First United Methodist Church of Freehold Bulletin

Sunday, August 7, 2022 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements: Verl McKinney

Prelude: "Even You Are Welcome" Mitch Samu

Welcome: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Call to Worship:

Leader: God created each of us as unique individuals.

People: Although we are different, we are all important parts of the body of Christ.

Leader: God intentionally made us different and unique.

People: Today, let us celebrate the diverse ways God is reflected in each of us!

Creator God, you have composed the world of differing elements and celebrated its goodness. Open our hearts and minds to discover the vast diversity of your creation and to find our place of belonging. Open our eyes to see your divine image reflected in the faces around us. Open our spirits to honor and praise you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, AMEN.

*Opening Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH #400

*Praise Hymn: "Draw the Circle Wide" Light & Miller

Prayer Hymn: "In Remembrance of Me" TFWS #2254

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

[For those joining us online, please submit your prayer requests in the comments on the virtual attendance sheet, or email the church office. Your prayer requests will be lifted up in next Sunday's service.]

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-20 Bob Sterling

Sermon: "Celebrate Diversity" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering: Today's **Special Offering** will benefit **The Emergency Housing and Advocacy Program** to help them reach their fundraising goal of \$6,000. Reaching this goal will qualify E.H.A.P to receive a \$50,000 grant from the Gannett Foundation. The deadline to reach their \$6,000 goal is **August 18, 2022.** Donations can be made through the link in the Newsletter, or go to the E.H.A.P website: www.ehapinc.org

Offertory: "Sing Ye Joyfully" Don Besig

F.U.M.C. Choir

*Doxology: "Thank you, God" Mitch Samu

*Offertory Prayer: (In Unison)

God of creation, we are your body, each of us a different part, functioning together as your presence in the world. Bless our gifts and our differences today. Help us to see how our differences are our gifts. And may our offerings serve to draw ever wider the circle of this community. AMEN.

^{*}Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

*Passing of the Peace

Celebration of Communion: UMH pages 12-14

*Sung Responses: "Communion Settings" TFWS #2257 (b, c, d)

Communion Hymn: "Let Us Break Bread Together" UMH #618

Prayer: (In Unison) UMH page 39

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.

*Closing Hymn: "How Firm a Foundation" UMH #529

(v. 1, 3, 5)

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude

Scripture Passage for Sunday, August 7, 2022

Liturgist: Bob Sterling

1 Corinthians 12:12-20 (New Revised Standard Version)

One Body with Many Members

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴ Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members yet one body.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Prelude: Even You Are Welcome Mitch Samu

Even you are welcome
Even I am welcome
Even they are welcome
To touch the face of God
Everybody's welcome
Even we are welcome
All of us together
Can hold the hand of God
(Repeat)

If you're not here
There's something that is missing
Without you here we all are incomplete
Because if you are not invited
Then count me out as well
The God I know has room for us all

Even you are welcome
Even I am welcome
Even they are welcome
To touch the face of God
Everybody's welcome
Even we are welcome
All of us together
Can hold the hand of God
(Repeat)

All of us together
Can hold the hand of God

Opening Hymn: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing UMH #400

Come, Thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Praise Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide Light & Miller

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone,

We'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

No one stands alone.

We'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song:
No one stands alone.
Standing side by side,
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Prayer Hymn: In Remembrance of Me TFWS #2254

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of Me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of Me, pray for the time
When God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, heal the sick. In remembrance of Me, feed the poor. In remembrance of Me, open the door And let your neighbors in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted;
Drink and remember, too,
That this is My body
And precious blood shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of Me, search for truth.
In remembrance of Me, always love.
In remembrance of Me, don't look above,
But in your heart,
Look for God.
Do this in remembrance of Me.

Doxology: Thank You God (Mitch Samu)

Thank you, God
Thank you, God
Thank you, God
For giving me this life
I get to live.

Thank you, God
Love you, God
Praise you, God
Forever I will give all I can give
Amen!

Thank you, God
Thank you, God
Thank you, God
For giving me this life
I get to live.

Thank you, God
Love you, God
Praise you, God
Forever I will give all I can give

Communion Settings TFWS #2257 (b, c, d)

Holy, holy, holy Lord;
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blest is the one who comes
In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!

Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Communion Hymn: Let Us Break Bread Together UMH #618

Let us drink wine together on our knees,

(On our knees)

Let us drink wine together on our knees.

(On our knees)

When I fall on my knees

With my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

(On me)

Closing Hymn: How Firm a Foundation (v. 1, 3, 5) UMH #529

Verse 1

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent word! What more can He say than to you He hath said To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Verse 3

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."

Verse 5

The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no never forsake."