

We Gather to Worship God

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seem like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach
Largo e spiccata (from Concerto in D)

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 439 Paderborn
We Utter Our Cry
Sts. 1-3 & 6

* OPENING DIALOGUE

We are your people! Lord, what are you calling us to do to feed the world?

Our world needs God's healing touch and restoration. Wherever our journey goes, God is with us. Yes, we are seeking God's healing touch and hope. We are being sent forth to live your will!

Today, we are asking God to send us into this world two by two to witness holy boldness. With these hands and feet, God is healing hearts, transforming lives, renewing souls, raising us from death, and granting this new day!

Yes, we are seeking God's healing touch! You are known as the one who draws crowds and feeds the hungry around the world!

What is our call today? We will worship an awesome God who sends forth healing to a dark world.

Let us worship God this day as new life comes forth in the name of Jesus Christ!

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried,
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 70

Meineke

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God's promise of forgiveness,
let us confess our sin against God and one another.
(silence is kept for reflection)

Eternal God our creator,
in you we live and move and have our being.

**Look upon us, your children,
the work of your hands.
Forgive us all our offenses,
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you,
our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Amen.

* THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

**All may exchange signs of peace.*

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD ~

ANTHEM *In the Garden* Austin Miles
Lib Wellons, *soprano*; Jimmy Brown, *tenor*

THE FIRST LESSON 2 Samuel 11:1-15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him

to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 145:8-14 Amazing Grace

*Beyond all bounds, God's graciousness
And kindness still extend;
The Lord is ever slow to wrath,
His mercy has no end.*

*His mercy rest on all his works,
His love on everyone;
Your faithful servants bless you, Lord,
And all that you have done.*

*The glory of your kingdom and
Your power they proclaim;
That peoples all may know your power;
The splendor of your reign.*

*Through every age your throne remains,
Your kingdom will endure;
The Lord shows love in all his deeds,
And all his words are sure.*

THE SECOND LESSON Ephesians 3:14-21

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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ANTHEM *Know My Heart* Benjamin Harlan

* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 6:1-21

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had

given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Mr. Josh

Children ages three through first-grade may go to Children's Church in room 123. Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.

SERMON

Take, Bless, Break, Give

Rev. Kyle Randle

~ **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD** ~

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS No. 38

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 599**

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Bread of Life

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Arioso
Kim Carey, *flute*, Melinda Hyman, *piano*

Bach

* **PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Doxology No. 95

~ **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD** ~

* **THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 427**

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Germany

* **BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

* **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

* **CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Benedetto Marcello
The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

* **CONGREGATION STANDING**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in recognition and appreciation of all who volunteer their time and service to our church by Glenda Sweet

Serving This Sunday, July 29

Altar Guild: Lynn Hammond, Amy Hickman, Betty Huggins, Glenda Sweet, Kim Wright

Acolytes and Crucifer: Leighton Petkovsek, Charley Levy, Chad Steinfield

Bus Duty: Jimmy Hammond

Children's Church: William and Jill Nelson

Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Lynn Hammond

Trustee Duty: Joe Hunter Hyman, Cathy Senn

Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks, Dave Carey

Ushers: Phil Thompson (Chairman), William Chappell, Danny Clonts, Travis Dannelly, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Richard Jordan, Ken Senn, Frank Watts, Chris Wright

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, July 29

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet with Rev. Kyle / Family Life Center (FLC)
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary

Monday, July 30

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

Tuesday, July 31

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, August 1

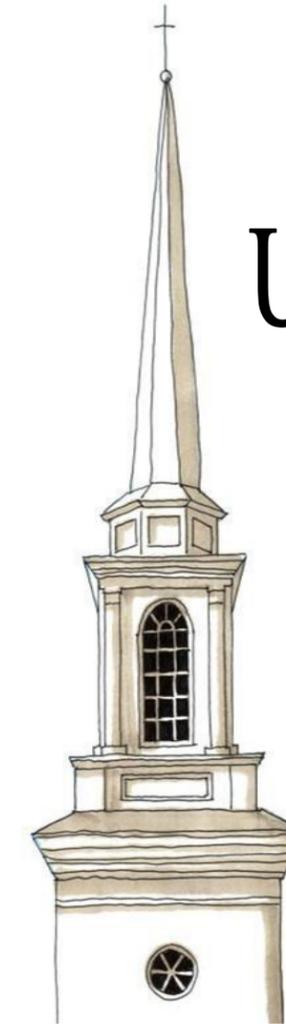
Lifetouch Picture Day
8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing
9:30 a.m. Sandwich Making Wednesday / FLC

Thursday, August 2

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

Friday, August 3

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC



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Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
July 29, 2018
10:30 a.m.



Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.