

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m. *World Communion Sunday* October 2, 2022

** indicates "stand if you are able." UMH is the blue hymnal. TFWS is the small black book.*

PRELUDE

INTROIT *"Faithful"* Insert
CUMC Adult Choir

WELCOME ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETINGS

One: The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: The risen Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

One: When we feel like we are struggling in our faith.

All: Let us place our focus on you, Lord.

One: When insecurity and fear overtake us.

All: Help us to remember that you are able to command the winds and calm the storm.

One: Teach us to trust in you fully and not rely on our own abilities.

All: For our faith and trust come from you, our rock and our redeemer.

One: And together let us pray.

All: Lord, when we first came to know you as Lord and Savior, we were only babies in the faith. Some of us, still, are those of little faith. Help us to be mighty in our faith and witness, for we know through trust in you, we can move mountains. Teach us the truths of your word; keep it in our hearts and on our lips. Make your will known to us through your spirit that dwells within us. Keep us connected through prayer and worship. For we can do all things through you, Christ, who gives us strength. Amen.

*HYMN *"In Christ Alone"* Insert

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES *"Children's Message"*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

THE EPISTLE READING 2 Timothy 1:1-14

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 17:5-10

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"So What is Faith?"

Kim Gill

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sins before God and one another.
(From UMH page 7)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, forgive us when we lack faith. So often we find ourselves tossed and blown in the storm. We desperately need you to save us from our human condition. We are worthless slaves and deserve nothing for our labor. Thank you for your grace and mercy toward us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Because we have called, God has answered. We are delivered and saved by God's love.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS (in unison)

Let us be faithful in our giving, that others may see in us the transforming power of God. Let us trust you to supply our needs when we give back one tenth of what you graciously provide. We know that you Lord love a cheerful and generous giver. Amen.

WEEKLY OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"Bread of the World"* by Mark Burrows/arr. Mary MacDonald
CUMC Adult Choir

Bread of the world in mercy broken,
Cup of the world, in mercy shed,
By Him the words of life were spoken,
And in His death our sins are dead;

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be Your feast for us a token
that by Your grace our souls are fed.

Circle of hope, remain unbroken.
Circle of love reach out and spread.
Then all the world will share the glory,
Share in God's blessings, share and be fed.
Bread of the world.

*DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Lord, thank you for your grace and mercy toward us, for we are just unworthy slaves. Yet you loved us so much that you saved us from the death we deserve by taking our sins and washing us clean. Through our repentance, you took us from unworthy slaves to joint heirs of the kingdom. As believers, we know that your promises are true. Help us to have the faith to carry out your work here on earth. Let all the world know that through your Holy Spirit we have amazing power. You said that even with faith the size of a mustard seed we could command a mulberry tree to uproot and plant itself in the sea. If we focus all our attention on you, Almighty God, we can change the world and glorify your holy name. May it be so. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION *(From UMH Pgs. 9-11)* Insert

JOYS AND CONCERNS

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace, for grieving families and all those who are scared, especially the old and those with young families. We pray that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. We continue to pray that you will bring justice to this whole situation. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

*HYMN *"You Raise Me Up"* Insert

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

One: With Christians around the world,
go forth to bear witness in a divided and broken world.

All: **Knit together in Christian love, we leave here to share living bread with a world starving for spiritual food.**

One: With Christians around the world, go forth in faith, blessed through fellowship with Christ to be in union with God and the Holy Spirit.

All: **Woven together in Christian hope, we leave to share the cup of Salvation with a world dying of thirst. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Let us share God's love and peace with one another.

POSTLUDE

OUR WORSHIP HAS ENDED

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