



**LOVE FIRST.
SERVE FIRST.**

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
OF MONTCLAIR & VERONA**



**WE WELCOME YOU ALL TO OUR SUNDAY SERVICE
AND APPRECIATE YOUR VIRTUAL PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION.**

October 3, 2021 + Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost + 10:00 AM

Bolded text - said in unison by all
* If able, please stand where indicated.

UMH - *United Methodist Hymnal*

TFWS - *The Faith We Sing*

CALLED TO PRAISE AND PRAY

Prelude

Karen Merchant (Guest Musician)

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather today, seeking the peace Christ gives.

People: We gather, in spite of many a conflict, many a doubt, within our souls.

Leader: We gather, longing for the breath of God's Spirit to give us courage and renewal.

People: Come, Christ Jesus, be our guest. Bless us through the power of your Spirit and give us the courage to live as your disciples day by day. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vs. 1,2)

UMH 57

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!

2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name.

Opening Prayer

Leader: O God, on this World Communion Sunday, give us eyes to recognize your reflection in the eyes of Christians everywhere. Give us a mind to accept and celebrate our differences. Give us a heart big enough to love your children everywhere. We thank you for setting a table with space enough for us all.

People: Amen.

Prayer of Confession

People: We confess that we have not loved you with our whole being, nor have we always loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for how we have judged our neighbors, cursed our enemies, been critical in ways that are unloving, been silent in the face of injustice, and put more confidence in ourselves than in you. We ask for your forgiveness when we have said cruel and unacceptable things in certain settings that we hoped would never be heard by those outside of those settings. Forgive us for our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Amen.

(Pausing for Silent Prayer and Confession...)

Words of Assurance

Leader: Hear the good news! Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness of sins to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you to do his will, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Sharing Our Joys & Concerns

Please share your joys and concerns in any of the following ways:

- Share it in the church's WhatsApp group (First UMC of Montclair & Verona).
- Write it as a comment on the wall of the Facebook Livestream.

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Message

Dr. Leslie Lester

Responsive Hymn

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

TFWS 2088

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name high.

CALLED TO THE WORD

***Psalter Reading**

Psalm 26

Leader: Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

People: Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind.

Leader: For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.

People: I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites;

Leader: I hate the company of evildoers, and will not sit with the wicked.

People: I wash my hands in innocence, and go around your altar, O LORD,

Leader: singing aloud a song of thanksgiving, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

People: O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell, and the place where your glory abides.

Leader: Do not sweep me away with sinners, nor my life with the bloodthirsty,

People: those in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes.

Leader: But as for me, I walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me.

**People: My foot stands on level ground; in the great congregation I will bless the LORD.
Amen.**

Hymn of Illumination

In Unity We Lift Our Song (vs 1, 4)

TFWS 2221

1. In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration, for brothers brave and sisters strong.
What cause for celebration! For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,
Who've shared with us our plight, who've held us in the night, the blessed congregation.

4. For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the Giver.
Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast whose hand will yet deliver.
Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away, when hate and fear are gone and
All our work is done, and we shall sing forever.

Epistle Lesson

1 Corinthians 14:9-12

9 So with yourselves; if in a tongue you utter speech that is not intelligible, how will anyone know what is being said? For you will be speaking into the air. 10 There are doubtless many different kinds of sounds in the world, and nothing is without sound. 11 If then I do not know the meaning of a sound, I will be a foreigner to the speaker and the speaker a foreigner to me. 12 So with yourselves; since you are eager for spiritual gifts, strive to excel in them for building up the church.

***Gospel Lesson**

Matthew 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

***Gospel Lesson in English, French, German, Korean, Marathi, Spanish**

Sermon

"Disciples of all nations"

Pastor ChangYong Shin

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Service of Holy Communion

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them up to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth and to make disciples of all nations, and today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples and said: "Drink from this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 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:

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with your Church throughout the world, and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in your name. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we

feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Thanksgiving (in unison)

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. Amen.

CALLED TO SHARE

Offering

***Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

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

Praise him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

CALLED TO WITNESS IN THE WORLD

***Closing Hymn**

This is My Song (vs. 1,2,3)

UMH 437

1. This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine:
but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are everywhere as blue as mine:
O hear my song, thou God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

3. This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one.
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations; myself I give thee; let they will be done.

***Sending Forth**

***Circle of Blessing**

Shalom to You

UMH 666

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

Postlude

Karen Merchant