

4th Sunday after Pentecost – June 28, 2020, 9:15 am

Prelude

Welcome

Hymn *There's a Spirit in the Air* UMH 192

Prayer Celeste Butler
Steadfast God, you greet us as a loving parent and patiently love us beyond all measure. Great is your faithfulness. May we offer that same kindness to all whom we encounter, knowing it is Christ whom we greet as we welcome others. Amen

Minute Message Munyarari Food Distribution Project

Special Music *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Logan Dubel, Soloist

Scripture Matthew 10: 40-42 Celeste Butler
⁴⁰ "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Hymn *Jesu, Jesu* UMH 432

Sermon Welcoming Matters Rev. Lynn Boyd

Offering Reflection Prayer with Organ Music

Gracious God, your hospitality has surrounded us and welcomed us, even when we only grudgingly extended hospitality to sisters and brothers who are also your children. May we grow each day in our willingness to be welcoming disciples, not just to those who look like us, talk like us, or think like us. May our offering be received not just in gratitude for your hospitality, but as our way to extend comfort and welcome to those for whom your love is a mystery. We pray in Christ's holy name. Amen

Communion Rev. Byron E. Brought

Prayer

Hymn *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* TFWS 2241

Benediction Video The Blessing

Prayers:

Discipleship Ministries for the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Year A
Feasting on the Word For the Sunday after Pentecost, Year A



HYMN LYRICS

There's a Spirit in the Air

There's a Spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:
Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

Lose your shyness, find your tongue; tell the world what God has done.
God is Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

When believers break the bread, when a hungry child is fed,
Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

Still the Spirit leads the fight, seeing wrong and setting right:
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

When a stranger's not alone, when the homeless find a home,
Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

May the Spirit fill our praise, guide our thoughts and change our ways:
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

There's a Spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:
Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

Jesu, Jesu

(Refrain)

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them.

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,
Neighbors are near and far away.

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love;
All these are neighbors to us and you.

Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we are slaves,
This is the way we should live with you.

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet,
This is the way we should live with you.

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
We go in Jesus' name to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn
And set the burdened free; where hope is dim, to share a dream
And help the blind to see.

We go to be the hands of Christ,
To scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life,
To do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace,
The gospel to proclaim. God's Spirit it has empowered us;
We go in Jesus' name.