

**courage, love and reconciliation in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of each day.**

One: We bear witness, too, to our failures and our complicity in the fractures of our world.

**All: May we be courageous today. May we learn today May we love today. Amen**

**↑Passing the Peace**

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One: We are invited to feast at the table of God’s Shalom, to seek the well-being and the wholeness of all creation. Peace for our bodies Peace for our souls,

**All: Peace in our relationships. Peace in our world.**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

**We Share the Word**

**Time with our Young People and Young at Heart**

*All are invited to come forward and sit in the front if they feel led.*

**Musical Offering**

Kelly Self, soloist

**Reading**

John 6:1-21

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After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when

he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

**Community Reflections**

Juan Sánchez, Katy Hickman, & Doug Jacobs

**We Pray**

**↑Hymn**

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*Spirit of the Living God*

**Sharing Our Joys, Concerns and Discoveries**

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*It is our practice to share our Gratitude and Joy, Concerns and Discoveries*

**Our Common Prayer** *(unison, please use the words that are most meaningful for you)*

Our Mother, who is in heaven and within us, we call upon your names. Your wisdom come. Your will be done, in all the spaces in which You dwell. Give us each day sustenance and perseverance. Remind us of our limits as we give grace to the limits of others. Separate us from the temptation of empire, but deliver us into community. For you are the dwelling place within us, the

empowerment around us, and the celebration among us, now and forever.  
Amen.

**We Give**

**Words that Inspire us to Give**

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**Musical Offering**

Kelly Self, soloist

**Prayer of Dedication (unison)** *Padraig O Tuama*

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God of the barley loaf, God of the boy, God of the fish, and God of the humble brother; when we do not have enough, may we use what we have to do what we can. Because a small boy did this, and generosity listened. Amen.

**We Are Sent**

↑**Sending Hymn**

#347 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

↑**Closing Blessing**

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Now may the One who is faithful to all be with us all as we depart this blessed place. May we be a blessing to every place we go, until we gather again. Amen.

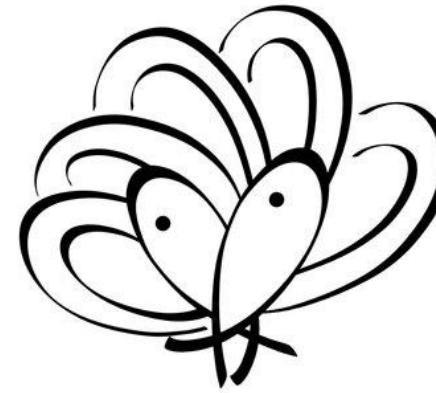
**Postlude**

Joe Lawrence

All Members, Ministers  
Rev. Ashley Hiestand, Pastor  
Joe Lawrence, Music Director  
Clay Widdifield, Moderator  
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↑Please stand in mind, body, or spirit as you feel comfortable.



**MOUNT HOLLYWOOD**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 28, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.**

**We Gather in Community**

**Welcoming Music**

Joe Lawrence

**Welcome & Announcements**

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**Ringing of the Bell**

Young Person

↑**Gathering Hymn-Sing**

↑**Gathering Responsive Prayer** *Padraig O Tuama*

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One: Courage comes from the heart and we are always welcomed by God, the heart of all being.

**A ll: We bear witness to our faith, knowing that we are called to live lives of**