

With Christ as the Cornerstone, we will build a church of living stones, where every member is a minister and is equipped to express God's love by word and deed to all people. Based on I Peter 2:5, 6

The Worship of God

World Communion Sunday Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022

Prelude

"Pass It On" Tim Hendrix

Kurt Kaiser, arr. Kurt Kaiser and Fred Bock

Welcome Chrissy Williamson

There will be no designated time of offering during today's service, but please feel free to place your offering in the plates on either side of the center aisle in the back of the sanctuary at any time, or you can also give online by scanning the QR code on the back of this worship bulletin.

† Call to Worship

"Spirit of God"
GBC Children's Choir, Congregation

Words and Music: Seth Crissman and Greg Yoder

Spirit of God, grow in us that we may learn to love like Jesus. Spirit of God, go with us that we may share the love that frees us.

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† Opening Hymn

"Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness"
GBC Children's Choir, Congregation

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT; Words and Music: Bernadette Farrell

Refrain:

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

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[†] Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol throughout the service.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.

(Refrain)

Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed.

(Refrain)

Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.

(Refrain)

Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come.

(Refrain)

Prayer for the World

Chris Austin

Scripture Reading

Musical Reflection

John 6:1-15

Cathy Perkinson

Chrissy Williamson

Meditation for World Communion

"In Remembrance"
GBC Adult Choir

Words: Ragan Courtney, Music: Buryl Red

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.

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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 in your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of me, Do this in remembrance of me, In remembrance of me.

Communion Chrissy Williamson

With Christians around the world, we gather at Christ's table. Many hands have been hard at work preparing a unique communion experience for the occasion. In addition to the altar table, there are four additional tables with breads representing the four corners of the earth. All are invited to choose a table and dine in solidarity with the people of Asia, Africa, America, and Europe. Deacons are stationed at each table. They will serve communion by placing the elements in your hands. As we make our way to the tables and prepare to receive communion, let us pray for the people of the world and for God's peace to reign among us all.

Japanese Milk Bread, or Shokupan, is known for its milky-sweet taste and pillowy softness. It's enjoyed daily in Japan as breakfast toast and sandwich bread.

Sweet Sourdough is an American staple. Baked in many homes and bakeries, Americans enjoy sourdough bread on its own (think dinner rolls), served with fruit jam, or for sandwiches. Many Greystone members bake sourdough breads regularly!

Chapati is an unleavened flatbread. Adopted from Indian cuisine, African bread known as chapati has been a part of East African cuisine for centuries. The East African recipe is slightly different from its Indian counterpart.

Bauernbrot, or farmer's bread, is a hearty rye bread that is the standard loaf in many German homes, especially in the South. Bauernbrot was traditionally made from scratch in farm homes and baked in age-old, wood-fired ovens. At home, it takes a few hours from start to finish, but most of that time is spent resting the dough or baking it. The final product has a dense crumb, full flavor, and a chewy crust.

† Hymn of Response 460 "Let Us Break Bread Together" Congregation and GBC Handbell Choir

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;)

Refrain:

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Let us drink the cup together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us dring the cup together on our knees; (on our knees;)

(Refrain)

Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees;) Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees;) (Refrain)

Invitation to Rise Against Hunger

April Walker



Postlude

"Plenty Good Room" Tim Hendrix

Spiritual, arr. Lloyd Larson

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