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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 2020 9:00 A.M.

Welcome guests, visitors, members, and friends: we appreciate having you join us for worship today at our drive-in service! **You can hear the service by tuning in to 90.3 FM.** We hope that once the restrictions on gatherings are lifted that you will join us in-person in our sanctuary for worship, fellowship, and more! And we pray that you always feel welcome to return to Stony Creek UMC! **You can also listen to our services on the phone by calling (734) 206-2548.** If our church or Pastor Michael can ever be of assistance to you or your family, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

COMMUNITY SHARING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The God of wisdom sent Jesus Christ,

People: the bread of life,

L: to teach us his ways, feed us with his

P: flesh and blood,

L: and fill us with the Holy Spirit.

P: Thanks be to God!

OPENING HYMN

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

UMH #618

Let us break bread together on our knees, (on our knees)
let us break bread together on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us drink wine together on our knees, (on our knees)
let us drink wine together on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us praise God together on our knees, (on our knees)
let us praise God together on our knees. (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)

Let us praise God together on our knees, (on our knees)
let us praise God together on our knees, (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)

OPENING PRAYER

We are called into deeper, meaningful, authentic relationships with God and with people. We strive to be this community's catalyst for allowing that growth to take place by offering ourselves to the world in service, prayer, and fellowship.

People: God our Living Father, we give you thanks for sending our Lord Jesus Christ to give his life as bread for the world. Fill us now with your Spirit that we may make the most of the time, understanding your will and expressing your wisdom in the midst of the people you have chosen. Amen.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

People: Great God of steadfast love, we study your works and delight in your ways. Illumine our understanding by your Holy Spirit, that we may reverence your name, grow in your wisdom, and discern between good and evil. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (NRSV)

The Institution of the Lord's Supper

23 For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Reader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Leader: Christ, our living bread, has given his flesh for the life of the world. Filled with the Spirit, let us offer our gifts of thanksgiving to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: We give thanks to you, God, for sending your Son Jesus to be living bread for the world. Breathe on these gifts we bring, that through them your life may feed, strengthen, and bless this world, through Christ, our bread of life. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to the all-wise God who is gracious and merciful and keeps covenant with us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

People: All-knowing God, we are your children, but we have turned away from your wisdom and walked in our own ways. We have lived carelessly and squandered time. We have been foolish and failed to understand your will. We have been drunk with the wine of this world and debauched in our own desires. Purge us from evil and fill us with your Spirit. Clear our minds from clutter that we may discern what is right and walk in your ways. Amen.

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SILENT CONFESSIONAL PRAYERS

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful! God shows great and steadfast love to us through Jesus Christ, our bread of life. By his flesh and blood our sins are forgiven and we have eternal life. Alleluia! Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:41-58 (NRSV)

41 Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." 42 They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" 43 Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" 53 So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; 55 for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. 56 Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. 57 Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

YOUTH MOMENT

Pastor Michael

HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

UMH #620

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew,
servant or free,
woman or man no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts,
many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

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One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields,
scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 26:26-29 (NRSV)

The Institution of the Lord’s Supper

26 While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” 27 Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; 28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. 29 I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

MESSAGE “Back to Basics, Being the Church: Holy Communion” Pastor Michael

HOLY COMMUNION *see handout*

HYMN “For the Bread Which You Have Broken” UMH #614

BENEDICTION

Leader: The God of steadfast love feeds you with the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ, fills you with the Spirit, and guides you with wisdom; in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Be filled with the Spirit and make the most of the time. Walk in wisdom and grow in understanding of God’s will, feeding on the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ, our living bread. Go in peace. Amen.

All: AMEN.

POSTLUDE

Pastor: Rev. Michael W. Vollmer *Choir & Praise Band: Teresa Brtva & Katy Bunyea*
Pianist/Organist: Tammy Thayer *Sound Technician: Rich Brtva*

Pastor’s Public Office Hours:

During the pandemic, for health and safety concerns, Pastor Michael will not be holding public office hours, but will be available for appointments as he is able. To setup an appointment with Pastor Michael please call (989-600-6148) or email (revmwv@gmail.com) him to find a day and time. Regular public office hours will resume once the pandemic is over, or once it is deemed safe to do so.

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Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine...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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

L: And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us saying:

P: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as 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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD

L: Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

L: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: Amen.

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1. For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
2. By this pledge that you do love us, by your
3. With our saint - ed ones in glo - ry seat - ed
4. In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us, in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
at the heav - enly board, may the church that's wait - ing
hearts keep watch and ward; in the world where you have

spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
sent us, let your king - dom come, O Lord.

WORDS: Louis F. Benson, 1924 (Mt. 26:26-29; Mk. 14:22-25; Lk. 22:15-20;
1 Cor. 11:23-26)

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