

INVITATION AND GATHERING

WELCOME

CENTERING WORDS

Enemies assail the innocent like raging waters, but God pulls them from the torrent. Our bodies break down and fail us, but the prayers of the faithful heal the sick. Everyone is salted with fire, but have salt in yourself and be at peace with everyone.

***SCRIPTURE READING Luke 18:1-8**

*** OPENING HYMN: 496.....Sweet Hour of Prayer**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let our hearts be lifted together in worship and prayer!

People: We have been so richly blessed by God's gift of prayer.

Leader: We are blessed that we might share all we are about in life with our Lord and Savior.

People: We offer prayers of thanksgiving and praise and prayers of supplication.

Leader: Whatever is upon our hearts we may take before the Lord God almighty.

People: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

*** LET US PRAY:**

O God, our creator and sustainer, we are so blessed by your gift of prayer. Give us the spiritual insight to see the true needs around us and the wisdom to lift those needs to you in prayer. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*** LET’S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

395.....Take Time to Be Holy

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Congregation)**

Lord, so often we have lived our lives as if you had never given us the gift of prayer. Too often in the daily routines of our lives we have totally failed to seek your will and guidance, and we have made our decisions by our wisdom alone, only to be upset with you later when things went wrong. Forgive us, Lord, and help us keep our hearts open to you in prayer. In Christ we pray. Amen.

*** LET’S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS: #454 Open My Eyes**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

When the road is hard and all hope seems lost, fear not. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. If God had not been on our side, we would be like ashes and dust. God has turned our sadness into joy, and our troubles into times of gladness.

***SCRIPTURE READING: James 5:13-18**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD MADE FLESH: **“The Power of Persistent Prayer”**

*** RESPONSE TO THE WORD: #102.....Now Thank We All Our God**
CONGREGATION IN PRAYER: Joys and Concerns

Let us pray: **The Lord’s Prayer**

*** PRAYER HYMN: # 2200 O Lord, Hear My Prayer**

*** HOLY COMMUNION**

*** CLOSING HYMN: #143.....On Eagle’s Wings**

*** DISMISSAL BLESSING**



Concerns

- ~ Shirley Platt (health concerns-doing better but still weak)
- ~ Sandra Rosado (prayers for complete recovery)
- ~ P. J. Mart (Kate's cousin who is in Strong Memorial waiting for a heart transplant)
- ~ Don Swanson (health concerns)
- ~ Kanae Swanson (strength)
- ~ Richard Harris (continuing prayers for recovery)
- ~ John & Shirley Zinter (health concerns) {Sue's parents}
- ~ Susan (strength & comfort)
- ~ Drivers for church van/transportation

- ~ Prayers for a Multi-Cultural Committee
- ~ Immigration
- ~ Prayers for asking God to be led to serve on our various committees
- ~ Amos's granddaughter, Angela, who is a missionary (Lyme disease, recovered, but now has internal parasites)
- ~ Luz (recovering from a heart condition)
- ~ Lindsey, Bev's granddaughter (has developed sarcoidosis as a result from COVID)
- ~ Laurie M (taking radiation treatments near her eye)
- ~ Barb Nicoll (heart valve replacement surgery)
- ~ Jeremy Flint & family (Jeremy's grandfather passed away)
- ~ Vicky Harris (exposed to COVID & quarantining)
- ~ Warren P (just had pacemaker set along with 2 stents, awaiting gallbladder surgery)

Joys

- ~ Joe & Rhonda are doing better and now back to work
- ~ Dorothy N (possible eye issue, but everything tested out fine!)

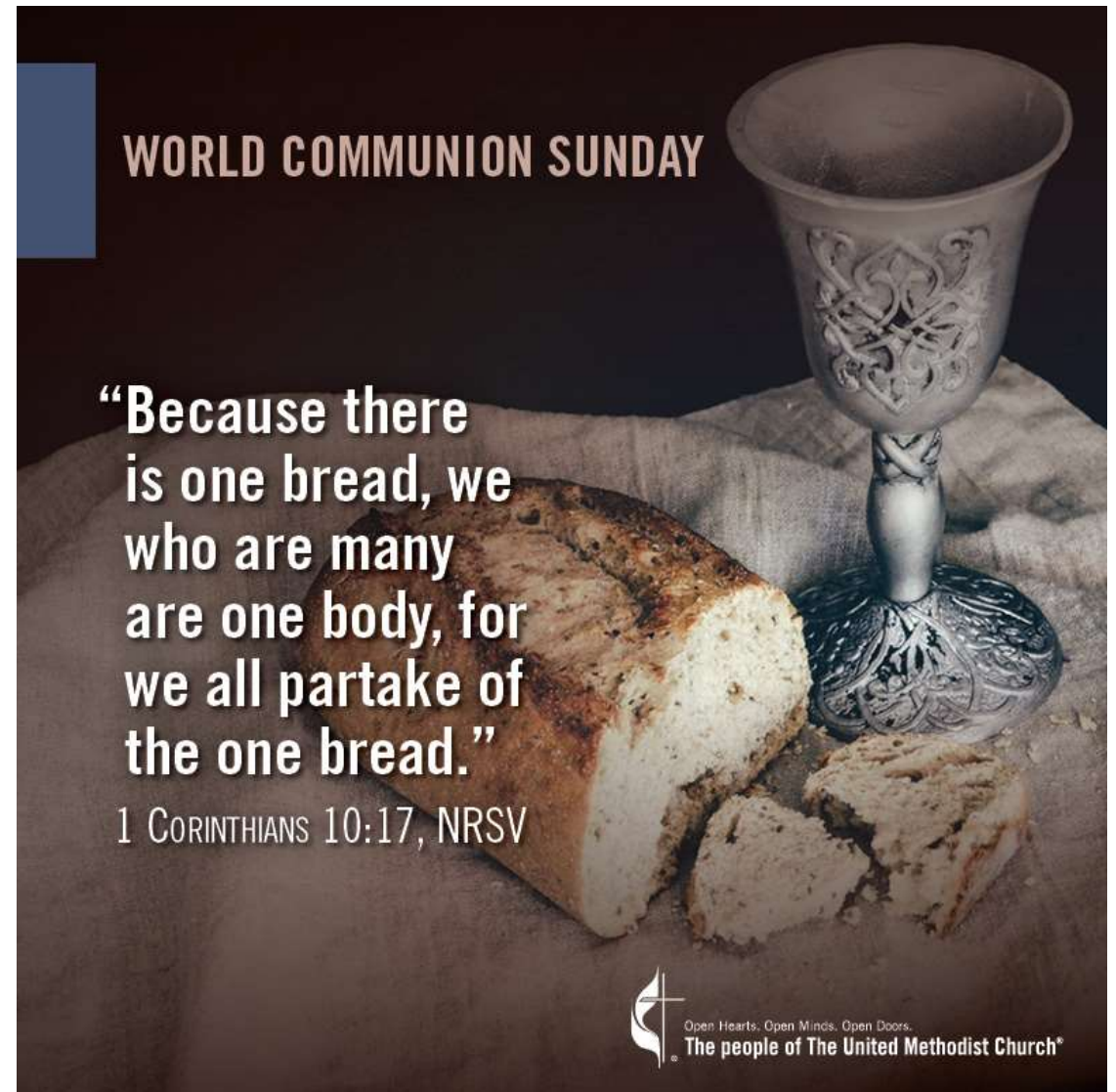
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