

Kern Memorial United Methodist Church

The Reverend Donna M. Hester, Pastor

August 1, 2021 11:00 AM

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude

Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young

*Call to Worship

Leader: From God came the sustenance for people who wandered in wilderness places.

People: That was the bread from heaven!

Leader: From God comes Jesus Christ, the eternal bread that sustains our lives.

People: Christ is the Bread of Life!

Leader: Let us praise God for such wondrous gifts of life.

People: Let us sing and raise our voices in gratitude for all that God does for us.

AMEN.

*Invocation

Along life's pathways, we search continually for signs to point us in positive directions. Christ has given us a sign which points us to healing and hope: that is the sign of the Bread of Life. No more shall we hunger and thirst after the things which cannot sustain us. Now we have been fed and nourished by Christ! Open our hearts in gratitude, Lord, for all the wondrous things you have done for us. Open our Spirits to hear your words of hope for us today. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic ** church.
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Omer Westenfort/Robert Kreutz

Scripture Lesson

John 6:24-35 (CEB)

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²⁴ When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, “Rabbi, when did you get here?”

²⁶ Jesus replied, “I assure you that you are looking for me not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate all the food you wanted. ²⁷ Don’t work for the food that doesn’t last but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Human One will give you. God the Father has confirmed him as his agent to give life.”

²⁸ They asked, “What must we do in order to accomplish what God requires?”

²⁹ Jesus replied, “This is what God requires, that you believe in him whom God sent.”

³⁰ They asked, “What miraculous sign will you do, that we can see and believe you? What will you do? ³¹ Our ancestors ate manna in the wilderness, just as it is written, *He gave them bread from heaven to eat.*”[[]

³² Jesus told them, “I assure you, it wasn’t Moses who gave the bread from heaven to you, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ The bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”

³⁴ They said, “Sir, give us this bread all the time!”

³⁵ Jesus replied, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

Message

“Bread of Life?”

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Sacrament of Holy Communion

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is a right, good, and joyful thing
always and everywhere to give our thanks to you,
Author of justice and mercy.

Long ago, your prophet Nathan
brought your word to David, the king,
bringing him to repentance
and renewed love of you.

In your loving kindness,
you did not cast him away from your presence,
but restored to him the joy of your salvation.

And so, with your creatures on earth
and all the heavenly chorus,
we praise your name
and join their unending hymn, saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

**God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and holy is your child, Jesus Christ.
When the crowds were hungry for miracles,
he promised that we who come to him
will never be hungry,
and we who believe in him
will never be thirsty.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
the bread of heaven, broken to feed a hungry world,
so that we may become one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry
to all the world.
Merciful Creator, Bread of Heaven, Spirit of Love,
we praise your holy, eternal, nameless Name.

Amen.

*Blessing with Response

Postlude

Shall We Gather at the River

arr. Cindy Berry

Announcements

Sunday, August 1, 2021

8:30 am Christian Formation Class (Zoom)
9:00 am Praise and Worship Service (FLC)
10:00 am Sunday School Classes
10:00 am Online Worship Service (Facebook, YouTube)
11:00 am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)

1:00 pm Eagle Court of Honors (Sanctuary/FLC)

Monday, August 2, 2021

9:00 am Monday Morning Maintenance (Narthex)

1:00 pm Staff Meeting (Zoom)

5:30 pm Yoga (FLC)

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

9:00 am Camp Faith (Rm 24, 26, 28)

6:00 pm UMM Picnic (FLC)

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

6:30 pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

7:00 pm Praise Band (Zoom)

Thursday, August 5, 2021

8:00 am Prayer Partners (Clubhouse)

9:00 am Camp Faith (Rm 24, 26, 28)

Saturday, August 7, 2021

9:00 am Neighborhood Cleanup (Kern Parking Lot)

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