



An Open & Affirming, Creation Justice
Congregation of the United Church of Christ

4 August 2024 – 10:30 AM
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*indicates the congregation is invited to stand.
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

PRELUDE *Shortnin' Bread* Traditional
JAZZ ON HIGH • Luke Shepherd, piano & vocals; Etienne David Franc, bass;
Eli Parker, clarinet; Samuel Kellerman, drums

WELCOME The Rev. David Pattee, pastor

*GATHERING SONG

**Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down,
Glory, glory, hallelujah! Since I laid my burden down.**

- 2) **Feel like shouting "Hallelujah!"...**
- 3) **Ev'ry round goes higher and higher....**

*RESPONSIVE PSALM from *Psalm 51* James Weller, liturgist

One: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
All: Do not cast me away from your presence, nor take your holy spirit from me.
One: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain me in a willing spirit.
All: Deliver me, O God, and my tongue will sing aloud of your praise.

*HYMN 270 [hymn sheet] *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* MATERNA

*GREETING OF PEACE

SCRIPTURE *John 6:24-35* James Weller

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

MEDITATION *Everybody Eats* Cab Calloway
SERMON *Bread and Truth* Pastor Dave
RESPONSE 793 Argentinian traditional

**Santo, santo, santo, mi corazón te adora!
Mi corazón te sabe decir: santo eres Dios.**
**Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy God.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH concluding with *A Prayer in the Spirit of Jesus*

**Earth-Maker, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Source of all that is and all that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is Heaven:
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.
May your Heavenly will be done by all creatures great and small.
And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need this day, feed us. For the hurt we inflict on one another, forgive us.
Through times of temptation, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love.**

OFFERTORY

Invitation
Offertory Music

www.PeaceUnited.org/giving
Truth



Kamasi Washington

As you come forward with your offering, you are invited to gather around the table
for the Communion prayers.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Prayers of Consecration
Distribution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

As you partake of the sacrament, you may return to your seat

*HYMN 347 [hymn sheet] *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* LINSTAD

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* arr. Luke Shepherd