

August 5, 2018 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time 10AM

Please gather quietly respecting those who are using this time for prayer and quiet reflection.

Gathering Just a Closer Walk. Arr. by Schram

Welcome and Announcements

Centering I Need Thee Every Hour Arr. by Smith

Call to Worship Come all you people (Uyai mose)

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker (3X)
Come now and worship the Lord.

+ Hymn #29 God of the Sparrow

Gathering Prayer

Life Sustainer, we receive the things you desire to offer us today and each new day! Grant us wisdom and openness to your Word and use its teachings to energize our bodies and spirits. Amen

+Gloria Patri #734

Musical Reflection Holy Holy/It is Well Arr. by Schram

Prayers of the People (Response: Lord Hear Our Prayer)

Pastoral Prayer / Lord's Prayer (debts / debtors)

+ Hymn # 348 Softly and Tenderly

Scripture: Exodus 16: 2 – 4 and 9 – 15, John 6: 24 – 35
Response: Sung Amen

Reflection Sustaining and Life-Giving Bread Rev. Mike

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering Élévation 3b

Boëllmann

+ Sung Response

(tune #34)

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

+ Blessing of Our Gifts

Use the gifts which we offer to you, Holy God, to restore joy to the despairing, to give food to the hungry, and willing spirits to us, that we might be servants to all your people. Amen.

+ Communion Hymn # 699 Let Us Break Bread Together

Prayer of Confession

God, we confess that we often spoon-feed ourselves items and ideas that do not provide us the energy we need to do your work. This creates space between you and us, between ourselves and each other, as members of Christ's one body. Oftentimes, we are willing to risk our sustained health and well-being for immediate satisfaction.

(Moment of silence and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Through Jesus, we have been given an example of one who was truly nourished and sustained by God. In Christ, we are forgiven, made whole, and restored to the one body. Amen

Sacrament of Holy Communion

+ Closing Hymn #350 The Summons

+ Blessing and Benediction

Let us go into the world with God's gifts.

We will perform God's works of mercy and life.

Let us go into the world with the Bread of heaven in our hands.

We will share Christ's grace which gives life to everyone.

Let us go as the one body of faith and fellowship.

We will to witness to the one Spirit of hope and faith.

+ # 614 Let There Be Peace on

+ *Those who are able, please stand.*

Calendar and Announcements

August

Today– Sacrament of Holy Communion, Council Meeting 11:30 AM

11th – Faithgiving! Farewell Dinner 6PM

12th – Rev. Mike's last Sunday and a celebration of our ministry together.

Annual Reports - Those officers and team members responsible for submitting an Annual Report, please start working on them and submit them to either Leslie or Brian as soon as possible so that work can begin on planning and creating the Annual Report for our meeting on September 23rd. Thank you!

Come All You People – Copyright John Bell
Worship Resources: UCC Worship Ways, Tom Shuman Liturgies

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