

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
August 4, 2024
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost in the Season of Kingdomtide
Service of Holy Communion

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome: Beth Tinsley

Welcome to Mountain View United Methodist Church!

We are a BIG PICTURE congregation of believing ... thinking ... questioning ... and welcoming people.

Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.

Our mission is to love unconditionally ... grow spiritually ... and serve faithfully through Christ.

Come ... love ... grow ... and serve with us!

Please make sure to sign in in the black attendance book in your row. Please include your address if you are new to Mountain View or have a change of address.

TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Prelude: "For the Beauty of the Earth" MaryEllen Zimmerman
arranged by Ellen Foncannon

The Invitation

Leader: The God of all love and grace is with us and invites to His table of grace.

People: **We are blessed by the invitation and humbled that God even knows who we are.**

Leader: God not only knows your name but your circumstance. God knows your burdens and troubles. God knows your sins and mistakes that weigh you down. So let us unburden ourselves and confess those things that have kept us from truly living in God's grace and love.

People: **We come Lord, broken by sin and conflicted on where to turn and who to trust. Forgive us for not trusting You fully and for not loving our neighbors. By your love, free us to receive the blessings of this meal so that we may do better in following your commandment to love you and our neighbor.**

Minister: In the name of Jesus Christ and by his death and resurrection, God forgives you and frees you to love more fully.

People: **In Christ, we are now new creations. Let us give praise to God for his love and mercy. Thanks be to God.**

Hymns of Praise: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" The Faith We Sing # 2140
verses 1-3

By R. H. McDaniel and Charles H. Gabriel, Public Domain

What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
since Jesus came into my heart!

I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
since Jesus came into my heart!

Since Jesus came into my heart,
since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.

I have ceased from my wandering and going astray,
since Jesus came into my heart!

And my sins, which were many, are all washed away,
since Jesus came into my heart!

Since Jesus came into my heart,
since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.

I'm possessed of a hope that is steadfast and sure,
since Jesus came into my heart!

And no dark clouds of doubt now my pathway obscure,
since Jesus came into my heart!

Since Jesus came into my heart,
since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.

The Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you,

Response: "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Hymnal # 431

Children are invited to come forward during this song to join our Children's time.

Let there be peace on earth,

And let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth,

The peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator,

Children all are we.

Let us walk with each other.

In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me.

Let this be the moment now.

With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment
And live each moment.
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.

Children's Time

TO PRAY AND OFFER OURSELVES

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Mission and Ministry Moment

Presentation of our Offerings and Pledges

This month's special communion offering is Red Bird Missions

If you would like to make an offering online, see our [virtual offertory basket](https://www.mt-viewumc.org) at www.mt-viewumc.org.

Offertory Music: "Be Thou My Vision" MaryEllen Zimmerman
arranged by Ellen Foncannon

Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture: John 6: 24-25

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 sea, 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.

Message: "He Changes Everything" Rev. Jeff Wakeley

Hymn of Preparation: "Come to the Table" The Faith We Sing # 2264 twice
By Claire Cloninger and Martin J. Nystrom, 1991 Word Music, Inc.

Come to the table of mercy
Prepared with the wine and the bread.
All who are hungry and thirst,
Come and your souls will be fed.
Come at the Lord's invitation;
Receive from his nail-scarred hand.
Eat of the bread of salvation;
Drink of the blood of the lamb.

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Holy Communion **THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

Minister: Creator God, you are our creator and redeemer. Your spirit moves and gives life to everything. You blessed us and called us good. But when our love failed and we turned away from grace, you revealed your love to us by sending your son Jesus to live and die for us and shows us how to live in your grace and love our neighbors. And so we praise you, with all the company of saints in heaven:

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

Minister: On the night before he was arrested and crucified, Jesus dined with his friends and reminded them and us of your love revealed in the gifts of bread and juice before them on the table. He took the bread in his hands, gave thanks to you, broke it, and shared it with his friends, saying the familiar words,
“Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

And when the supper was over, he took the cup, again gave thanks for it, and shared it with all who gathered, reminding them, “Drink this all of you. This is the cup of my covenant with you, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” And so in thanksgiving we proclaim the power and the mystery of our faith.

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

Minister: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and these means of your grace. As we receive them into our bodies, may it nourish our souls and spirits and make manifest your grace and love for this world. May the bread and wine make us one in spirit and witness to your Kingdom of love and light. In that spirit of thanksgiving and love, we join together in the prayer that Jesus, our Lord and Savior, taught us to pray.

The Lord’s Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Receiving

AND GO OUT TO SERVE

Hymn: “Christ, We Are Blest”

By Steve Garnaas-Holmes and Slane/Harm. Carlton Young, 2009 Abingdon Press

Christ, we are blest as we gathered to dine,
Strengthened for love by the bread and the wine.

This is your body, now entering ours,
Strong with your loving miraculous powers.

You laid your life down like sowing seed;
Once dead and buried, from death you are freed,
Rising like wheat in the warmth of the sun!
Christ, you are risen! New life is begun!

Christ, you are risen, but not far above:
You live among us in each act of love,
In every deed of compassion you rise,
Living in flesh we can see with our eyes,

Jesus, you feed us, then bid us to leave,
Sharing with others the love we receive.
We are your body, sent by your command,
Making love real as the bread in our hands.

The Blessing

Postlude: "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus" MaryEllen Zimmerman
arranged by Ellen Foncannon