

Worship Celebration: October 7, 2018

EPWORTH: a United Methodist Church

9:15 a.m. (CONTEMPORARY)

World Communion Sunday (Year B)



Welcome to Epworth! Today we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate Holy Communion. On this World Communion Sunday, we give thanks to God for all the countries and people which make up our world, and we come together as family to witness and worship and eat together. We continue our sermon series on Hand in Hand today, by looking at how we can work together with other Christian churches to better our world. What would it take to recognize Christ in each other and in our actions with other Christians? We will use

some very special grape juice today – brought all the way from Bockius Vineyards in Germany, by George Bockius, as we celebrate communion with neighbors and friends around the globe. We are blessed by your presence as we gather at Christ's table!

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*VISION: Exploring Faith, Embracing Community*

*MISSION: Inviting All, Finding Your Place, Connecting to God, Demonstrating Care*

☩ WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY ☩

**Praise Gathering**

**SOUL ON FIRE**

*God, I'm running for Your heart, I'm running for Your heart till I am a soul on fire.*

*Lord, I'm longing for Your ways. I'm waiting for the day when I am a soul on fire, {\*last time to TAG}*

*till I am a soul on fire. {Repeat}*

*Lord, restore the joy I had I have a-wandered bring me back.*

*In this darkness, lead me through until all I see is You, yeah! {Chorus}*

*Lord, let me burn for You again. Let me return to You again.*

*And Lord, let me burn for You again! And let me return to You again! {Chorus}*

*TAG: God, I'm running for Your heart, I'm running for Your heart till I am a soul on fire, till I am a soul on fire, till I am a soul on fire. <sup>1</sup>*

## Greeting, Sharing the Mission & Ministry of Epworth

Todd

### \*Passing the Peace

### \*Singing in Praise

#### WHAT A FRIEND

Ev'rybody has trials, and temptations. (Ooh, ooh.)  
Ev'rybody knows heart break, isolation. (Ooh, ooh.)  
But we can lay our burdens down, lay our burdens down.

*What a friend we have in Jesus, east to west my sins are gone.  
I see grace on ev'ry horizon, and forever and ever His heart is my home.*

Ev'rybody has fears, ev'rybody got worry. (Ooh, ooh.)  
Ev'rybody knows sorrow, devastation. (Ooh, ooh.)  
But we can lay our burdens down, lay our burdens down. {Chorus}

No more betrayal, for He is faithful, He fills me up and my cup runneth over.  
No more betrayal, for He is faithful, how He has proven it over and over.

No more betrayal, for He is faithful, He fills me up and my cup runneth over.  
No more betrayal, for He is faithful, for He has proven it over and over, over and over.  
{Chorus Twice}

TAG: Forever and ever His heart is my home. <sup>2</sup>

## Children's Celebration

Rev. Vicky Starnes

### ✠ WE PREPARE FOR THE WORD ✠

### Joys & Concerns

Todd

### Prayer of Confession

Eternal God of all people and places, we confess to you our lack of oneness with our human sisters and brothers as we come to the table of our Lord. We have closed our ears to voices of pain, and of wisdom, when they speak in accents other than our own. We have lacked the vision to see that people living in places we call foreign are as surely your children as we are. Gracious God, forgive us, and renew a right spirit within us, a spirit of compassion, understanding, and humility. Fill us with the vision of unity in Christ, and enable us to incarnate Christ's love, so that we may worthily partake in the body of Christ and the wine of the new covenant. Amen.

### Words of Assurance

The good news in Christ is that God is more willing to forgive our sins than we are to acknowledge them. The God of peace be with you all, keeping you in unity with Christ's people everywhere.

#### IN REMEMBRANCE

In remembrance of me, eat this bread. In remembrance of me, drink this wine.  
In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick. In remembrance of me, feed the poor.  
In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in, let him in.

**☞ We Engage the Word ☞**

**\*Gospel Lesson**

*Luke 24:13-16, 28-35*

Jayne Tamburello

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

As they came near the village to which they were going, Jesus walked ahead as if he were going on.

But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over."

So he went in to stay with them.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight.

They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.

They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Brothers and Sisters,

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**☞Thanks be to God**

*IN REMEMBRANCE (CONT)*

Take, eat and be comforted, drink, and remember, too,  
that this is my body and precious blood, shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth. In remembrance of me, always love,  
in remembrance of me, don't look above, but in your heart, in your heart.  
Look into your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of me. Do this in remembrance of me.  
In remembrance of me. <sup>3</sup>

**Sermon**

*Hand in Hand: Across the Christian Church*

Rev. Vicky Starnes

**Invitation to Offering** ~ Please sign the blue Connections Pad and pass it down the row.

**Vicky**

*Offerings are given through cash and check, on-line giving, Texting at 302-488-0038  
and by using our Giving Kiosk in the main lobby. There are Giving Cards in the pews to place in the plate, if you wish  
Bless your heart for supporting our ministries!*

WHO YOU SAY I AM

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?  
I was lost but He brought me in. Oh, His love for me! Oh, His love for me!

*Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.*

Free at last, He has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.  
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, He died for me!

*Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.*

*In my Father's house, there's a place for me. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.*

I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am. (Section 2X)  
I am who You say I am. {Chorus}

*In my Father's house, there's a place for me. I'm a child of God. Yes, I am.*

I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who You say I am.  
You are for me, not against me. I am who You say I am. (Section 4X)  
Oh, I am who You say I am. Yes, I am who You say I am. {Chorus} <sup>4</sup>

☞ WE RESPOND TO THE WORD ☛

**\*The Great Thanksgiving Prayer**

*with sung responses as in FWS 2257b, c, d*

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 right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Lord God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
You created for yourself a world filled with diversity  
and blessed by your breath of life.

Rainbow colors bloom in spring,  
summer breezes bring garden delight,  
and now as autumn comes our way  
we see the work of your paintbrush upon every face and tree.

In mercy, while we still held to the chains of our winter, of pride,  
self-righteousness, and historic egos you loved us steadfastly and  
delivered us as babies to reflect the beauty and diversity of your grace,  
to bring us into a community of love, hope and peace.

Vicky

And so, with all your people on earth in every place where two or more are gathered in your name and all the company of heaven who have gone before us we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

§ Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. FWS 2257b  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!  
Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

*(Please be seated)*

Todd

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Todd

Your Spirit anointed him  
to preach good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
and to announce that the time had come  
when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.  
He prayed that we might be one as he is one with you, Father, and  
he asked that we might be known by the love we have for one another.

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, Vicky  
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. FWS 2257c  
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

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,  
 that we, together as a new creation and a new community  
 around the globe, may be for the world the body of Christ,  
 redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit help the body of Christ be one.  
 Help the left hand and the right hand work as one in ministry to all the world.  
 Help the eyes and the ears sense your present and coming kingdom.  
 Bring the blessing of the diversity of the body to bear fruit until Christ comes  
 in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
 all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

§ Amen. Amen. Amen.

*FWS 2257d*

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

### The Lord's Prayer

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§ 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.

### Music during Communion *THE RECONCILIATION SONG*

Oh, let us be the generation of reconciliation and peace,  
 and let us be a holy nation where pride and prejudice shall cease.  
 Let us speak the truth in love to the lost and least of these;  
 and let us serve the Lord in unity so others will believe.  
 Let us be a generation of reconciliation and peace.

Oh, let us be the generation of reconciliation and peace,  
 and let us build on one foundation 'til He comes and the wars of men shall cease.  
 Let us share the Love of Jesus without hypocrisy;  
 Let mercy and forgiveness begin with you and me.  
 Let us be the generation of reconciliation and peace.

Have we not one Father? Have we not one faith?  
 Have we not one calling to become one holy race?  
 Oh, let us be a generation of reconciliation and peace.

And let us pray for restoration and seek the Lord together on our knees.  
 Let us keep our hearts from evil and cling to what is good;  
 Let us honor one another and love the brotherhood.  
 Let us be the generation of reconciliation and peace. <sup>5</sup>

FOR EVERYONE BORN

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
for everyone born, clean water and bread;  
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,  
for everyone born, a star overhead.

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy---, compassion and peace:  
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy.*

For everyone born, a place at the table,  
to live without fear, and simply to be.  
To work, to speak out, to witness and worship,  
for everyone born, the right to be free. {Repeat Refrain 2X}

TAG: *of justice, justice and joy!* (3X) <sup>6</sup>

☞ We Are Sent into the World ☛

\*Benediction

Vicky

\*Sending Song

ALL THE PEOPLE SAID AMEN

You are not alone if you are lonely.  
When you feel afraid, you're not the only.  
We are all the same, in need of mercy, to be forgiven and be free.  
It's all you get to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need.

*And all the people said Amen. Whoa  
And all the people said Amen.  
Give thanks to the Lord, for His love never ends.  
And all the people said Amen.*

If you're rich or poor, well, it don't matter.  
Weak or strong, you know love is what we're after.  
We're all broken, but we're all in this together.  
God knows we stumble and fall,  
And He so loved the world, He sent his son to save us all. {Refrain}

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart.  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart.  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start,  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God. {Refrain 2x}

TAG: Yeah! And all the people said Amen. <sup>7</sup>

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and:

- In gratitude for loving parents and grandparents by Nancy Almacy;
- In memory of Bob Palko by Bill Richardson.

Stephen Ministers, wearing blue name badges, will be at each service if anyone in the Epworth family wants to talk about any life challenges.

The special Peace Candle on the Chancel shines to remind us of God's desire for peace throughout our world and our call to be God's peacemakers.

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9:30: Tom Curry Ken Backer, Cathy McCallister, Karen Hugues, Maureen Ewadinger,  
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