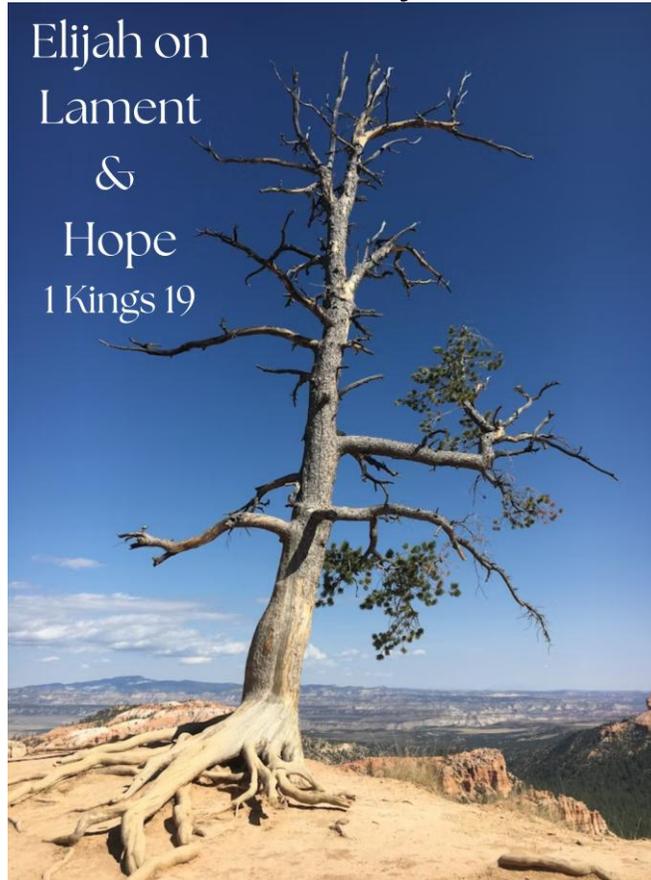


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**Call to Worship**

**[I Lift My Eyes - Psalm 121](#)**

**[Song | Worship Song of Trust and Protection](#)**

**Confession and Forgiveness based on 2 Corinthians 5**

We who are reconciled to God through Christ have been given the ministry of reconciliation; therefore, let us pause to confess our sins so we might once again be reconciled to God.

Silence for reflection

God our Creator, you have made us to love and be love in the world. Yet, we live with heart break, broken relationships and bitterness. Remind us that everything old has passed away; past hurts, mistakes and shortcomings. Forgive us for our trespasses and for the ways we count other's trespasses against them. You have entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. As ambassadors for Christ let us lay our sins at the foot of the cross and pick up the freedom of forgiveness.

For our sake God made the one who knew no sin to be sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. Thanks be to God!

**Opening Hymn Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken ACS  
966**

Loaves were broken, words were spoken by the Galilean shore. Jesus Bread of life from heaven, was their food forevermore.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured, Jesus feed again your people. Be our host, our life, our Lord.

Loaves were broken, words were spoken in a quiet room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured, Jesus feed again your people. Be our host, our life, our Lord.

Loaves are broken, words are spoken, as in faith we gather here. Jesus speaks across the ages: "I am with you; do not fear!"

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured, Jesus feed again your people. Be our host, our life, our Lord.

By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your name to share bread for which the millions hunger, words that tell your love and care.

By your body broken for us, by your wine of life outpoured, Jesus feed again your people. Be our host, our life, our Lord.

## Greeting

### Prayer of the Day

Reconciling God, in this Lenten season we recommit to the hard work of forgiveness. For everything there is a season. From lost sheep to prodigal sons to disciples restored to right relationship we study scripture to learn from your ways. Be near us as we enter into the Word and toward the cross all in the name of Jesus who redeems us to live reconciled with you and all creation. Amen.

## Children's Message

Centering Song      [Amazing Grace by Peter Hollens and Home Free](#)

### Welcome the Word

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

### Scripture Reading

**1 Kings 19:1-18**

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow."

Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then

the Lord said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill, and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**  
**766**

**We Come to the Hungry Feast WOV**

We come to the hungry feast, hungry for a word of peace  
To hungry hearts unsatisfied the love of God is not denied  
We come we come to the hungry feast

We come to the hungry feast, hungry for a world released  
from hungry folk of every kind the poor in body, poor in mind  
We come we come to the hungry feast

We come to the hungry feast, hungry that the hunger cease  
And knowing though we eat our fill the hunger will stay with us still  
We come, we come to the hungry feast

**Apostles' Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Peace**

**Offering**

### **Offertory Response**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **Offering Prayer**

God our Provider, we return what you have first given us. All that we have belongs to you; ourselves, our time and our possessions. Each of these are adorned with signs of your grace. Use them as you will so we might leave this world better than we found it. Now ready us to receive Christ's presence in this holy meal as we open our hands and our hearts to receive a measure of your mercy in Jesus' name. Amen.

### **Words of Consecration based on Romans 5**

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for us. Each time we set this sacred table we remember that Jesus is the host. When we eat of this bread and drink of this cup we trust that Jesus is present in it. God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Before Jesus went to the cross he gathered for a final meal with his friends...Let your Holy Spirit enter into this holy meal. As we receive it remind us we are justified, saved and reconciled to you, through Jesus, who taught us to pray...

### **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Communion Distribution**

### **Post Communion Blessing**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

God our Healer and our Hope, we have been strengthened by sharing this holy meal in community. When we receive your goodness side by side we remember that we need each other. Let us leave reconciled to you and our neighbors so we might live in the love that Jesus gave his life for. Amen.

## Announcements

### Blessing

#### Sending Hymn

#### Beautiful Savior LBW 518

Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee, Light of my soul, my Joy,  
my Crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer; He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling  
stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the  
sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

#### Dismissal

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**