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We Worship, We Love, We Serve –
No Matter What!

October 2, 2022
8:15 am & 10:45 am

World Communion Sunday
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Order of Worship

~ We Worship ~

*** Those who are comfortably able, please stand**

Welcome to St. John's UCC, Fullerton! We are a place where love can grow!

*As the music begins, please find your place and begin
to center your spirit for our worship of God together*

Prelude

8:15am: *I Am the Bread of Life*
Suzanne Toolan, Arr. by Edwin T. Childs

10:45am: *In Remembrance*
Buryl Red & Ragan Courtney
Arr. by Lloyd Larson

Jubilation Choir

Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Steven Davis

***Greeting and Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

***Call to Worship**

From UCC Worship Ways

One: Increase our faith!

**All: Let our worship uncover clearer understandings of
you.**

One: Increase our trust!

All: Let our worship unearth stronger connections to you.

One: Increase our hope!

**All: Let our worship unleash fresher possibilities from
you.**

***Opening Hymn**

Praise and Thanksgiving
Verses 1 and 2

Praise and Thanksgiving 722

Unison C

C/E Dm7/F G7 F/C C

1 Praise and thanks-giv-ing, God, we would of-fer
 2 God bless the la-bor we bring to serve you;
 3 You are pro-vid-ing food for your chil-dren,
 4 Then will your bless-ing reach ev-ery peo-ple.

C Em Am C/E Am/F# Gsus G7

for all things liv-ing, you have made good;
 that with our neigh-bor we may be fed.
 your wis-dom guid-ing teach-es us share
 all lands con-fess-ing your gra-cious hand.

C F Dm7 C/E Am D/F#

har-vest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
 Sow-ing or till-ing, we would work with you;
 one with an-oth-er so that, re-joic-ing,
 Where you are reign-ing no one will hun-ger.

Em/G C F G7 C

hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood,
 har-vest-ing, mill-ing for dai-ly bread.
 oth-ers may know you and praise your care.
 your love sus-tain-ing, fruit-ful the land.

WORDS: Albert F. Bayly (1901-1984), alt.
 MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Jack Schrader (1942-)

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Prayer of Confession

From UCC Worship Ways

One: We don't always get what you mean, Storytelling Jesus.
We want to be better followers, so we exclaim, "Increase our faith!"

All: **Your response exposes our flawed approach, well-intentioned though it may be. Forgive us for transacting our faith for your favor. Amen.**

(Time for Silent prayer)

Words of Assurance

One: God's abundance is illogical and immeasurable. Though we may not understand it, we are yet worthy of basking in the undeserved goodness of God. Praise be!

All: **Praise be! Amen.**

(10:45) Children's Message

(10:45) Hymn

One Bread One Body

Verses 1 and 2

Found on page 4 of the bulletin

***Scripture Reading**

2 Timothy 1:11-14

(8:15) Janet Ebert

(10:45) Linda Powell

*Please stand in body or in spirit for the reading of God's Word.

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Sermon

Rev. Davis

"A Grateful Heart"

(8:15) Hymn

One Bread One Body

Verses 1 and 2

Found on page 4 of the bulletin

One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
 one cup of bless - ing which we bless. And
 we, though man-y, through-out the earth,
 we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

Verses

1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
 2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
 3. Grain for the fields, scat - ered and grown,
 wom - an or man no more.
 one in the Lord of all.
 gath - ered to one for all.

D.C.

Text: 1 Corinthians 10:16; 17, 12:4; Galatians 3:28; the *Didache* 9; John Foley, SJ, b.1939
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(10:45) Special Music

This One Table
 Joel Raney

The Chancel and Jubilation Choirs

~ We Love ~

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Davis

God of many names, in faith we name these persons and needs before you, trusting you to bring your peace, healing and hope to people and circumstances. Hear our prayers for...

We offer our prayer in the name of Jesus, the Christ, whose heart of love and table of grace draw us together to pray, saying...

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**

Praise Response

*Give Thanks
Henry Smith*

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks, because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks, because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks.*

Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Please sign the communion book in the back of the church
if you have not done so at a service of communion in 2022.*

We Are an Inclusive Community!

In the United Church of Christ, we observe an
“open communion.” ALL persons are welcome to receive
the gifts of God's grace and love with us at the table.

In the UCC, ALL means ALL!

Today's liturgy is from *Bread for the World: World Communion Liturgy*
(2016) by Rev. Heather Prince Doss, founder of Progressive Pilgrimage

The Invitation to Receive

Matzah is unleavened bread...

We pray, O God, for your church among those with no place to call home. May we learn from their searching faith, and may we be a place of welcome for all who seek safety.

Frybread reminds us of Africa...

May we learn from the vibrant faith of our African brothers and sisters, and may we build a more just and peaceable world.

Mantou is a traditional bread of China...

May we learn from the steadfast faith of our Asian sisters and brothers and walk with Jesus through every trial.

Tortillas remind us of Central and South America...

We pray, O God, for your church in places beset by violence and still colored by hope. May we learn from the persistent faith of our Latino and Latina neighbors, and may we look upon them with compassion as our siblings.

The baguette reminds us of Europe...

We pray, O God, for your church in places where its power is diminished and its followers are few. May we learn from the age-old faith of our European brothers and sisters, and may we live our faith so that our faith might live.

Cornbread reminds us of Native Americans...

We pray, O God, for your church as it exists in every land. May we learn from the earthy faith of our Indiginous peoples and care for the land and all those who call it home.

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell in your people...

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell in these breads and in this cup that they might be for us the life and love of Christ, so we may be the body of Christ in every corner of the world today. Amen.

Words of Institution and Consecration

Sung Response

This is the Body of Christ

This Is the Body of Christ

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/8. The lyrics are: "This is the Bod-y of Christ, bro-ken that we may be whole; this cup, as prom-ised by God, true to his word, cra-dles our Lord: food for the good of the soul." The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

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Sharing the Meal

As the minister directs, all are welcome to come using the center aisle to any of the stations to receive the gifts of communion. If you are unable to come forward, servers will bring the elements to you. Once you have received, please return to your seats by the side aisles. We celebrate having our consistory elders and deacons serving on World Communion Sunday.

Music During the Sharing the Meal

Take and Eat
Michael Joncas, Arr. by Paul Tate

Prayer of Thanksgiving *From the United Church of Australia*
We give you thanks O Lord, for all food that has arrived at our table from your generosity. Bless the people who have made it possible, from the cultivation of the earth until it arrived to us. Give bread to those who are hungry, and to those who have bread give us hunger for you. Amen.

Offering Our Gifts, Tithes and Offerings to God



Thank you for your generosity and
faithfulness in
supporting the ministry of
St. John's UCC!

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

***Prayer of Dedication** *From UCC Worship Ways*

One: We thank you for these gifts of money, time, and selves
that we cheerfully give to you, multiplying God.

All: **Expand and bless every single one in service to you
and the work you've called us to do. Amen.**

~ We Serve ~

***Hymn** (Pg. 9 of the bulletin)

Table of the World
Verses 1 and 2

***The Benediction**

Rev. Davis

Postlude

Prelude in C
J. S. Bach

TABLE OF THE WORLD

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Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Pt. II, 1813

Words and Arr. Tony Alonso



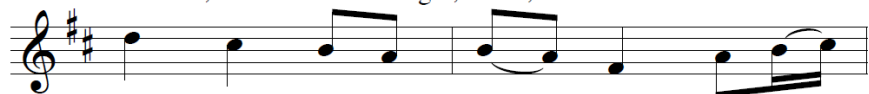
1. From the ta - ble of Christ Je - sus to the
2. From the ta - ble of Christ Je - sus to the
3. From the ta - ble of Christ Je - sus to the



ta - ble of the world, now to live the Gos - pel
ta - ble of the world, we are nour - ished by this
ta - ble of the world, we re - turn to dai - ly



vi - sion of a land where good - ness reigns— not to
ban - quet; may we nour - ish all we meet. Sing of
la - bor, lives of hun - ger, fear, and need. All trans -



seek the beg - gar's "thank you," not for
grace and sing of mer - cy, sing of
formed here in our meet - ing, all who



earth - ly, vain re - ward, but to do the work of
love that brings forth peace. May we hum - bly serve all
strug - gle to be - lieve: Let us go forth from this



jus - tice, lay - ing down the an - gry sword.
peo - ple, share the rich - ness of this feast.
ta - ble to be - come what we re - ceive.

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WORSHIP & MUSIC - Opportunities to Serve

As we expand to two Sunday worship services, there are many opportunities to assist with worship leadership!

Please sign up to be an usher/greeter, or scripture reader.

Sponsor the wheat basket at the altar to support the food bank. Sponsor altar flowers on a Sunday. Help with worship tech/sound!

Altar Flowers/Wheat Basket

One vase in memory of Albert and Betty D'Argenio on their anniversary by daughter Karen Stoitsits

The wheat basket on the altar is in honor of music ministry and in celebration of world communion Sunday by Ellen Sagazio

In Our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers all those who are ill or are in our area hospitals: Phillis Ambeable, Richard Baatz, Bob Beckwith, Andi Dallago, Shirley Downing, Tracey Glass, Ron Glass, Ginny Hess, Ted Hess, Geraldine Keim, Roger Knauss, Alan Miller, Dave Mohr, Karen Moyer, Tom Moyer, Marina Newton, Eleanor O'Donnell, Jack Ohl, Joey Raszler, Marietta Seyfried, Madeline Slivka and Nancy Weaver.

Serving in Worship Leadership

October 2

Ushers 8:15 - Bill Fink, Amy Fiedler, Cindy Reck, Brian Fisher, Janet Ebert & Wayne Lichtenwalner

10:45 - Wayne Lichtenwalner, Brian Fisher, Bill Fink, Amy Fiedler, DonnaLee Yeatts, Janet Ebert, Cindy Reck, and Gary Black

Worship Tech 8:15 - Michelle Gutekunst & Susan Rarich

10:45 - Jesus Pagan

October 9

Ushers 8:15 - Karen Stoitsits & Colleen Kulhamer

10:45 - Sharon Czekner, Bob Czekner & Staci Pagan

Worship Tech 8:15 - Susan Rarich 10:45 - Michelle Gutekunst

Attendance - September 25

Onsite - 8:15-36 10:45- 49 Online-37 Total Onsite--85

CHILDREN'S BIBLES

If your child did not receive a Bible in 2nd grade or for Confirmation, please be in touch with the church office.

FROM THE CONSISTORY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Save the Date! Wednesday, November 23

5:30pm Meal in Fox Hall / 7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

In the coming weeks, we will announce more detailed plans to honor Pastor Dave Quinn for his ministry with St. John's UCC, Fullerton and express our gratitude.

FALL WORSHIP & FAITH FORMATION

It's never too late to register and attend our Faith Formation (Sunday School) or Confirmation Class, (7th-8th graders) at 9:30am between the Sunday services. Register on our website!

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offerings received in the last week of September were \$52,872, a combination of offerings received electronically, in the mail, and in the Sunday offering plate. This brings our total offerings for September to \$16,863, \$5,637 short of our monthly target of \$22,500 in offerings. We continue to run behind on income sufficient to meet 100% of the month's expenses and continue to see a downward trend in giving. Through August, we are \$24,695 behind in overall income compared to expenses. We will add to this loss in September.

Church Calendar for the Week of Oct 2-Oct 9, 2022

Sun, 10/2	8:15 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Faith Formation/Confirmation Class
	10:45 am	Worship Service
Mon, 10/3	1:00 pm	CROP Walk
	1:00 pm	Private Party in Fox Hall
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
Tues, 10/4	7:00 pm	Jubilation Choir
	9:30 am	Staff Meeting
Wed, 10/5	6:30 pm	Stewardship and Finance
	9:00 am	Verso Chat
	6:30 pm	STARS
Fri, 10/7	6:30 pm	Zumba
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir
	6:00 pm	Gift Card Bingo
Sat, 10/8	9:30 am	Zumba
Sun, 10/9	8:15 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Faith Formation/Confirmation Class
	10:45 am	Worship Service
		Newsletter articles due