaurant 9:00 a.m. - Stewardship Committee, Club Room 12:00 p.m. - Love Out Loud Lunch, Fellowship Hall 4:15 p.m. - Wachovia Historical Society Guild, Parlor Thursday - 3:45 p.m. - Wachovia Historical Society Guild, Club Room Friday - 11:00 a.m. - Funeral for Jane Van Hoven, Sanctuary, followed by a - Reception in the Parlor Next Sunday - 9:30 a.m. - Nursery, CE-105 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship 10:20 a.m. - Godly Play, CE-106 11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship, Lovefeast Serving Room 11:15 a.m. - Bible Discussion, Club Room and Zoom Children's Power Hour, CE Building Youth Power Hour, Lot 63 6:00 p.m. - Youth Pizza and Games, CE Building

PERSONALS

We embrace in sympathy:

The family of Gary Vernon, who died on June 27. Montine Wilkinson, whose mother, Tina Hensley, died on June 27.

> Virginia Hege Tobiassen, Pastor Craig Atwood, Associate Pastor Glenn Siebert, Director of Music Jonathan Williams, Organist Becky Hodges, Director of Christian Formation Philip Montgomery, Youth Ministry Coordinator
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