

JAN HUS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE
 A CELEBRATION OF GOSPEL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.
 THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 MAY 22, 2011



“Everyone around was in awe—all those wonders and signs done through the apostles! And all the believers lived in a wonderful harmony, holding everything in common. They pooled their resources so that each person's need was met.”
 ~ From Today's Reading of Acts

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come into this place of awe...commit yourselves as best you can
 Many: **to the life together, the common meals, the prayers.**

One: See the wonder through your own eyes and ours together...
 Many: **let us worship in harmony, exuberance, and joy.**

Many: **Come, let us worship God together. Amen**

*HYMN #465 HERE, O GOD, YOUR SERVANTS GATHER

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TOKYO 7.5.7.5 D

Tokuo Yamaguchi, 1958
 Trans. Everett M. Stowe, 1958; alt. 1972

Japanese gagaku mode
 Isao Koizumi, 1958

1. Here, O Lord, Your ser - vants gath - er, Hand we link with hand;
 2. Man - y are the tongues we speak, Scat - tered are the lands,
 3. Na - ture's se - crets o - pen wide, Chang - es nev - er cease;
 4. Grant, O God, an age re - newed, Filled with death - less love;

Look - ing toward our Sav - ior's cross, Joined in love we stand.
 Yet our hearts are one in God, One in love's de - mands.
 Where, O where, can wea - ry souls Find the source of peace?
 Help us as we work and pray, Send us from a - bove

As we seek the realm of God, We u - nite to pray:
 E'en in dark - ness hope ap - pears, Call - ing age and youth:
 Un - to all those sore dis - tressed, Torn by end - less strife:
 Truth and cour - age, faith and power Need - ed in our strife:

Je - sus, Sav - ior, guide our steps, For You are the Way.
 Je - sus, teach - er, dwell with us, For You are the Truth.
 Je - sus, heal - er, bring Your balm, For You are the Life.
 Je - sus, Sav - ior, be our way, Be our truth, our life.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
 While we were sinners
 Christ died for us.
 Because we have faith in him,
 we dare to approach God with confidence.

In faith and penitence,
 let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God and life-giving Spirit.

**who brooded over the waters when the world was first begun,
 fill us with the wonder of those first few days of creation.**

**Dazzle us with the vistas and views emerging from creation
 in those early moments of nebulae and formation.**

**You, we, all of us were there then, in the stardust that followed
 in the earth that followed,
 in the one you sent, and who we now follow.**

**Help us to remember the great and magnificent creation of which we are,
 the love from which we came and continues.**

**Forgive us when we forget such things, for we think it long ago,
 when actually it is still this very day
 this moment
 this now.**

Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

RESPONSE HYMN # 322 SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;
 Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
 Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.
 Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & FORGIVENESS

One: Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us, let us forgive and greet one another.
 The peace of God be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, open our eyes to the near-fullness of your vision. Let us hear in these words what you call us to hear, so that we may be moved for the sake of others in your name. Amen.

FIRST READING: ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 2:42-47

That day about three thousand took him at his word, were baptized and were signed up. They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers.

Everyone around was in awe—all those wonders and signs done through the apostles! And all the believers lived in a wonderful harmony, holding everything in common. They sold whatever they owned and pooled their resources so that each person's need was met.

They followed a daily discipline of worship in the Temple followed by meals at home, every meal a celebration, exuberant and joyful, as they praised God. People in general liked what they saw. Every day their number grew as God added those who were saved.

THE GOSPEL READING: JOHN 10: 1-10: He Calls His Sheep by Name

"Let me set this before you as plainly as I can. If a person climbs over or through the fence of a sheep pen instead of going through the gate, you know he's up to no good—a sheep rustler! The shepherd walks right up to the gate. The gatekeeper opens the gate to him and the sheep recognize his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he gets them all out, he leads them and they follow because they are familiar with his voice. They won't follow a stranger's voice but will scatter because they aren't used to the sound of it."

Jesus told this simple story, but they had no idea what he was talking about. So he tried again. "I'll be explicit, then. I am the Gate for the sheep. All those others are up to no good—sheep stealers, every one of them. But the sheep didn't listen to them. I am the Gate. Anyone who goes through me will be cared for—will freely go in and out, and find pasture. A thief is only there to steal and kill and destroy. I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.

HOMILY

RAY BAGNUOLO

***HYMN #512: LIVING WORD OF GOD'S ETERNAL**

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

Living Word of God Eternal

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KOMM, O KOMM, DU GEIST DES LEBENS 8.7.8.7.8.7

Jeffery Rowthorn, 1983

Neuvermehrtes Meiningsches Gesangbuch, 1693

1. Liv - ing Word of God e - ter - nal, Lay - ing
2. Lov - ing Sav - ior, whose em - brac - es Our true
3. Liv - ing Bread come down from heav - en, Bro - ken,
4. Lov - ing Spir - it, pray - ing in us, Giv - ing
5. May Your Word a - mong us spo - ken, May the

claim to ev - ery age, Je - sus, speak through all our
selves a - lone un - mask, In this fel - low - ship's small
shared, dis - trib - ut - ed, Feed us, gath - ered at this
voice to all our sighs, Show the wide - ness of Your
lov - ing which we dare, May Your Bread a - mong us

speak - ing, Bring to life the Bi - ble's page; Let Your
com - pass Train us for our com - mon task: By our
ta - ble, With Your grace un - lim - it - ed, And as
mer - cy To deaf ears and blind - ed eyes; Free our
bro - ken, May the prayers in which we share Dai - ly

gos - pel, heard and heed - ed, Set our course of pil - grim - age.
love to grow more like You And to dare what You will ask.
ser - vants then em - ploy us Till this hun - gry world is fed.
tongues to come be - fore You With our neigh - bors' joys and cries.
make us faith - ful peo - ple, Liv - ing signs, Lord, of Your care.

*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.

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PREPARING FOR THE OFFERING

One: In this world, someone has too much.

Many: **Someone has barely enough, someone has nothing at all.**

One: When we share our commitment and financial support, we act on the imagination of Jesus.

Many: **Jesus, who sees enough bread to go around, enough courage to speak the truth, and enough love to overcome all things.**

One: O God, to those of us who have hunger, give bread.
And to those of us who have bread, give the hunger for justice.

Many: **When the 5,000 were hungry, the disciples came to Jesus and said: "Send the people away, so they may get something to eat."**

One: Jesus answered: "You give them something to eat."

OFFERTORY MUSIC

BLESSING THE OFFERING

One: And the people reached in their pockets and pulled out the bread and the fishes and shared them, and there was abundance for all, and even more. **Many: Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: PLEASE SEE PAGE 10.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

Prayers work. Let your prayers be spoken now. Let us remember Howard W., Ralph K., members of our Session, Congregation, and Community. Pray for world peace and harmony. Pray. Prayers work.

THE PRAYER THAT JESUS TAUGHT US (IN UNISON)

Our Mother/Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kindom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kindom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SUNG BLESSING (IN ENGLISH OR CZECH)

Christians rise and act your creed,
Let your prayer be in your deed;
Seek the right, perform the true,
Raise your work and life anew.
Come then law divine and reign,
Freest faith assailed in vain.
Perfect love, bereft of fear,
born in heaven and radiant here. Amen.

Amen to pozebnani prijdiz na nas vsecky,
Abychom po skonani vesli v raj nebesky,
A tam s angelskou risi, boha take ctilli,
Dejz nam to; o Jezisi, spasitely mily.
Amen.

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***HYMN #535: GO WITH US, GOD**

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Mary Jackson Cathey, 1986 Thomas Tallis
Adapt. Parker's *Whole Psalter*, c. 1561

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and
ev - ery com - ing day, That in Your Spir - it
strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

The musical score is written for voice and piano in 4/4 time, key of D major. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first line of the hymn. The second system contains the second line. The third system contains the third line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

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THE DEACONS: Essie Rance

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POSTLUDE (PLEASE BE SEATED)

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AND A LIGHT LUNCH FOLLOWING WORSHIP

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