



Bethlehem

United Methodist Church

AUGUST 2, 2020

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING AND PRAISE

Sing, Sing, Sing
(Chorus:)

(We will) Sing, sing, sing, and make music with the heavens
We will sing, sing, sing, grateful that You hear us
When we shout your praise, lift high the name of Jesus

What's not to love about You? Heaven and earth adore You
Kings and kingdoms bow down. Son of God, You are the One
You are the One we're living for

You are the love that frees us. You are the light that leads us.
Like a fire burning, Son of God, You are the one
You are the one we're living for
Chorus

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever
Over the mountains and the sea, Your river runs with love for me,
And I will open up my heart and let the healer set me free.
I'm happy to be in the truth, and I will daily lift my hands:
For I will always sing of when Your love came down.

I could sing of your love forever, I could sing of your love forever,
I could sing of your love forever, I could sing of your love forever.

Oh, I feel like dancing, It's foolishness I know;
But when the world has seen the light, They will dance with joy,
Like we're dancing now.

OPENING PRAYER

Our hearts are full of praise, O God, because of your wonderful works. You are almighty, the King of Creation, over which you rule with kindness and justice. You prosper and sustain us so that we can serve you in your Kingdom now and through eternity. Come, Holy Spirit. Help us worship with the Father in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

CALL TO PRAYER

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Lord, listen to Your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to Your children praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

MORNING PRAYER**THANKSGIVING for OFFERING, TITHES, AND GIFTS**

Hungry

**Hungry I come to You for I know You satisfy
I am empty but I know Your love does not run dry**

Chorus:

**So I wait for You, So I wait for You
I've fallen on my knees offering all my needs
Jesus, You're all this heart is living for**

**Broken I run to You for Your arms are open wide
I am weary but I know Your touch restores my life**

Chorus x 2

**Hungry I come to You for I know You satisfy
I am empty but I know Your love does not run dry
Your love does not run dry**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14:13-21 (CEB)

“When Jesus heard about John, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. When the crowds learned this, they followed him on foot from the cities. When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion for them and healed those who were sick. That evening his disciples came and said to him, “This is an isolated place and it’s getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go into the villages and buy food for themselves.”

But Jesus said to them, “There’s no need to send them away. You give them something to eat.”

They replied, “We have nothing here except five loaves of bread and two fish.”

He said, “Bring them here to me.” He ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves of bread and the two fish, looked up to heaven, blessed them and broke the loaves apart and gave them to his disciples. Then the disciples gave them to the crowds. Everyone ate until they were full, and they filled twelve baskets with the leftovers. About five thousand men plus women and children had eaten.”

SERMON

“You Feed Them”

Rev. David Lord

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Table

I will feast at the table of the Lord, I will feast at the table of the Lord

I won't hunger anymore at His table

I will feast at the table of the Lord, I will feast at the table of the Lord

I won't hunger anymore at His table

Chorus:

Come all you weary, come and find, His yoke is easy, His burden light

He is able, He will restore at the table of the Lord

There is peace at the table of the Lord, There is peace at the table of the Lord

And I won't worry anymore at His table

There is healing at the table of the Lord, There is healing at the table of the Lord

Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table oh at His table

Chorus

Oh I know He has a place for me, Oh, what joy will fill my heart

With the saints around the mercy seat of God

Chorus

I'm invited to the table of the Lord, I'm invited to the table of the Lord

He says, "Come just as you are" to His table

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION, CONFESSON, AND PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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! Glory to God! Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through the prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

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.

Lord, Reign In Me

Over all the earth you reign on high, every mountain stream, every sunset sky
But my one request, Lord my only aim is that you'd reign in me again

Lord reign in me, reign in your power over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am, so won't you reign in me again

Over every thought, over every word may my life reflect the beauty of my Lord
Cause you mean more to me than any earthly thing, so won't you reign in me again

Lord reign in me, reign in your power over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am, so won't you reign in me again

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you, make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace (repeat)

Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

MAY GOD'S PEACE BE WITH YOU
