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SERVICE OF WORSHIP EIGHTTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST WORLD COMMUNION SUDAY

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GATHERING IN THE LORD'S NAME

WELCOME

WELCOMING PRAYER

God of glory, God of love, God of all, we lift up our voices today alongside our fellow Christians around the world. Today in unity, from our different spaces we join together to celebrate you, Holy God. Descend into our hearts and minds today and help us to feel the overwhelming power of your graces. Lift up our voices and songs in praise. Amen.

HYMN: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Jesus prayed that we might be one.

One in spirit

One in mission

In union and communion with each other and with You.

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Today, God, we confess fumblings and failures in accomplishing unity, as we set aside yet another day to remind ourselves of the task. On this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to

love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all! Amen.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

There is one God who offers grace and forgiveness. Let us believe the good news of forgiveness and love today. Amen.

ANTHEM: Meditation For Communion Althouse

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

SECOND READING: Matthew 20:1-16

MESSAGE Communion Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

HYMN: Let Us Break Bread Together

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

No matter the language spoken or the currency given God, we recognize that together we work for the Kingdom of God. Help us this day to use the gifts offered to spread peace. Allow our time, talent and money to work toward unity. Help us to see that which divides our communities and work to unify all under your Kingdom. We offer these blessings to you now in joyful hope of peace. Amen.

DOXOLOGY AND DEDICATION

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

CHARGE AND BLESSING

DISMISSAL Go Now In Peace

THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN

Dr. Gary de Sesa Director, Ministry of Music

Dr. Natalie Naylor Clerk of Session

Robert Gilmore Treasurer

Helen Lockman Asst. Treasurer
Dwight Dyer Financial Secretary

We welcome again to the pulpit the Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth.

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Burke Masterson

Dawn and John de Sesa

The James Haefele Family

The Mastrangelo Family

The Zarghami Family

Joe Terramoccia & Muoio Family

Emily & Dwight Dyer

Jonathan Dashiff & Family

Emma Steck

Eddie Balsamo

Rev. Stark Jones

Inesa Murphy

Kelly Eickenbrock

Helen Lockman

Terry Hinton

All who are struggling due to the Coronavirus outbreak And those who are on the front lines helping

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Then God spoke all these words: ²I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁷ You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹² Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³ You shall not murder. ¹⁴ You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You shall not

steal. ¹⁶ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. ¹⁸ When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, ¹⁹ and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." ²⁰ Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

Second Reading Matthew 20:1-16

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴ and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷ They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' 8 When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' 9 When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

HYMN

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Let us talents and tongues employ, Reaching out with a shout of joy: Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain:

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one. At the table He sets the tone, Teaching people to live to bless, Love in word and in deed express. (Refrain)

Jesus calls us in, sends us out Bearing fruit in a world of doubt, Gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere! (Refrain)

INTROIT

"Meditation For Communion" - Althouse

Bread of the world in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed, By whom the words of life are spoken And in whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed;

And be the feast to us the token, That by thy grace our souls are fed. Bread of the world in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed; And be the feast to us the token, That by thy grace our souls are fed. Bread of the world in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed. Amen, amen.

<u>HYMN</u>

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees.) When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Let us drink the cup together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us drink the cup together on our knees. (on our knees.) When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us praise God together on our knees. (on our knees.) When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen.