

# Sunday, August 9, 2020 10:30 Online Worship/ Worship in the Grove: Communion

Thank you for wearing a mask and practicing 6 feet of social distancing.

As you arrive, please visit the welcome tables to:

1. Sign In – we will verify your name and phone number.
2. Get a bulletin of the service or you can view it on your phone at :



3. Share your offerings.

**Today: Pick up your communion elements. Each bag has a pre-sealed cup of juice and a wafer for 1 person. A gluten free option is available. You will not be service in your seats.**

**GUESTS,** Welcome to worship. To learn more about us, please visit our website at [www.unionucc.org](http://www.unionucc.org) or like us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/unionneffs](http://www.facebook.com/unionneffs) . If you would like us to follow up with you contact Pastor Kris at 610-767-6961, [pastorkris@unionucc.org](mailto:pastorkris@unionucc.org)

Our next new member information session will be held on September 13 and 20 You will be welcomed as members in worship on Sunday, September 27. If you are interested in attending classes for new members let us know and we'd be glad to send you more information. Please contact Pastor Kris with any questions.

*We believe in extravagant welcome. We believe in God's inclusive love. We start worship with a greeting that reflects that welcome and love.*

*Leader: No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey and on faith's journey  
ALL: you are welcome here.*

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**Sound:** Mike Baer and Drew Panner

## Holy Communion

**Directions for Communion:** Everyone is welcome to this meal of love and grace.

**At Home:** Since we are worshipping virtually we invite you to take communion virtually. Please find a cracker, piece of bread or something to represent the body of Christ. And please find some juice, wine or water to represent the blood of Christ. When we get to that part of the service, the pastors will bless the elements and bless us as we share in this meal together.

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*Hymn

BLACK HYMNAL #393 Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

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1. Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The sharing of a common life is like to that above.
2. Before our God we come and pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
3. We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear,  
And often for each other flows a sympathizing tear
4. When we are called to part it gives us inward pain,  
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**L**You have called us, O Lord, by name, and we are here to worship our awesome God.

**C**We give God praise and thanks.

**L**You have given us, O Lord, the spirit of wisdom and strength.

**C**We give God praise and thanks.

**L**How good and pleasant it is, when Christians live together in peace. Through God's love, we have been transformed into a family that transcends time and space and any differences. Let us praise God for the gifts of grace and mercy, that we have received through God's great Spirit as children of God.

—Adapted from Psalm 133.

## PRAYER

**L**Lord Jesus, Teacher, this is what you want us to learn, not the world's wisdom, but God's. And so we pray, awaken us to our need of you in our lives,  
And you will give us your life.  
Move us with sorrow for the sorrow of the world,  
And you will make us strong through our tears.  
Give us the humility to admit our failures,  
And you will bring treasure out of them.  
Make us hungry for justice,  
And you will give us food that lasts.  
Help us to see others through your eyes,  
And you will show us ourselves with love.  
Show us how to practice what we preach,  
And we will see God in everyone.  
Support us in standing firm for truth, even when it costs,  
And the truth will also make us free.

--Kathy Galloway, ed., *The Pattern of Our Days* (Mahwah, N.J.: Paulist Press, 1996), 153-54.

## **OUTDOOR WORSHIP- CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Kayli Or Watch for Mrs. Bonsell on Facebook and our YouTube Channel During the Week**

### **SCRIPTURE**

#### **Galatians 3:23-28**

**23** Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed.

**24** Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith.

**25** But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian,

**26** for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

**27** As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**28** There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

#### **James 2:1-5**

**1** My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ?

**2** For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in,

**3** and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet,"

**4** have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?

**5** Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?

### **MESSAGE**

The Sneeches...A Divided Society

Rev. Kayli Freeman

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 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.**

## **OFFERING AND OFFERTORY**

**Outside Worship Offering** – we will not be collecting your offerings during the service. Please plan to share them at the welcome table as you arrive or as you leave worship. Thank you for being the church with us!

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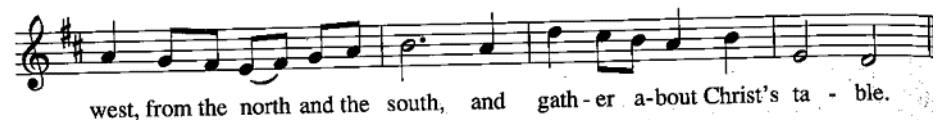
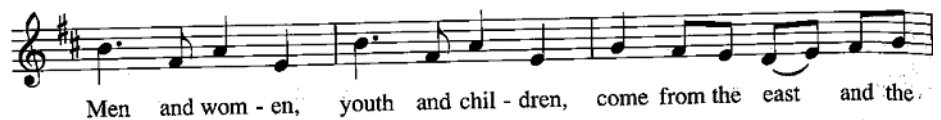
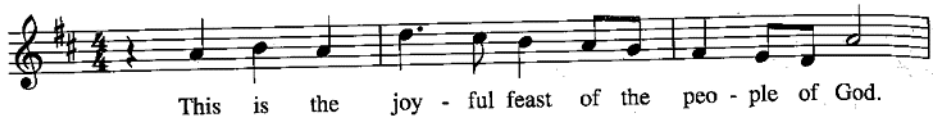
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① We are hungry. We are hungry for justice. We are hungry for love. We are hungry for acceptance. We are hungry for peace. We are hungry for food. We are hungry for God. Here at this table, we encounter the risen Christ who feeds us. Yes, with physical food, but also with spiritual food. The kind that sustains us and does not run out. So, come to this table and be fed by Christ. Heap your plates high with God's abundant grace and love. Dine on justice, and peace, and love. Be fed by God. This table is open to everyone.



## COMMUNION PRAYER

**L** May God be with you

**C** And also with you!

**L** Lift up your hearts

**C** We lift them up to God!

**L** Let us give thanks to God most high.

**C** It is right to give God thanks and praise!



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of the heav-en-ly host;



Heav-en and earth are full, are full of the maj-es-ty of your glo - ry,



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless-ed the one who comes in the name of our God,



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

**L** On the night in which 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 which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

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.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.”

## **BLESSING**

**L** So feed us Holy One, feed us so that we can feed the world with your peace, justice, acceptance, welcome, love, and, yes, actual food. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this bread and cup so that we may be fed by you to go out and do what you call us to. That we may have courage, energy, acceptance, and love to serve others who hunger. Meet us in the bread and wine. At this table, may we be nourished so that we may go out into the world and continue the work you called us to – to love, serve, and care in your name. Amen.

## **SHARING THE BREAD and CUP**

**L** The gifts of God for the people of God. Take and eat, take and drink.

## **MUSIC OFFERING**

Mike Baer, guitar

## **\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**ALL: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **\*BLESSING**

Our worship has ended, but it's gifts remain:  
Tuck its praise inside you.  
Take it's goodness with you.  
Drink from its wells of lasting peace. Live by its light, its courage and grace, and don't be afraid.  
Seek to serve. In plenty or want, find ways to share.  
Discern the truth and tell it, resist all wrong, and don't be



afraid.

Regard all people as your people.

In hard times and good take care of yourself, take care of your people, and don't be afraid.

And may the blessing of God, our life, the friendship of Christ, our healing, and the daring of the Spirit, our truth, be ours today and every day to come.

Amen.

--Mary Luti, *Litany of Sending and Blessing* contributed to: "Emerge: Blessings & Rituals for Unsheltering"

### \*HYMN

BLACK HYMNAL #395 In Christ There is No East or West  
***The current recommendation for congregational singing is that it should happen only if people are wearing masks. Please keep your mask on for all singing and throughout worship.***

1. In Christ there is no East or West, in Christ no South or North  
But one community of love throughout the whole wide earth.
2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;  
God's service is the golden cord close binding humankind
3. In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, and neither slave nor free;  
For men and women live in God, and all are kin to me.
4. In Christ now meet both East and West, in Christ meet South and North;  
One joyous, true community throughout the whole wide earth.

### POSTLUDE