



## Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost Traditional Service

**November 6, 2022**

*The Service for the Lord's Day*

*WE GATHER*

PRELUDE 2. "Rhosymedre", from *Three Preludes on Welsh Tunes* Ralph Vaughan Williams

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Seed, scattered and sown;

**All: wheat, gathered and grown;**

One: bread, broken and shared as one,

**All: The living bread of God.**

One: Thanks be to God for such sustenance and abundance!

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*GATHERING HYMN

#526

For All the Saints (Verses 1-4)

SINE NOMINE

**1** For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**2** Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Please stand if you are able.

**3** O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**4** From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, Christ taught that he came so that we might have life, and have it abundantly. But so much of our thoughts and actions are focused on managing scarcity: scarcity of resources, of time, of opportunity, of hope. Forgive us, Lord, and teach us to trust in the abundance of your grace, so that we may imitate you: sowing bountifully, giving cheerfully, and sharing generously as we seek to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## *WE LISTEN*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 9:6-9

Judy Smullen

Leader: The word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

"Fruit That Will Last: Count on Sharing"

Pastor Bob Rapp

*Executive Director, Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering*

*Pastor of Mission, Christ UCC*

## *WE RESPOND*

\*SERMON HYMN

# 522

Lord, When I Came Into This Life

LAND OF REST

**1** Lord, when I came into this life  
You called me by my name;  
Today I come, commit myself,  
Responding to Your claim.

**2** Within the circle of the faith  
As member of Your cast,  
I take my place with all the saints  
Of future, present, past.

**3** In all the tensions of my life,  
Between my faith and doubt,  
Let Your great Spirit give me hope,  
Sustain me, lead me out.

**4** So, help me in my unbelief  
And let my life be true:  
Feet firmly planted on the earth,  
My sights set high on You.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from Confession of Belhar

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells. We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor, and the wronged; that God calls the church to follow God in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL FOR OFFERING

Call to Give

Offertory From the End of the Earth, Op. 187

Alan Hovhaness

Chancel Choir

Hear my cry, O God,  
From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee.  
When my heart is overwhelmed,  
Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For Thou hast been a shelter for me,  
And a strong tower from the enemy.  
I will trust in the covert of Thy wings.  
Alleluia.

**\*Doxology**

**#592**

Praise God from Who All Blessings Flow

**OLD HUNDREDTH**

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.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

## WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...

As our Savior Christ has taught us, so we pray:

The Lord's Prayer

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Communion Music Pastorate on "Engelberg"

Arr. Michael Burkhardt

SENDING HYMN

#364

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

**1** I sing a song of the saints of God,  
Patient and brave and true,  
Who toiled and fought and lived and died  
For the Lord they loved and knew.  
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,  
And one was a shepherdess on the green:  
They were all of them saints of God, and I mean,  
God helping, to be one too.

**3** They lived not only in ages past,  
There are hundreds of thousands still;  
The world is bright with the joyous saints  
Who love to do Jesus' will.  
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,  
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;  
For the saints of God are just folk like me,  
And I mean to be one too.

**2** They loved their Lord so dear, so dear,  
And God's love made them strong;  
And they followed the right, for Jesus' sake,  
The whole of their good lives long.  
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,  
And one was slain by a fierce wild beast;  
And there's not any reason, no, not the least  
Why I shouldn't be one too.

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Postlude on "Ein' feste Burg"

Arr. Wilbur Held