



Emmanuel United Church of Christ

A Congregation of the United Church of Christ

We Welcome You on this

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Service of Word - August 8, 2021

9:30 AM

The Gathering

Ringing of the Bell
Our Life Together
The Solemn Declaration

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Leader: Out of the depth I cry to you, O God.

All: We hunger for the bread of life, O Jesus, and we thirst for you, O God.

Leader: There is forgiveness with you and I wait for you O God, my soul waits.

All: We hunger for the bread of life, O Jesus, and we thirst for you, O God.

Leader: In your words, I hope. My soul waits for you, God, more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

All: We hunger for the bread of life, O Jesus, and we thirst for you, O God.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn

“Open My Eyes”

Insert

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe that there is one body of Christ working in the world, one Holy Spirit who sustains and comforts, one hope that stirred our hearts when we heard your call, one Lord who has called us here today, one faith that we strive to live up to daily, one baptism that brings each of us into the family of God, one God and Creator of all, who is over all and through all and in all. We believe that each of us, as a member of God's family, has a calling to fulfill and that in doing so, the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Amen.

Call to Confession

The Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

Holy One, we confess that we continue wars in our holy human family even though we know they cause unspeakable suffering. Like David, who wept the Absalom, his lost son, we are filled with sorrow for all the children in our human family who die in war. We see our advanced weapons kill and maim children and yet still we do not find the ways to peace. Forgive us.

(Silence is kept for personal reflection and prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

Holy One, you make all things new; your mercy is new every morning. Let our cries of sorrow: “O our children, O our children”. Herold the way to compassion and courage as we work for peace. Amen

*Choral Response

“Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

The Gift of the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 4:25 and 5:2

The Gospel Reading

John 6:41-51

Sermon

“What’s for Lunch?”

Pastor Jan

*Hymn

“Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken”

#346 (NCH)

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Call to Offering

Offertory

*Offertory Response

“Take My Gifts”

#562 (NCH)

Take whatever I can offer, gifts that I have yet to find, Skills that I am slow to sharpen, talents of the hand and mind, things made beautiful for others in the place where I must be: take my gifts and let me love you, God who first of all loved me.

