

Fruitland and Payette United Methodist Churches

World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Please have the elements of communion prepared.

We will celebrate communion later in the service.

Prelude

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

William Moore

Welcoming the Light of Christ – please light a candle

CALL TO WORSHIP

Musical Interlude

Shall We Gather at the River?

Robert Lowery

Ringing the church bell

Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

UMH #526

**What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.**

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe 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, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.**

Unison Invocation

**Gracious and holy God,
We ask that this time might correct our thinking and influence our actions.
We come to worship you and only you.
We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus, the Christ.
Amen.**

Hymn

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

TFWS #2158

**I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.**

**Just a closer walk with thee; grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to thee; let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

**Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my sorrow shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.**

**Just a closer walk with thee; grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to thee; let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

The Lord's Prayer

Message

“He Was Talking About Them”

Matthew 21:33-46

The Communion Service

Communion Hymn

“Open Our Eyes Lord”

TFWS #2086

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

Our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
Who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.
Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession and Pardon

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
Our faith has been tested and we have stumbled.
Forgive us, we pray.
Our feet have strayed from the path of Christ and we have wandered from you.
Forgive us, we pray.
We have put our faith in the loud voices of this world, ignoring your whispers.
Forgive us, we pray.**

**We do want to follow Jesus, the Christ, in whose name we pray.
Amen.**

Hear the good news;
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. That proves God's love for us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!**

Bread and Cup

Please take the bread.
Please take the cup.

Please pray:
**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."
Strengthen us in mind, body, and soul for the days ahead.
May your Spirit fill us as we live and pray in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

Unison Benediction

**May the peace of the Lord Jesus go with you
wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness,
protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing
at the wonders he has shown you.
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.**

God be with you 'til we meet again.

Postlude

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

arr. Fred Bock