

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak  
In living echoes of your tone;  
As you has sought, so let me seek  
Your erring children lost and lone.  
  
Oh, lead me, Lord, that I may lead  
The wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;  
Oh, feed me, Lord, that I may feed  
Your hung'ring ones with manna sweet  
  
Oh, fill me with your fullness, Lord,  
Until my very heart o'erflow  
In kindling thought and glowing word,  
Your love to tell, your praise to show.

Offering

Scripture & Prayer

Hymn of Thanksgiving: "Seek Ye First"

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness  
And all these things shall be added unto you  
Allelu, alleluia  
  
Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and you shall find  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you  
Allelu, alleluia  
  
You shall not live by bread alone but by every word  
That proceeds from the mouth of God  
Allelu, alleluia

Benediction: [inspired by Psalm 139:7-12]

Benediction Response: "The Lord Bless & Keep You"

The Lord bless you and keep you:  
The Lord make His face to shine on you,  
And be gracious, gracious  
The Lord bless and keep you  
The Lord lift His countenance on you,  
And give peace, give you peace,  
Amen

Postlude

## Gathering for God's Word

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship: [Based on Isaiah 55: 1-3; 6]

Leader: Come, all who are thirsty, come to the waters;  
even if you are penniless, come, buy and eat! Come, buy  
wine and milk without money and without cost.

**People: Our souls hunger for God, for the living God!**

Leader: Why spend money on what is not bread, and  
your work on that which does not satisfy? Listen and eat  
what is good, and you will delight in the richest of fare.

**People: Our souls hunger for God, for the living God!**

Leader: Give ear and come to the Lord; listen, so that you  
may live. Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on  
him while he is near.

**People: Our souls hunger for God, for the living God!**

## Preparing for God's Word

Hymn of Adoration: "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we  
will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around  
us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and  
see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome  
guest. Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy,  
we keep the feast. We that once were lost and scattered  
in communion's love have stood. Taste and see the grace  
eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we  
have been led. Blest are those who from this table live  
their days in gratitude. Taste and see the grace  
eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

### Prayer of Confession

Leader: O God of Grace, we know that it is so easy for us to receive so much from you, and yet for us to waste those abundant gifts. Lord, when we pray and our main desire is to receive the good opinion of others,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: When we give our gifts so that others might notice us or so we can pat ourselves on the back,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: When we deny ourselves mostly to get others' admiration,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: When we fail to do unto others as we would like them to do unto us,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: When we put ourselves first,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: When we keep for ourselves more than what we need,

**People: Forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: Gracious God, forgive us our sins, our trespasses, and our debts. God we know that only then can our souls be washed clean and be made spotless. Only then can we be your true servants. Only then will we reach your heart. Amen

### Assurance of Pardon

[based on Romans 5:8; Colossians 1:13-14; Romans 5:1]

### Children's Message

## Hearing God's Word

### Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16:2-15

### Sermon

"Touchstone- God Saves His People...  
Miss You Like the Deserts Miss the Rain"

## Responding to God's Word

### Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayer of Consecration

Leader: Heavenly Father, you call us as your people to praise your many ways. Lord we ask this day, that you would call us just as you called the people of Israel to gather manna in the desert.

**People: God of grace, give us this day our daily bread.**

Leader: God we ask that you would continue to provide for us exactly what we need to remain connected to you. Created in your image, we not only need physical food but we need spiritual food that endures— faith, hope, and love.

**People: God of grace, give us this day our daily bread.**

Leader: Lord, we know that we continue to be nourished by you! Help us not miss your presence, your work, your touch around us. Help us to reflect the ways in which we have been touched by your holy manna. Holy Spirit, come into our lives and the lives of all who need you.

**People: God of grace, give us this day our daily bread.**

*[Silent Prayer of intercession]*

Leader: We ask all this in the name of Christ. Amen.