

Nashwaaksis United Church

Sunday, October 5, 2025 - Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

Say Yes!: Embracing God's Abundance

Liturgical Colour: White

GATHERING TOGETHER

HymnSing

Prayer Requests

Acknowledgement of Place

Lighting the Christ Candle

Introit: *Lord Prepare me* MV 18

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living,
Sanctuary for you.**

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Celebrations & Announcements

Gathering (Responsive):

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts, for God gives bread for the journey.

We lift them up to the Lord, who provides enough for today.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise, for God's abundance is more than we could ask or imagine.

Hymn: *God of the Bible* MV 28

LISTENING FOR TRUTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sanctus Benedictus TLUS 19

**Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might;
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest!

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name,
comes in the name of our God.**

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**Hosanna in the highest,
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Remembering the Meal (Responsive):

Generous and faithful God ... he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

"Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Each time you do this, remember me."

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he passed it to his friends, saying:

"Drink. This cup that is poured out for you is the covenant of love, sealed in my blood. Whenever you drink it, remember me."

Loving God ... that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation TLUS 20

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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Proclaiming Our Faith: *A New Creed* VU 918

Ministry of Music: *Seek Us and Find Us* TLUS 74

Scripture Reading:

John 6:47-51

Exodus 16:2-4, 11-18

This is the Good News.

Thanks be to God!

Time for the Young And Young At Heart

Message: *Embracing God's Abundance*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: *All Who Who Hunger* *VU 460*

Instruction and Invitation

How Can I Give?

Dedication Verse: *In Gratitude* *VU 544*

**In gratitude and humble Trust we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love with all along life's way.**

**O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

Blessing (Responsive):

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who share in this bread and cup may be nourished by Christ, the Bread of Life.

**Feed us with your abundance, that we may be strengthened
for the journey ahead.**

Make us the body of Christ in the world: trusting your daily provision, walking in hope, and sharing your gifts with open hands.

**As you fed your people in the wilderness, feed us now with
grace enough for today.**

Guide us to become bread for the hungry, hope for the weary, and signs of your abundance in every place.

**Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Great Amen

TLUS 21

**Amen, Amen, Amen.
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

The body of Christ, broken for you.

The blood of Christ, poured out for you.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup (Responsive):

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Come now for all has been made ready.

Sharing the meal

Hymn: *Spirit, Open my Heart* *MV 79*

SENDING FORTH

Commissioning (Responsive):

We have been fed by God's abundance, nourished at the table of grace.

**We go out to be bread for the journey, sharing what we have
received with a hungry world.**

We have tasted the goodness of Christ, the Bread of Life who gives strength for each new day.

**We go out in hope, trusting God's provision, living with open
hands and generous hearts.**

We have been filled with the Spirit, who makes us one body in love.

**We go out to say Yes to God's abundance, Yes to justice, Yes to
peace, Yes to life made new.**

Benediction:

Go now with the love of God in your hearts, the peace of Christ in your hands, and with the Holy Spirit at your back to share the good news you have heard this day.

Choral Closing:

Go Make A Diff'rence MV 209 (R, v2, R)

Refrain:

Go make a dff'rence, we can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world

Go make a diff'rence we can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world

We are the hands of Christ, reaching out to those in need

The face of God for all to see

We are the spirit of hope, we are the voice of peace

Go make a diff'rence in the world. R

Closing Music