

August 4, 2024, Celebration Service (8:50 AM)

Prelude

Gathering Song: Sunshine Gospel Singers: *I Wish I Could Have Been There*

Welcome

Communion Speaker: Make It Count

Congregational Hymns

Rescue the Perishing (Cokesbury Hymnal #143 Verses 1 & 4)

I Am Thine, O Lord (Cokesbury Hymnal #193 Verses 1 & 4)

Love Mercy and Grace (Cokesbury Hymnal #153 Verses 1 & 3)

Joys

Thanksgiving Prayer

Offertory: Celebration Choir

Doxology 95

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.

Call to Prayer *Be Present at Our Table Lord* (United Methodist Hymnal #621)

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Confession

Prayer Response *Break Thou the Bread of Life* (United Methodist Hymnal #599 Vs 1)

†Prayer of Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture John 6:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks Be to God!

Sermon

Celebration of Holy Communion

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.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

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(United Methodist Hymnal #628)

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.

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 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.

Invitation to Christ and the Church

Invitational Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together* (United Methodist Hymnal #618)

Receiving of New Members

(Congregational Response)

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you at Christ United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Benediction (The Light of Christ Taken into the World)

Benediction Response

Let Us Break Bread Together (United Methodist Hymnal #618 V. 4)

Postlude