

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold  
Bulletin**

**Sunday, October 2, 2022  
World Communion Sunday**

Announcements: Verl McKinney

Prelude: “We Gather Together” Mitch Samu

Welcome: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: In the fullness of time, God gave us Jesus that we might understand God’s love.

**People: Yet, we turned our backs on him and went our own way.**

Leader: God’s loving presence continued in the disciples, bringing again the message of hope and reconciliation.

**People: Open our ears and our hearts, O Lord, to receive this message.**

Leader: Let the bread and the wine we receive today give us strength and courage to do God’s will.

**People: Let our lives, thus strengthened, be a witness to God’s eternal love for all God’s people. AMEN.**

**\*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)**

**Lord, throughout the world today, Christians are sharing in the sacrament of Holy Communion. We come together with a bountiful table set in the midst of struggle and strife. Help us to receive the elements of bread and wine for the nourishment of our souls and for the strengthening of our witness to your love for us. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. AMEN.**

**\*Opening Hymn:** “We Gather Together” UMH #131

**\*Praise Hymn:** “Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” Brian Doerksen

Prayer Hymn: “Sanctuary” TFWS #2164

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: Luke 17:5-10 Anita Ritchie

Sermon: “Faith Is Not About Size” Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering: Today’s **Special Offering** will benefit World Communion Sunday. Gifts to World Communion Sunday support World Communion Scholarships, Ethnic Scholarships, and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program.

Offertory: “Belle” Mitch Samu

**\*Doxology:** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #95

\*Offertory Prayer: (In Unison)

**Gracious and giving God, we bring our tithes and offerings to you this day and pray as we give them that you will kindle in us a deeper faith and a stronger commitment. We acknowledge that some of us have found our way back to you on our own; others of us have lived into a faith that surrounded us from the time we were born, lived out in parents, grandparents, siblings, and spouses. However this faith found its way into our hearts or into our DNA, help us to kindle it to flame, that the world might be set on fire with your love and compassion. In Christ, we pray. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

Celebration of Communion:

\*Sung Responses: "Communion Settings"

UMH pages 12-14  
TFWS #2257 (b, c, d)

Communion Hymn:

"Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine"

TFWS #2266

Prayer: (In Unison)

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**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:

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

UMH #89

\*Benediction:

Rev. Yoseb Jeon

\*Postlude:

"Joyful"

Mitch Samu

*Please feel free to sit and enjoy, to send you out to your week ahead with joy.*

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## **Scripture Passage for Sunday, October 2, 2022**

**Liturgist: Anita Ritchie**

### **Luke 17:5-10**

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a<sup>[a]</sup> mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!' "

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Opening Hymn:  
We Gather Together  
UMH #131**

We gather together  
To ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens  
His will to make known.  
The wicked oppressing  
Now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to His name;  
He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us,  
Our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining  
His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning  
The fight we were winning;  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side,  
All glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee,  
Thou Leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still  
Our Defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation  
Escape tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised!  
O Lord, make us free!

**Praise Hymn:  
Come, Now Is the Time to Worship  
Brian Doerksen**

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Verse)**

One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God.  
One day every knee will bow.  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now.

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Verse)**

One day every tongue  
Will confess You are God.  
One day every knee will bow.  
Still the greatest treasure remains  
For those who gladly choose You now.

**(Repeat Verse 2x)**

**(Chorus)**

**Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.**

**(Ending)**

Come.  
Come.  
Just as you are, come.  
Come.

**Prayer Hymn:  
Sanctuary  
TFWS #2164**

Lord, prepare me  
To be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy,  
Tried and true.  
With thanksgiving,  
I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You.

(Repeat)

**Doxology:  
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow  
UMH #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.

**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!  
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:  
Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine  
TFWS #2266**

(Verse 1)

Here is bread, here is wine:  
Christ is with us: He is with us.  
Break the bread; taste the wine:  
Christ is with us here.

(Verse 2)

Here is grace, here is peace:  
Christ is with us: He is with us.  
Know His grace; find His peace:  
Feast on Jesus here.

(Chorus)

In this bread there is healing;  
In this cup there's life forever.  
In this moment by the Spirit  
Christ is with us here.

(Verse 3)

Here we are, joined in one:  
Christ is with us: He is with us.  
We'll proclaim 'til He comes  
Jesus crucified.

(Chorus)

In this bread there is healing;  
In this cup there's life forever.  
In this moment by the Spirit  
Christ is with us here.

**Closing Hymn:  
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee  
UMH #89**

(Verse 1)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!

(Verse 2)

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

(Verse 3)

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,  
All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

(Verse 4)

Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o'er us,  
Binding all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music lifts us sunward,  
In the triumph song of life.