Order for the Worship of God October 4, 2020

18th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion 11:00 AM Worship Service

WE COME TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: The table of God's love is set before us. Let us come to the banquet.

People: The table of God's salvation is set before us. Let us come to the banquet.

Leader: Before you come, you must know—all are invited to the table.

People: The rich and the poor, the old and the young, the conservative and the liberal, the gra

cious and the greedy.

Leader: All are invited. The table of God's hospitality is set before us.

All: Let us come to the banquet of our Lord with joy.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"On Eagle's Wings"

Robert A. Hobby

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #267 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high: Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky: Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend;

his love shall never end: Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again: Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,

singing forever more: Alleluia! Amen!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

O God, You are our Father. Forgive us when we forget that You have children in other lands whom You love. Forgive us when we think You only love people who look like us, or dress as we do, or think as we do. Tell us once again as we sit around the communion table that You love a whole world of people, and that we are brothers and sisters of all persons. Warn us that when we turn our backs upon any of your children, that we are turning our backs to You. Hear our prayer, O Father, and forgive us through Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

APOSTLES' CREED (Together)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Al mighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

WE GROW IN THE WORD

Luke 24:28-35 (NRSV) SCRIPTURE READINGS Matthew 25:35 (NRSV)

SERMON SERIES Some Things I'm Most Thankful For Just Now #3 "The Potential of Every Meal"

Chris Curvin, Pastor

HYMN #530 "One Bread, One Body" ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

Refrain 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

- 1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. (Refrain)
- 2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. (Refrain)
- 3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown gathered to one, for all. (Refrain)

WE UNITE IN PRAYER AND SACRAMENT

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Together*)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE SHARING OF THE CUP

(Please plan to celebrate communion during this livestream service by preparing a small portion of juice—or something to drink—and bread for your use at home.)

"Taste and See" **ANTHEM** arr. Michael Helman

(recording of Northwood's Chancel Adult Choir on May 5, 2019; Michele White, Soloist)

Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Bread of life, cup of salvation, come to the banquet of love.

Lord, you write your name upon our hearts; praise and thanks we give to you. Come and share the Word of life and love; gracious God we give you glory. Refrain Lord, you rule o'er all creation, tending all with loving hand. You gave us your Son, the Bread of Life; Loving God we give you glory. Refrain.

Praise to you, O God, Creator. Praise to Christ, Redeemer, King. Praise the Spirit who brings unity. Triune God we give you glory! Refrain

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

HYMN #757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples" (see front cover)

KINGSFOLD

BENEDICTION

PARTING SONG "The Servant Song" Richard Gillard

Stephanie Carson, Soloist

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Awake My Heart, with Gladness

Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

Stephanie Carson, Music Director Tom Huffman, Organist & Associate Music Director

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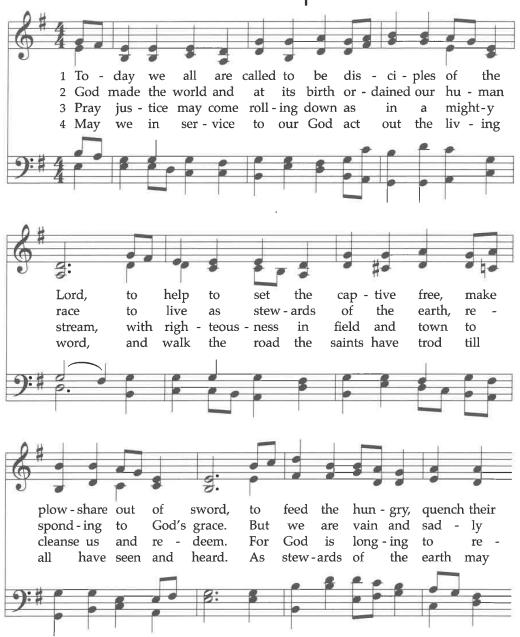


Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.



This Lord's Supper text is based on various Scriptures (1 Corinthians 10:16–17, Galatians 3:28, and 1 Corinthians 12:1–31) as well as imagery from the *Didache*, a significant Christian document from the early 2nd century, about scattered grain united in the eucharistic bread.

757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples



This text placing stewardship in the context of faithful witness was written by a retired Presbyterian minister to be part of the 1986 stewardship campaign titled "Called to Be Disciples." The tune name recalls the Sussex village where the arranger first heard the melody.

