

**First United Methodist Church of Freehold
Bulletin**

**Sunday, August 6, 2023
10th Sunday after Pentecost**

We will be celebrating communion this morning.

For those of you joining us from home, please have bread and juice/wine available to participate.

Announcements: Sharon Shutzer

Prelude: Mitch Samu

Welcome: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Call to Worship: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Leader: Welcome to worship this day.

People: Thank you. We're glad to be here.

Leader: Some have come seeking; some have come struggling.

People: Lord, be with each one of us today. Feed our hearts and souls with your transforming love.

Leader: God is truly with you all today, guiding, lifting, feeding, restoring your souls.

People: Praise be to God who continually abides with us. AMEN.

*Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

In the darkness of night and the brightness of day, you, O Lord, are present to us. As we wrestle with situations which seem to drain us of our energy; as we struggle to find out who you call us to be, you reach out to us with reassurance of empowerment and courage for the days ahead. Calm our spirits and prepare our hearts and lives to receive your awesome grace. It is in Jesus' name that we pray. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn: "When Morning Gilds the Skies" UMH #185

*Praise Song: "All Who Hunger" TFWS #2126

Introduction to 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.]

Prayer Hymn: "Open Our Eyes" TFWS #2086

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:13-21 Melanie Bowen

Friendship Moment

[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form:

www.freeholdmethodist.org]

Message: "You Give Them Something to Eat" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering Time: Today's offering will be given for Flood Bucket supplies.

Giving Page: www.freeholdmethodist.org/give

Offertory: "In Christ Alone" Townend, Getty, Angerman
F.U.M.C. Choir

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

*Offering Prayer: (In Unison)

Source of Compassion, you meet our needs. May our gifts become loaves and fish for those who hunger. May our offerings become love and light for those who feel lost and afraid. Bless our lives and our ministries, that we may be a people who share our abundance with those who live in want. In our living and in our giving, may the world be fed and made whole again. Amen.

*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: "Since Jesus Came into My Heart" TFWS #2140

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude

Scripture Passage

Liturgist: Melanie Bowen

Matthew 14:13-21 (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition)

Feeding the Five Thousand

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Opening Hymn:
When Morning Gilds the Skies
UMH #185**

(Verse 1)

When morning gilds the skies
My heart awakening cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer,
To Jesus I repair:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(Verse 2)

The night becomes as day
When from the heart we say:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
The powers of darkness fear
When this sweet chant they hear:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(Verse 3)

Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
In heaven's eternal bliss
The loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

(Verse 4)

Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song
Through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

**Praise Song:
All Who Hunger
TFWS #2126**

(Verse 1)

All who hunger, gather gladly;
Holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering.
Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
All around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

(Verse 2)

All who hunger, never strangers;
Seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

(Verse 3)

All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
Live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

**Prayer Hymn:
Open Our Eyes
TFWS #2086**

Open our eyes, Lord,
We want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch Him,
And say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord,
And help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord,
We want to see Jesus.

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 if 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:
Let Us Break Bread Together
UMH #618

Let us break bread together
On our knees,
Let us break bread together
On our knees.
When I fall on my knees
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together
On our knees,
Let us drink wine together
On our knees.
When I fall on my knees
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together
On our knees,
Let us praise God together
On our knees.
When I fall on my knees
With my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Closing Hymn:

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

TFWS #2140

(Verse 1)

What a wonderful change in my life has been
wrought

Since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Chorus)

**Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul
Like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.**

(Verse 2)

I have ceased from my wandering and going astray,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And my sins, which were many, are all washed
away,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Chorus)

**Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul
Like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.**

(Verse 3)

I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway
obscure,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Chorus)

**Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul
Like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.**

(Verse 4)

There's a light in the valley of death now for me,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And the gates of the City beyond I can see,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Chorus)

**Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul
Like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.**

(Verse 5)

I shall go there to dwell in that City, I know,
Since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go,
Since Jesus came into my heart!

(Chorus)

**Since Jesus came into my heart,
Since Jesus came into my heart,
Floods of joy o'er my soul
Like the sea billows roll,
Since Jesus came into my heart.**

Announcements
August 6, 2023

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold. We are glad you are with us.

Please remember to sign the virtual attendance pad.

Today's **Altar Flowers** donated by Anne Mayer and Dan Tagatac in celebration of their 43rd wedding anniversary.

And by Diana Tephford and Tom Dreyer in celebration of their wedding yesterday.

Come out and support The United Theatre Company as they perform "***Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs***" on Saturday, August 12th at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 13th at 1:00 p.m. on the F.U.M.C. stage! Fun for all ages! Tickets will be sold at the door and are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children 12 and under. Tickets can also be reserved through our website: unitedtheatreinc.org

August Birthdays

(3) Corbett Cory

(4) Carolyn Brach

(5) Cassie Sterling

(17) Jessica Cronin

(18) Gayle Trulli

(19) Ken Budka

(21) Verl McKinney

(21) Sandra Hernandez

(25) Lindsey Hennessey

(26) Anita Ritchie

(27) Ernest Peart

(30) Shawn Darby