

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



**We are called to reach out to
all people and model diversity
among God's children – just as
we are all welcome at Christ table**



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(The congregation will please stand as able
(BOLD-FACED TYPE) Congregation responds*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Silent Prayer and time for Centering

Prelude

*CALL TO WORSHIP: ***

Creator of the universe,

you bring forth all Creation, and we belong.

You give birth to all peoples;

you create one human family, and we belong.

You feed us with your love;

**you make of us one Body in your Spirit,
and we belong.**

So we come,

**people of every race and nation and tribe and people,
to worship together and to feast on your love.**

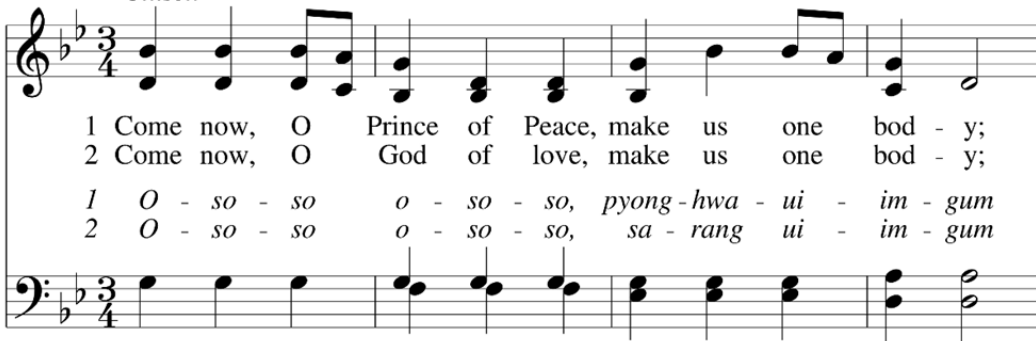
Alleluia!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Come Now, O Prince of Peace 157

O-so-so

Unison



1 Come now, O Prince of Peace, make us one bod - y;
2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y;

1 O - so - so o - so - so, pyong - hwa - ui - im - gum
2 O - so - so o - so - so, sa - rang ui - im - gum



come, O Lord Je - sus, re - con - cile your peo - ple.
come, O Lord Je - sus, re - con - cile your peo - ple.

u - ri - ga han - mon i - ru - ge ha so - so.
u - ri - ga han - mon i - ru - ge ha so - so.

3 Come now and set us free,
O God our Savior;
come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all nations.

3 O-so-so o-so-so
cha-yu ui-im-gumm
u-ri-ga han-mon
i-ru-ge ha-so-so.

4 Come, Hope of unity,
make us one body;
come, O Lord Jesus,
reconcile all nations.

4 O-so-so o-so-so
tong-il ui-im-gum,
u-ri-ga han-mon
i-ru-ge ha-so-so.

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O-SO-SO

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Silence for Personal Confession

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

"The World Methodist Social Affirmation" UMH 886

We believe in God,

creator of the world and of all people;

and in Jesus Christ incarnate among us,

who died and rose again;

and in the Holy Spirit,

present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

We believe; God, help our unbelief.

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom:

in the upholding of human dignity and community;

in every expression of love, justice, and reconciliation;

in each act of self-giving on behalf of others;

in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us

that all may have enough;

in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

Glory be to God on high;

and on earth, peace.

We confess our sin, individual and collective.

by silence or action:

through the violation of human dignity

based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith;

through the exploitation of people

because of greed and indifference;

through the misuse of power in personal,

communal, national, and international life;

through the search for security

by those military and economic forces
that threaten human existence;

through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth
and all life upon it.

**Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy.**

We commit ourselves individually and as a community
to the way of Christ:
to take up the cross;
to seek abundant life for all humanity;
to struggle for peace with justice and freedom;
to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love,
praying that God's kingdom may come.

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

"This affirmation was adopted by the World Methodist Council when it met at Nairobi, Kenya, in 1986. It had been drawn up by the Council's Social and International Affairs Committee in a process that included the following: (a) all member denominations were invited to send a copy of their current statement of social principles; (b) representatives of each region of world Methodist met for a week and after intensive Bible study and examination of all the social principles statements formulated a first draft; (c) this draft was sent back to the member denominations for their response; and (d) the responses received were the basis of revisions in preparing the final draft for submission to the World Methodist Council, from which the hymnal version was drawn." (The Worship Resources of The United Methodist Hymnal, Hoyt L. Hickman, Volume Editor. Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1989. pp. 201-202) Used by Permission of United Methodist Publishing House, PO Box 801 Nashville TN 37202 for use in public worship.

Passing the Peace of Christ

THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: Philippians 2:1-13 (Pg 954)

ANTHEM

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,
thy perfect love close in my breast
that I thee love and never rest;
and make me love thee of all things the best,
and wound my heart in thy love free,
that I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

Therefore, be a reflection of God,
as dearly loved children;
and lead a life of love,
just as Christ has loved us
and gave himself for us.

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,
thy perfect love close in my breast
that I thee love and never rest;
and make me love thee of all things the best,
and wound my heart in thy love free,
that I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

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TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

(When children are present)

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Fairest Lord Jesus

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1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, rul - er of all na - ture,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair - er still the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!

O thou of God and man the Son,
robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring:
and all the twin - kling, star - ry host:
Son of God and Son of man!

thee will I cher - ish, thee will I hon - or,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown!
who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
than all the an - gels heaven can boast.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

WORDS: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677
MUSIC: Schlesische Volkslieder, 1842

CRUSADER'S HYMN
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Please remain standing for the reading of the Gospel.

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 21:23-32

(Pg. 802)

For the word of God in Scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

71 Glory Be to the Father

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 two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men. A - men.'

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.
MUSIC: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

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SERMON *Pastor Ho-Soon Han*

"God Who Is at Work in Us"

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

John Foley, S.J.

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

Verses

one Lord. 1. Gen-tile or Jew, ser-vant or
2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and

to Refrain

1. free, wom - an or man, no more.
2. works, one in the Lord of all.
3. grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

Text: Based on 1 Corinthians 10:16–17; 12:4, 12–13, 20; Galatians 3:28; Ephesians 4:4–6; The Didache 9.
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PRAYER SONG

Mayenziwe / Your Will Be Done

Ma - ye - (Ma - ye) nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma -
Your will (Your will) be done on earth, O Lord. Your

ye - (Ma - ye) nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi -
will (Your will) be done on earth, O Lord. Your will be

we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta -
done on earth, O Lord. Your will be done on

ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho.
earth, O Lord. Your will be done on earth, O Lord.

African phonetics:
My-yen-zee-way tahn-doe yah-koe.

Text: from the Lord's Prayer, South African (Xhosa)
Tune: South African traditional, as taught by George Mxadana; transcribed by John L. Bell, b.1949; © 1990, Iona Community,
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INVITATION TO PRAYER

Leader: "The Lord be with you"

People: **"and also with you"**

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER SONG *(from above)*

[Presentation of Tithes and Offerings](#)

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***DOXOLOGY**

THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow;

praise God, all crea - tures here be - low:

Harmony

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts!

Refrain (Harmony)

Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674; adapt. by Gilbert H. Vieira, 1978

MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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Offertory Prayer:

*PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD WITH PRAYER

Kolach - with a Prayer for Ukraine by Sue Raab

Sabaayad - with a Prayer for Africa by the Pyrich Family

Pain Haitian - with a Prayer for the Caribbeans by the Hernandez-Parsell Family

Naan - with a Prayer for the Middle East by Donna Walter & Madilyn Gabbard

Loaf of Bread with a Prayer for the U.S.A. by Janice Wolforth

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

It is good and beautiful to give God our praise.

We thank you, God, for you create all things out of your own being.

In you, all things are One.

You create us in the image of your love,
and call us as your beloved community.

You judge the forces of oppression
and rescue us from all that enslaves us.

**You make us one with all people,
and break down the dividing walls we build.**

You strike the rock of this world and out flows grace and blessing.

We feast in gratitude and awe.

You gather us at your table as the Body of Christ,
one in the love and Spirit of Christ,
around the world, one with all Creation.

We feast in unity and love.

**Therefore with all your Beloved around the world
we sing your praise.**

**Holy, holy, holy One, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in your love,
and blessed is Jesus, your Christ.

**He taught and healed, fed the hungry,
and gathered a community of love
that crossed all our barriers and divisions
and included the outcast and forgotten.**

For his radical welcome,
Jesus was crucified;

but you raised Christ from the dead,
and living eternally,

Christ invites us to this table of infinite love and reconciliation
together with all people,
friends and strangers and foreigners and enemies alike,
in the grace of your self-giving love.

[*The Blessing and Covenant...*]

Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me."

As often as we break this bread and share this cup

we remember his death and resurrection until he comes again.

**Remembering these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a living and holy sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of our faith.**

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on these gifts of bread and cup,
that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ.

Pour out your Spirit on us,

**that we may be for the world the Body of Christ, one Body:
one in your Spirit,
one with all the people of the world,
one in ministry for the sake of all Creation.**

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

(UMH p. 895)

Communion is Celebrated

*At this time in your homes, please feel free to share the bread and the cup as you are able and know that
we are still connected in the family of God.*

Prayer Following Communion:

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.**

Grant that we may go into the world

in the strength of your Spirit,

to give ourselves for others,

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

God Made from One Blood

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1. God made from one blood all the fam - ilies of earth,
2. We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears
3. We learn through our fam - ilies how close - ness and trust
4. Give, Lord, to each fam - ily in con - flict and storm
5. Then wid - en that wis - dom and grace to in - clude

the cir - cles of nur - ture that raised us from birth,
for all of the fam - ilies we've known through the years,
in - crease when our ac - tions are lov - ing and just.
a sense of your wis - dom and grace that trans - form
the rac - es and view - points our fam - ilies ex - clude

com - pan - ions who join us to walk through each stage
the in - ti - mate net - works on whom we de - pend
Yet fam - ilies have al - so dis - tort - ed their roles,
sharp an - ger to in - sight which strength - ens the heart
till peace in each home bears and nur - tures the bud

of child - hood and youth and a - dult - hood and age.
of par - ent and part - ner and room - mate and friend.
mis - treat - ing their mem - bers and bruising their souls.
and makes clear the place where re - build - ing can start.
of peace shared by all you have made from one blood.

WORDS: Thomas H. Troeger (Acts 17:26)

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*BENEDICTION

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare on ST. DENIO

Improvised by Kevin G. Lindsay

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

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Looking Ahead



Readings for October 8, 2023
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 / Psalm 19
Philippians 3:4b-14 / Matthew 21:33-46

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