

Collaboration



*The harvest is bigger than you can
imagine, but there are few workers.*

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18th Sunday after Pentecost



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Welcome to all God's guests, especially those who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community, communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

**Children are always welcome in worship services;
however please know the cry room at the back of the sanctuary is
available for parents who need to tend to their little ones.**

Please silence your cellphone at this time

Welcome to Worship

Call to Worship

P The world needs to change, and that can make us want to go to our room and hide. Because there is so much that needs to be done.

All Pain needs to be acknowledged.

P Reparations must be made. Justice must be done. That feels like a lot. And so, we must remember that we are not called to be changemakers on our own.

All We are called together.

P We are called in community, and we are called alongside people of faith and goodwill around the world. The world needs to change, but we will not change it alone.

All We are called together, and vested with the power of the Holy Spirit.

P We are called to follow the way of Jesus.
We are the changemakers, and we are getting ready!

All May we be changed by this time of worship!

ONE VOICE

Ruth Moody
arr. Marcelline Moody



This is the sound of one__



__voice, One spi-rit, one__voice, The sound of one who makes a__



__choice__ This is the sound of one__voice__ This is the sound of one__



__voice.

P Faithful God, we are called to make change together, but working with other people is hard. Let us confess the times that we have failed to be in community.

Holy One, you are a God of relationships. Hence, the Trinity!

***All* You call us to be in relationship.
You call us to be changemakers together.**

P But all too often, we try to make change on our own.

***All* We say it is because the need is too urgent,
but the truth is, we don't want to take time to listen to others.**

WA We say it is because we work best alone, but the truth is, we don't want to give up control. We say that we don't need other people, but the truth is, we are just afraid to be vulnerable.

***All* Forgive us.**

**For the ways in which we have failed to love others,
and in turn, to love you, we ask your forgiveness.**

Forgive us for when we failed to trust.

Forgive us for when we failed to risk vulnerability.

Forgive us, and change us again.

Remake us into the Body of Christ.

**Re-member us as one community so that we, together,
can be changemakers in the world. Amen.**

P Hear this assurance of Good News: Jesus said he would be with us always. This is the nature of the Divine—we are never alone. The presence of God was made real to humanity through Jesus, and the Spirit is the Advocate that Jesus said would remain in every breath of our lives and beyond.

P Made in the image of this Divine Love, our true nature is to be with and for one another. It is part of who we are, and we have everything we need to unleash this collaborative spirit.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of ✝ the Holy Spirit
Our sins are FORGIVEN and FORGOTTEN.



Greeting

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

All And also with you.

Prayer for This Day

P Holy One, help us to hear the Gospel as if for the first time.

All Free us of our self-centeredness, and help us to see how this Good News is for our wider community and the entire world.

May this story show us the way
to become a compassion-driven changemaker, like Jesus,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

You may be Seated

Lectio Divina—A Reading from Mark the 6th chapter

Last week, we began reading another scripture that we will hear every week of this series. It is the story of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes from the Gospel of Mark. We are hearing various versions of the story in order to discover something new each week about the nature of changemaking. Repeating a scripture multiple times is an ancient Christian tradition called “lectio divina.” Hear now another version of this story:

The apostles then rendezvoused with Jesus and reported on all that they had done and taught. Jesus said, “Come off by yourselves; let’s take a break and get a little rest.” For there was constant coming and going. They didn't even have time to eat.

So they got in the boat and went off to a remote place by themselves. Someone saw them going and the word got around. From the surrounding towns people went out on foot, running, and got there ahead of them. When Jesus arrived, he saw this huge crowd. At the sight of them, his heart broke—like sheep with no shepherd they were. He went right to work teaching them.

When his disciples thought this had gone on long enough—it was now quite late in the day—they interrupted: “We are a long way out in the country, and it’s very late. Pronounce a benediction and send these folks off so they can get some supper.”

Jesus said, “You do it. Fix supper for them.”

They replied, “Are you serious? You want us to go spend a fortune on food for their supper?”

But he was quite serious. “How many loaves of bread do you have? Take an inventory.”

That didn’t take long. “Five,” they said, “plus two fish.”

Jesus got them all to sit down in groups of fifty or a hundred—they looked like a patchwork quilt of wildflowers spread out on the green grass! He took the five loaves and two fish, lifted his face to heaven in prayer, blessed, broke, and

gave the bread to the disciples, and the disciples in turn gave it to the people. He did the same with the fish. They all ate their fill. The disciples gathered twelve baskets of leftovers. More than five thousand were at the supper.

Mark 6:30-44 (The Message)

WA The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand in body or spirit.

This is the sound of voi ces three, Sing-in' to ge-ther in har mon

ny, Sur - ren-der ing to the my -ste ry This is the sound of voi ces

three, This is the sound of voi ces three.

Gospel Reading

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

After these things, the Lord commissioned seventy-two others and sent them on ahead in pairs to every city and place he was about to go. He said to them, “The harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest. Go! Be warned, though, that I’m sending you out as lambs among wolves. Carry no wallet, no bag, and no sandals. Don’t even greet anyone along the way. Whenever you enter a house, first say, ‘May peace be on this

house.’ If anyone there shares God’s peace, then your peace will rest on that person. If not, your blessing will return to you. Remain in this house, eating and drinking whatever they set before you, for workers deserve their pay. Don’t move from house to house. Whenever you enter a city and its people welcome you, eat what they set before you. Heal the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘God’s kingdom has come upon you.’ Whenever you enter a city and the people don’t welcome you, go out into the streets and say, ‘As a complaint against you, we brush off the dust of your city that has collected on our feet. But know this: God’s kingdom has come to you.’”

Luke 10:1-11 (CEB)

P The Gospel of our Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

You may be Seated

Children’s Sermon & Noisy Offering

Sermon

Pr. Debra Jimenez

Hymn of the Day

When the Poor Ones
Cuando el pobre

Please stand in body or spirit.



1	When the poor ones,	who have noth-ing,	still are giv-ing;
2	When com-pas-sion	gives the suf-f'ring	con-so-la-tion;
3	When our spir-its,	like a chal-ice,	brim with glad-ness;
4	When the good-ness	poured from heav-en	fills our dwell-ings;



when the thirst - y pass the cup, wa - ter to share;
when ex - pect - ing brings to birth hope that was lost;
when our voic - es, full and clear, sing out the truth;
when the na - tions work to change war in - to peace;



when the wound-ed of - fer oth - ers strength and heal - ing:
when we choose love, not the ha - tred all a - round us:
when our long - ings, free from en - vy, seek the hum - ble:
when the strang-er is ac - cept-ed as our neigh-bor:



We see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way;



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Apostles' Creed

P Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith
with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,**

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

You may be Seated

Prayers of the People

WA Gracious God as we come to you in prayer,
we bring thoughts of those who are no longer with us.
We call to mind those we know need our prayers.
We also call to mind the concerns of this world.

Holy — Loving — Changemaking God,
be present with any and all who are hoping for
relief, new beginnings, help, and healing.
Help us to be with and for one another,
claiming our identity as disciples of Jesus,
the Changemaker of our lives.

All **Ooooh, Ooooooh, We Lift Up Our Prayers.**
 (Repeat throughout)

Leader For the planet, for its people.
 For the church and it's many shapes of steeples.
 For the hungry, for the cold.
 For the young and for the old.
 For our joy and for our pain.
 For the sunshine for the rain.
 For the dying, for the sick.
 For our loved ones and the glue that makes us stick.
 For our leaders for their minds.
 For your wisdom as to how we draw our lines.
 For the world and its frantic pace.
 For the places where we find deeper space.
 For all yearning hearts beneath the sun.
 For the chance for a prayer for everyone.
 For our words and for our silence. (Pause)

All **Ooooh, Ooooooh, Ahhhmen.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Jesus Christ become peace with you.

All **And also with you.**

You may be Seated

Offertory



Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray:

You alone, O God, by your gracious and life-giving Spirit,
have power to knit our imperfect hearts,
our weaknesses, our strengths, our stories,
and our gifts, one to another.

All Unite Your people and multiply our meager offerings, O Lord,
that all might resound to Your glory. Amen.

Holy Communion

P The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WA Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him, we find our purpose,
seeking to serve his purposes in our lives.
Your Spirit anointed him to bring change for those who needed it most:
to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.
He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P And so, in remembrance of your wonder-filled acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves for changemaking as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

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 –
May we become what we have freely received
...the body of Christ.

By your Spirit, seal our connection with Christ,
our connection with each other,
and our connection to all the world through our ministry
until Christ comes in final victory
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

**All Through your Son Jesus Christ
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Invitation

P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the
cups in the center contain white grape juice.

Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant

Communion Songs

In Remembrance

Words and Music by
Ragan Courtney and Beryl Red



1. In re - mem - brance of Me, eat this bread. In re -

(2. In re) - mem - brance of Me, heal the sick. In re -



mem - brance of Me, drink this wine. In re - mem - brance of Me, pray for the

mem - brance of Me, feed the poor. In re - mem - brance of Me, o - pen the

1 2



time when God's own will is done. 2. In re in, let him

door and let your broth - er



in. Take, eat, and be com - fort - ed, drink and re -



mem - ber, too, that this is My bod - y and pre - cious blood shed for



you, shed for you. 3. In re - mem - brance of Me, search for truth.



In re - mem - brance of Me, al - ways love. In re - mem - brance of Me



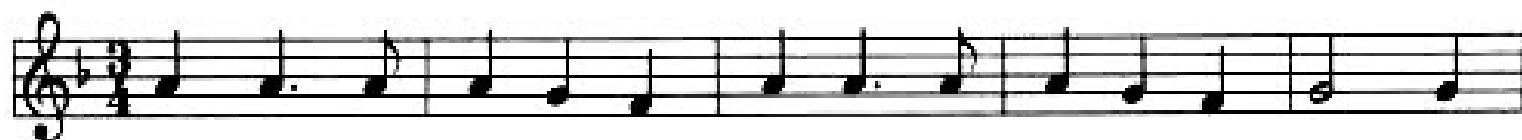
don't look a - bove, but in your heart, look in your heart for



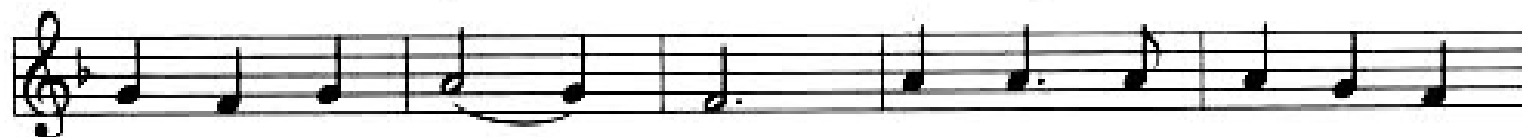
God. Do this in re - mem - brance of Me. _____

Refrain

Bind us together



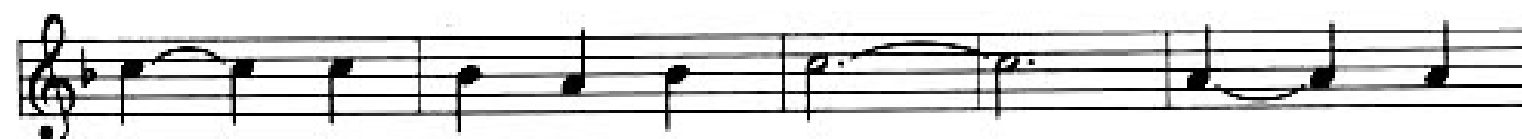
Bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er with cords that



can - not be bro - ken. Bind us to - geth - er, Lord,



bind us to - geth - er, Lord, bind us to - geth - er in love.



1 There is on - ly one God.

There is

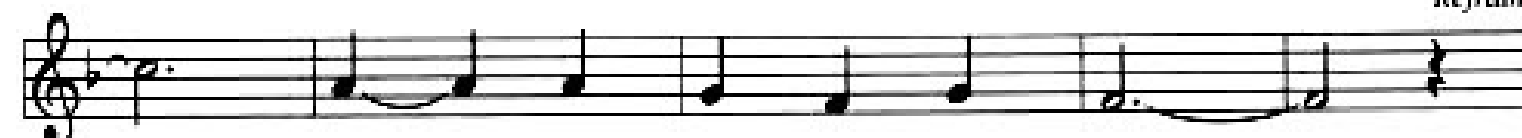
2 You are the fam - 'ly of God.

You are the



on - ly one King.
prom - ise di - vine.

There is on - ly one Bod - y;
You are God's cho - sen de - sire, . . .



that is why we can sing:
you are the glo - rious new wine.

Refrain

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

Please stand in body or spirit.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All Amen

P Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.

All Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen

You may be Seated

Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements

Benediction

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Blessed are the changemakers.
Blessed are you who are not asleep
to the world's pain and suffering.
Blessed are you who lament for the way things are.
Blessed are you who know, to the depth of your bones,
that this is not how things are meant to be.
Blessed are you for not believing the lie that
this is how they will always remain.
Blessed are you who know that things can change,
who long for things to change.
Blessed are you whose life's ambition is to bring the change
that is justice and mercy for all.
Blessed are you who know that God has always employed the faithful
acts of ordinary people to heal and change this world.
Blessed are you who know that change begins today,
change begins with us, ✝
and that we are blessed to be the changemakers.
Let the people say...

All Amen.

Sending

This is the sound of one voice, One people, one voice. A
song for every one of us, This is the sound of one
voice, This is the sound of one voice.

Dismissal

WA Now go into the world,
risking something big for something good.
Know that community is a vital resource for survival,
and that by working together, we can do great things.
And know that your passion will emerge from the nest
when the time is right... and fly!

All Thanks be to God.

Readings for next Sunday,
October 19th

Lectio Divina

Mark 6:30-44
(NRSVUE)

Gospel:

Luke 7:36-50 (CEB)

Revised Common Lectionary,
October 19th

First Reading:

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalm:

Psalm 121

Second Reading:

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

Gospel:

Luke 18:1-8

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