

Order of Worship for Sunday, August 1, 2021 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Communion

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CENTERING WORDS Encourage one another to live as people worthy of God's calling.

SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We have come together as one.

P: One people, gathered in the name of the one God.

L: We will worship together as one.

P: One community, giving praise and honor to the Righteous One.

L: We are being empowered as one by One.

P: One body and one Spirit, called to the hope of one calling,

L: one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

P: one God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in all.

L: Now, in the name of the Three-in-One, we act as one.

P: One people, giving witness to the power of One.

OPENING PRAYER (From Kachael J, *Africana Liturgical Resources*, ed. Safiyah Fosua)

Holy Spirit, we implore your wisdom, guidance, and discipline. Make us whole. Strengthen our weakness. Keep deception and division far from us. Fill us forever with the true Bread of Life, Jesus Christ. May we not forget where our Eternal Life flows from. Unify us in you, Lord. Beyond race, culture, education, social, and economic status. Bind us to one another. Show us you in every face that looks back at us. My body. One body. Our body. God's Body. AMEN.

* OPENING HYMN Let Us Break Bread Together United Methodist Hymnal #618

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jesus Is the Bread of Life

*JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

SELECTED SCRIPTURE John 6:24-38

MESSAGE The Message In the Miracle

*SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE United Methodist Hymnal p.12

CLOSING HYMN Fill My Cup, Lord United Methodist Hymnal #641

COMMISSION & BLESSING

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BIBLE STUDY: A Life Worthy

Read: Ephesians 4:1-16

What have you learned in the last year and a half about the importance of physically gathering as a community of faith for corporate worship? Have you gained more appreciation for this opportunity of being physically gathered? Do you see it as more of a need than prior to quarantining?

How might digital technologies, such as video conferencing platforms, be used for the most benefit to supplement our in-person gatherings?

Which of the gifts in verse 11 do you think is most fitting for you?

Our culture often speaks of self-purpose or self-fulfillment. What is the purpose of these gifts (hint: verse 12)?

What might it look like for you to lead a life worthy of the gospel?

SENDING FORTH PRAYER

Covenant making and Covenant keeping God, we give you thanks that we are not on this journey alone. For you have demonstrated the way through Jesus Christ and are continually present with us, empowering us as your gifted servants for mission and ministry. Give us the courage to walk, trusting in your grace that we might live a life worthy to be called children of the Most High God. Amen.

love in and around us. Give us the eyes to see where you are calling us and who you are calling us to demonstrate your radical love. Amen.