

First United Methodist Church

Welcome! We are a Congregation Caring For and About God's Community
August 6, 2023 - 10:00am - 11th Sunday in Pentecost

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Prelude: "Panis Angelicus" (Bread of Angels)

by César Franck; arr. Edward Broughton

Welcome and Announcements – Please sign in on the Attendance pads,
or use your phone and the QR Code to the right to sign in electronically
or use this link: <https://form.jotform.com/211785166356159>

Please fill out your yellow prayer cards



***Opening Hymn UMH #629:** "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

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| [Chorus] You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat;
Come give to us, O Saving Lord
The bread of life to eat. | 3) Is not the cup we bless and share
The blood of Christ outpoured?
Do not one cup, one loaf declare
Our oneness in the Lord? [Chorus] |
| 1) As when the shepherd calls his sheep
They know and heed his voice,
So when you call your family, Lord,
We follow and rejoice. [Chorus] | 4) The mystery of your presence, Lord,
No mortal tongue can tell;
Whom all the world cannot contain
Comes in our hearts to dwell. [Chorus] |
| 2) With joyful lips we sing to you
Our praise and gratitude,
That you should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heavenly food. [Chorus] | 5) You give yourself to us, O Lord,
Then selfless let us be;
To serve each other in your name
In truth and charity. [Chorus] |

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Call to Worship:

One: Come, you who are hungry, you who have no clean water, you who face food insecurity every day.

All: We come with our needs, looking to God and to God's people for sustenance and relief.

One: Come, you who hunger and thirst for righteousness; who long for peace, and for a better world for all creation.

All: We come with our dreams, looking to God and to God's people to work together to bear fruit and build God's Kingdom on earth.

One: Come, you who hunger and thirst for God, who are running on empty, drained emotionally, spiritually dry, lost in the clutter of stuff and the rut of activity.

All: We come to worship. Holy God, rejuvenate our bodies, rehydrate our spirits, and refresh our faith, that we may share your love with all in need. Amen.

* Please stand if you are able

**P: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!**

L: Holy are you, and blessed is your son, Jesus Christ,
who healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.
In Jesus' suffering and death, you took upon yourself our sin and death
and destroyed their power forever.
You raised from the dead this same Jesus, our Savior,
Who now reigns with you in glory, and poured upon us your Holy Spirit,
making us the people of your new covenant.
On the night before he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said
"Take; eat; this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
Likewise, when the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you,
gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this all of you; this is my blood
of the new covenant poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins. As often as you drink of this, remember me.
And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Christ Jesus,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

L: Let us pray: Holy God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ;
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.
By your Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory,
and we feast together at his heavenly banquet.
Through your son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

*Those who worship with us in person this morning are invited to come forward via the center aisle,
take a cup with a piece of bread and a serving of juice, and return to your seats via the side aisles.*

When all have been served, we will eat the bread and drink the juice together.

Leave your plastic waste in the pew and it will be gathered following worship for recycling.

*Those who worship online from home this morning are invited to use what you have in your home
(bread, crackers, juice, etc.) to participate in the sacrament along with the congregation.*

Music During Communion: "One Bread, One Body" by John B. Foley; arr. John Carter

WE GO AS WITNESSES FOR CHRIST IN THE WORLD

Closing Hymn FWS #2268: “As We Gather At Your Table”

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| <p>1) As we gather at your table,
As we listen to your word,
Help us know, O God, your presence;
Let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story
Till we claim it as our own;
Teach us through this holy banquet
How to make Love’s victory known.</p> <p>2) Turn our worship into witness
In the sacrament of life;
Send us forth to love and serve you,
Bringing peace where there is strife.</p> | <p>Give us, Christ, your great compassion
To forgive as you forgave;
May we still behold your image
In the world you died to save.</p> <p>3) Gracious Spirit, help us summon
Other guests to share that feast
Where triumphant Love will welcome
Those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us
Nor will pride our peace destroy,
As we join with saints and angels
To repeat the sounding joy.</p> |
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***Benediction:**

L: Beloved, go forth into this week with faith that God can take our smallest offering, our simple gifts and talents, our modest dreams, and multiply them beyond all comprehension or expectation to bring about good in the world. Look for it. Believe it possible, and trust that God our Creator, our Redeemer, our Sustainer goes with you.

P: **We go in peace to love and serve the Lord and all of God’s creation. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

***Postlude:** “*Let Us Break Bread Together*”

Traditional Spiritual; arr. Marianne Kim

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS: Thank you for your service!! Liturgist: Jim Doane / Greeters: Bill & Sue Johnson and Kay Mertz / Ushers: Bill Cowdery, Dr. Larry Kelly, Angie Smith / Welcome Desk: Betty Jo Cloud / Coffee Hour Host: Jill Spaulding / Sound System: Izzy Terhune / Nursery: Karissa Schultz

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Al Reichard, Sharon Mueller

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Joanna Thompson, who passed on to eternity Friday, July 21, and to the family of Rev. Richard Turner, who passed on to eternity on Saturday, July 29.

PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYERS: Mark Abbe, Marilyn Ashmall, Ed Babinski, David Barker, Barry Brown, Myrna Cammin, Judy Dawe, Bonnie & Pat Dole, Esther Cavendish Fisher, Wayne Henney, Dr. Kirk Herrick, Marion Hoffman, Sarah Kettlehohn, Barb Kropp, Marilyn Latimer, Joyce Maltman, Camille Marek, Bonnie Markley, John Mertz, Merlyn Mondol, Bob & Sharon Mueller, Wendy Southgate Murphy, Al & Teddy Reichard, Madge Richmond, Anne Ruffle, Eugenia Shek, Mac Thompson, and Dorothy Woods. Also, please pray for UMCOR, the sick, all suffering from famine/oppression/wildfires, and an end to war in Ukraine.

ADULT SUMMER BOOK STUDY – each summer, Pastor Amy leads a book study on a relevant social issue. This summer, we're studying "Common Ground: Talking About Gun Violence in America" by Donald V. Gaffney. Books are \$12 from the office, but no one will be excluded if they can't buy the book.

IN PERSON CLASS – Tuesdays at 6pm on 7/25, 8/1, 8/8, and 8/15.

ZOOM ONLINE CLASS – Wednesdays at 7:30pm on 7/26, 8/2, 8/9, and 8/16.

DISTRICT BLOCK PARTY AT AMES UMC BUILDING – Thursday, August 24 from 2:00-5:00pm. Volunteers need to help cook hot dogs and set up food, oversee kids bounce house / crafts, hand out school supplies, and talk to neighborhood residents about needs and dreams.

FREE COMMUNITY MEALS are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, continuing this Tuesday, Aug. 8. Volunteer to work here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044DAFAC2BA0FD0-community>
Sign up to donate food here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044DAFAC2BA0FD0-food2>

COFFEE HOUR hosts needed. Sign up at the welcome desk or sign up and view instructions online here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044DAFAC2BA0FD0-coffee>. You may also call the church office at (989) 799-0131 to sign up. Thank you!

THE SCHOOL BACKPACK PROGRAM helps families facing food insecurity. Please consider adopting a student or two for the 2023-24 school year. It costs the church \$150 per child to feed them for an entire school year. Currently, we feed 72 children every weekend. Thank you all!!

A NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY is in the works to be published by Sept. 10, but we need your help. Please view the preliminary print-out at the Welcome Desk to check your information and correct as needed. If you're new and your information isn't there, please add it. You may also call the church office at (989) 799-0131 to check your information and make corrections. Thank you!

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