Announcements

❖ A special welcome to guests and visitors! Thank you for joining us. We welcome you and hope that you will find a spiritual home with us. We’d love to know that you were here. Please sign our guest book on the table near the entrance. For more information about Sunday Assembly, the monastery or the sisters’ community see https://HolyWisdomMonastery.org or contact Lynn Lemberger, lemberger@holywisdommonastery.org. A special visitors table near the dining room entrance, hosted by our friendliest members is available for our visitors and guests. Please join us after worship for coffee and conversation.
❖ Gender Neutral Restrooms can be found in the Hospitality Room in the hallway just after the coat racks.
❖ Join Sunday Assembly! Have you been worshipping with us frequently over the last few months? We hope that you’ve found a spiritual home with us and invite you to consider becoming a member of Sunday Assembly. It’s simple. Yellow membership forms can be found at the monastery entrance. Just fill it out and return in the collection basket next Sunday or send by mail. Or sign-up through our website.
❖ Pastoral Care Services are available to members of the Holy Wisdom Monastery communities. For more information or to receive care, contact Jane Ahlstrom at 608-222-5139 or janeahlstrom@sbsglobal.net.
❖ Late Summer Prairie Wildflower Pop-Up Tour August 8, 10:00 am-12:00 noon. Meet Sylvia Marek and Julie Melton at the parking lot kiosk. Learn about prairie plants. Then take a self-guided walk on the prairie.
❖ Reflections on a Contemplative Ecology – PUBLIC CONVERSATION, 1 pm Sunday afternoon, August 20. Register by August 14. Douglas E. Christie invites us to reach into the historical depths of our Christian contemplative tradition for ways to respond to environmental issues, to engage Benedictine spirituality more deeply, and to reflect together on the power of a contemplative ecology for our shared life together. For more information and to register, see the monastery website at https://holywisdommonastery.org/experiences-in-contemplative-ecology/
❖ Next Sunday, August 13
  • Childcare is available during worship.
  • Kids On the Prairie Join us to look for insects on the prairie. We’ll find pollinators, predators, and bugs just looking for a good meal. Meet at the Kiosk at 10:30. All children and their adults are welcome. Registrations are appreciated.
Gathering Hymn

We Come with Joy

1. We come with joy in Jesus Christ, Who knows our human need, Who, moved with pity ever small they are, Will reach and heal a

2. A little bread is all we have, So meager our supply— A little time, a ever small they are, Will reach and heal a

3. Like ripples in a pool, our gifts, How for the world, Would every hunger feed, needly world, Will comfort near and far.

Who blessed the fish and the barley loaves Till food was multiplied, Whose bountiful overloaves our poverty, Put all our gifts in

But let us bring the best we have De - spite our poverty, Put all our gifts in

For Christ will bless our bit of bread, The flowed their want Till all were satisfied. Jesus’ hands, Imperfect though they be. overflow And all are satisfied.

Presider The bread which we break, is it not communion in the body of Christ? The cup of blessing which we share, is it not communion in the blood of Christ?

All So all of us are one body, all who share the one bread and drink from the cup.

Communion Rite

Our Communion bread is gluten-free. All are welcome to receive Communion. Come to any one of the locations in the room—at side exit, on the opposite side near the piano, or behind the altar. The presider will offer the cup of wine behind the altar for those who wish to receive.

A time of silent reflection follows our sharing of Communion.

Prayer after Communion

Blessing & Dismissal

Closing Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 55:1-5

Following each reading:

Reader The Word of Salvation
All Thanks be to God

Tune: FOREST GREEN, CMD; English; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958, alt.

Text: Martin Bickert, 1547; trad. Catharine Winkworth, 1858, alt.
Tune: NUN DANKET 6.7.6.6.6.6; Johann Crüger, 1647.
All join in singing the Doxology and Amen:


The Prayer of Jesus

Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Psalm 145

Your hand, O God, feeds us; you answer all our needs.

Second Reading

Romans 9:1-5

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

Before the Gospel,
Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
All Glory to you, O Christ

Following the Gospel,
Reader The holy Gospel
All Praise to you, O Jesus Christ

Homily

General Intercessions Response: Loving God, hear our prayer.

Sign of Peace

Presentation of the Gifts

A basket is available on the table to receive your donations. Thank you for your generosity. The gifts of bread, wine and our offering are brought to the altar.
Liturgical Prayer

Eucharistic Prayer V for Ordinary Time

All join in proclaiming the Eucharist Prayer. The Assembly parts are in **bold**.

**Presider**
May the Holy One be with you.

**All**
And also with you.

**Presider**
Lift up your hearts.

**All**
We lift them up to our God.

**Presider**
Let us give thanks to the God of all.

**All**
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

God of amazing surprises.
Creator of tiny insects and awesome planets.
Designer of Earth’s wonders.
Giver of life and laughter.

We praise your passionate love hidden, yet revealed, everywhere in the cosmos.

We thank you that from the beginning, you called us into partnership with all creation in the holy dance that is all of life in your Divine Presence.

May our voices join with all creation to praise you with unending joy:

We praise you, O God, who calls us to deep intimacy in this Eucharistic celebration.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts + as we offer thanks for the bread and the cup that will heal our hearts and transform our lives.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread and passed it to his friends saying:
Take this all of you and eat. This is my body given for you.

At the end of the meal, Jesus took a cup of wine. Again he gave you thanks and praise, and shared the cup with his friends saying:
Take this all of you and drink.
This is the cup of my blood poured out for people everywhere for the reconciliation of all.
This is a new and everlasting covenant.
Do this in memory of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

God of all hope, help us to live as a new body, brought to birth by the Spirit of the Risen One in acts of forgiveness, healing and justice.

Give us strength to support all who suffer.
Grant us courage to work for peace in places torn by violence, hatred and war.
Keep us dedicated to honor our partnership with your holy creation, that the land, water, air, plants and animals, and all humanity may reflect your divine beauty.

We thank you for all those through the ages who have heard your call and followed your way.
We lift up our loved ones who have died, and those most in need.
Let this meal nourish us to go into the world to heal and serve one another, and fulfill the vision of unity that Jesus taught.