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World Communion Sunday

9:45 *Gathering and Songs of Praise*

"Into my Father's House"

Jesus come, come reveal whose I am

Through Your death You have paid for my life

All of my sin has been forgiven through Your blood

So I come with confidence into my Father's House

I believe You are the lamb the prophets spoke about

On the cross You purchased me

My life's no longer mine, I'm Yours, my Redeemer

Jesus come, come reveal whose I am

Through Your death You have paid for my life

All of my shame has been exchanged for pure delight -

"Lord I Need You"

Lord I come, I confess

Bowing here, I find my rest

Without You, I fall apart

You're the one that guides my heart

Lord, I need You, oh I need You

Every hour, I need You

My one defense, my righteousness

Oh God, how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more

Where grace is found is where You are

And where You are, Lord I am free

Holiness is Christ in me

Lord, I need You, oh I need You

Every hour, I need You

My one defense, my righteousness

Oh God, how I need You

So teach my song to rise to You

When temptation comes my way

And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You

Jesus, You're my hope and stay
Lord, I need You, oh I need You
Every hour, I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
You're my one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

"Your Faithfulness"

I don't know
What this day will bring
Will it be disappointing
Or filled with longed for things
I don't know what tomorrow holds
Still I know
I can trust Your faithfulness
I don't know
If these clouds mean rain
If they do will they pour down
blessing or pain

I don't know what the future holds
Still I know
I can trust Your faithfulness
Certain as the rivers reach the sea
Certain as the sunrise in the east
I can rest in Your faithfulness
Surer than a mother's tender love
Surer than the stars
Still shine above
I can rest in Your faithfulness
I don't know
How or when I'll die
Will it be a thief
Or will I have a chance
To say good-bye
I don't know how much time is left
In the end
I will know Your faithfulness
When darkness overwhelms my soul
When thoughts are storms of doubt
Still I trust You are always faithful
Always faithful

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10:00 Welcome

*Call to Worship - Projected

L: Around the world people gather
to break bread and pour wine.

P: We gather with them in heart and mind.

L: Around the world
the broken body is made whole.

P: As part of that body we join in its unity.

L: Around the world the Banquet of God
is prepared for the table.

*P: We, who share in the banquet,
come eagerly to be fed.*

L: Let us worship together,
let us share God's bounty.

~ written by Rev Gord

<http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>

*Hymn: "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

629 vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

Chorus

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat,
Come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

1.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when You call Your family, Lord,
We follow and rejoice.

Chorus

2.

With joyful lips we sing to You,
Our praise and gratitude,
That You should count us worthy Lord,
To share this heavenly food.

Chorus

4.

You give yourself to us, O Lord,
Then selfless let us be,
To serve each other in Your name
In truth and charity.

*Opening Prayer - Projected

**O God, the Giver of Life,
we pray for the church
throughout the world.
Sanctify, its life renew its worship,**

empower its witness, restore its unity.
Remove from your people all pride
and every prejudice
that dulls their will for unity.
Strengthen the work of all those
who strive to seek that common obedience
that will bind us together.
Heal the divisions
which separate your children
from one another, that they may keep
the unity of the spirit
in the bond of peace. Amen

*Prayer of Confession

*Sharing the Peace - "The Family of God"

I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God,
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His
blood!

Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,
For I'm part of the family,
The Family of God.

Proclamation and Response

The Hebrew Scriptures: Psalm 37:1-9

Psalm 37:1-9

Do not fret because of those who are evil
or be envious of those who do wrong;
2
for like the grass they will soon wither,
like green plants they will soon die away.
3
Trust in the Lord and do good;
dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
4
Take delight in the Lord,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
5
Commit your way to the Lord;
trust in him and he will do this:
6
He will make your righteous reward shine like
the dawn,
your vindication like the noonday sun.
7
Be still before the Lord
and wait patiently for him;
do not fret when people succeed in their ways,
when they carry out their wicked schemes.
8

Refrain from anger and turn from wrath;
do not fret—it leads only to evil.

9

For those who are evil will be destroyed,
but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the
land.

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God!

Praise Team: “If My People”

If My people

Which are called by My name

Shall humble themselves

Shall humble themselves and pray

If My people

Who are called by My name

Shall seek My face

And turn from their wicked ways

Then will I hear from heaven

Then will I hear from heaven

Then will I hear and will forgive

Forgive their sin

If My people

Which are called by My name

Shall humble themselves

Shall humble themselves and pray

I will forgive their sin

I will forgive their sin

I will forgive their sin

And heal their land

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Children’s Sermon: “A Mustard Seed Faith”

***Glory Be to the Father**

The New Testament: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Timothy, my dear son:

Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and Christ Jesus our Lord.

3 I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors
did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I
constantly remember you in my prayers.
4 Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I
may be filled with joy. 5 I am reminded of your
sincere faith, which first lived in your

grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7 For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 8 So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. 9 He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, 10 but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. 11 And of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. 12 That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

13 What you heard from me, keep as the pattern of sound teaching, with faith and love in Christ Jesus. 14 Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you—guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Sermon: “Blow on the Embers”

Meditative Interlude

Pastoral Prayer

The Offering

Offertory - “Make us One”

Doxology - Offering Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

Sending Forth

Closing Hymn: “For the Healing of the Nations” 428

Verse 1

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing
Of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love and action
Help us rise and pledge our word.

Verse 2

Lead us, forward, into freedom,
From despair your world release;
That redeemed from war and hatred,
We may come and go in peace.
Show us how, through care and goodness,
Fear will die and hope increase.

Verse 3

All that kills abundant living,
Let it from the world release,
That, redeemed from war and hatred,
All my come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

Verse 4

You, Creator God, have written
Your great name on humankind;
For our growing in your likeness
Bring the life of Christ to mind:
That, by our response and service,
Earth its destiny may find.

***The Blessing & Response: "The Trees of the Field"**

You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you

There'll be shouts of joy
And all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy

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Thrift Store

Tuesdays 6 pm – 8 pm
Thursdays 10 am – 2 PM
Saturdays 10 am – 2 PM

Food Bank

2nd and 4th Tuesdays,
6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.
Thursdays, 10 am – 11:30 am