First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood

10:00 A.M.
Sunday, August 2, 2020

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome and Announcements

Organ Prelude
“Ruhig bewegt” (Sonata II) Paul Hindemith

We Address Ourselves to God

Call to Worship

Leader: You hear our cry for justice;
you hear our prayers for peace.

People: We seek the way of peace.
We are people full of hope.

Leader: We follow in your ways;
striving to be faithful.

People: When we call, you answer.
When we speak, you hear.

Leader: Your steadfast love is never-ending.
Your gracious mercy is forever.
Let us worship the Lord!

Hymn
“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” Hymn No. 509

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (The people joining)
God of blessing and compassion, your love transforms our lives into service for others. You take us as we are, break and bless us, and then send us out into the world to feed the hungry, tend the sick, and stand with those who are oppressed. Forgive us for all the ways we stand apart from you and from our neighbors in need. Forgive us for not offering all we are freely into your service. Forgive us our sin. Continue to do your work in our lives. Continue to humble us. Continue to bless us so that we might become a blessing for others. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confessions

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Confession
“We Are Forgiven”
We are forgiven, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God, thanks be to God!

The Passing of the Peace
Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.
**We Hear God's Word**

**First Reading**  
*Genesis 32:23-31*  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

**Solo**  
*“Sing With Grace In Your Heart”*  
GF Handel  
*Sing with grace unto the Lord. Sing with grace in your hearts, singing praises unto our God; giving thanks to God, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*  
*All our blessings come from Him, praise our God, praise the Lord.*  
*Great is our God, gracious and kind; sing with thanksgiving unto our God.*  
*Praise the Lord upon the harp; let all the nations sing His praise.*  
*Praise Him, sun and stars of light, singing songs of praise and thanksgiving unto the Lord.*

**Second Reading**  
*Matthew 14:13-21*  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon**  
*Cultivating Compassion*  
The Rev. Dr. David Holyan

**We Respond to God's Word**

**Hymn**  
*“Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”*  
Hymn No. 498

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*  
*For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**Offertory Sentences**

**Offertory Music**  
*“Lord of the Small”*  
text: Johanna Anderson  
music: Dan Forrest

*Praise to the Lord of the small, broken things, Who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing,*  
*Who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street, Who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.*  
*Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid, Who girds them with courage and lends them His aid;*  
*He pours out His Spirit on vessels so weak that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.*  
*Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill, Who heals their afflictions, or carries them till they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly, to never be sick, and never to die.*  
*Praise Him, O praise Him, all ye who yet live, who've been given so much and can so little give,*  
*Our frail, lisping praise God will never despise: He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.*

**Prayer of Dedication**
We Depart to Serve the Lord

Hymn

“God of Compassion, In Mercy Befriend Us”  Hymn No. 456

Benediction

Organ Postlude  “Springtanz”  Michael Praetorius

Worship Leaders:  The Rev. Dr. David Holyan, Pastor
                The Rev. Dr. Tom Glenn, Parish Associate

Music Ministry:  John Richey, soloist;
                Bill Stein, Director of Music Ministries

Live Stream Host: Ron Evens

Thank you for worshiping with us.
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly  509

1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev-er stran-gers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to-geth-er; Je-sus Christ is liv-ing bread.

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion’s love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.

Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

The United Church of Canada minister who wrote this text was introduced to shape note tunes at the 1990 Hymn Society conference in Charleston, South Carolina. Afterwards she vacationed with friends nearby and worked out this text while humming this tune as she walked up and down the beach.

TEXT: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1990
MUSIC: William Moore’s Columbian Harmony, 1825
HOLY MANNA
8.7.8.7.D
(alternate harmonization, 396)
Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G) (F) (Dm) (Bb)

1 Loaves were broken, words were spoken by the Galilean shore.
   Jesus, Bread of Life from heaven, was their room one night.
   In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you gather here.

2 Loaves were broken, words were spoken in a quiet place.
   Jesus speaks across the ages: "I am name to share bread for which the millions hunger, words that

3 Loaves are broken, words are spoken, as in faith we

4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

food forevermore.
came as Light from Light.
with you; do not fear!

By your body broken
tell your love and care.

for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Jesus, feed a

gain your people. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

TEXT: Herman C. Stuempfle Jr., 2005

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God of Compassion, in Mercy 436
Befriend Us

1. God of compassion, in mercy befriend us,
   Giver of grace for our needs all - availing.
   Wisdom and strength for each day ever send us,
   Patience un - tiring and courage un - fail - ing.

2. Though we are lost, you have sought us and found us,
   Stilled our rude hearts with your word of consoling.
   Wrap now your peace, like a mantle, a - round us,
   Guarding our thoughts and our passions control - ling.

3. How shall we stray, with your hand to direct us,
   You who the stars in their courses are guiding?
   What shall we fear, with your power to pro - tect us,
   We who walk forth in your greatness confiding?

By ending with questions rather than simple affirmations, this text conveys a strong sense of faith in God’s presence and guidance without ignoring how much of the future remains unknown. The confidence of the text is well matched by its sturdy 17th-century French tune.

TEXT: John J. Mowen, 1933, alt.
MUSIC: Paris Antiphoner, 1681; harm. La Feillée’s Méthode du plain-chant, 1808
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(this tune in a lower key, 503)