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PUBLIC WORSHIP *of* GOD

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June 25, 2017  
*Trinity Season*



## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship  
and silence your mobile devices.*

All of us come to worship this morning with hungry hearts. We have a hunger to experience the transcendent. We have a hunger to love and be loved. We have a hunger for purpose and meaning in life.

Left to ourselves, we generally look to satisfy our hungry hearts with the treasures and pleasures of this world. In his Confessions, Augustine explains where this approach ends: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you."

In a world where people are crushed by pessimism and despair, Jesus promises us life ... abundant, spiritual, and eternal. Blaise Pascal, the French philosopher and scientist asserts: "It is good to be weary and frustrated with the fruitless search for the good (life), so that one can reach out one's arms instead to the Redeemer."

Worship involves us reaching out to our Redeemer. Joseph Hart sets forth our joyful privilege this morning:

*Come ye needy, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.  
Without money, without money, come to Jesus Christ and buy.*

## EXALT THE LORD

ORGAN PRELUDE: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" . . . . . Paul Manz  
*Samuel Metzger, organ*

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE: "Andantion from Concerto No. 3" . . . . Camile Saint-Saens  
*Aubrey Mills, Violin*

CHORAL INTROIT: "All That Hath Life and Breath" . . . . . Rene Clausen  
All that hath life and breath praise the Lord.  
Shout to the Lord, Alleluia!  
Praise Him, laud Him, Alleluia!

*The Westminster Singers (8:15), The Chancel Choir (11:00)  
Christy Young, Director*

SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP . . . . . Michael G. Stokke

♠HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 345 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" . . . AUSTRIAN HYMN

♠PRAYER OF ADORATION

# EMBRACE THE GOSPEL

## CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and gracious Father,  
we confess that too often we want a Savior  
on our terms to meet our needs.  
Yet, You have sent Jesus as manna from heaven  
to give us spiritual, eternal, and abundant life.  
Forgive us for seeking life and satisfaction  
in other people, causes, and things.  
Grant us the solid joys and lasting treasure  
that belong only to Your children.  
For we pray in the exalted name of Jesus Christ our Lord  
who alone can satisfy hungry hearts like ours. Amen.**

## INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF DIVINE PARDON

✦HYMN OF ASSURANCE: No. 646 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" . . . . . QUEBEC  
*stanzas 1-3*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS. . . . . Dan G. Burns

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "How Can I Keep from Singing?" . . . . . Taylor Davis

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentations.  
I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.  
Through all the tumult and the strife I hear its music ringing.  
It sounds an echo in my soul; how can I keep from singing?  
  
While though the tempest loudly roars, I hear the truth, it liveth.  
And though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth.  
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I'm clinging.  
Since love is lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?  
  
When tyrants tremble sick with fear, and hear their death knell ringing,  
When friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?  
  
In prison cells and dungeon vile, our thoughts to them are winging,  
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?  
  
*Aubrey Mills, violin; Jake Milligan, oboe*

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE . . . . . QUEBEC

**Our restless spirits yearn for Thee,  
Where'er our changeful lot is cast;  
Glad when Thy gracious smile we see,  
Blest when our faith can hold Thee fast.  
  
O Jesus, ever with us stay,  
Make all our moments calm and bright;  
Chase the dark night of sin away,  
Shed o'er the world Thy holy light.**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

# EAT THE BREAD

## ✦ GREETINGS

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:15) . . . . . W. Brian Lewis

A WORD ON REFUGEES . . . . . Edward J. Foster

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

GOSPEL LESSON: John 6:25-40 . . . . . Betty Eubank (8:15)  
(page 891 in pew Bible) . . . . . Don Batchelor (11:00)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,  
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

SERMON *I AM the Bread of Life* Richard G. Cain

## PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

## ✦ HYMN OF COMMITMENT:

No. 598 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" . . . . . CWM RHONDDA

## ✦ BENEDICTION

## ✦ CONGREGATIONAL THREE-FOLD AMEN

## ORGAN POSTLUDE:

Toccata on "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" . . . . . Christopher Pardini

✦ *Indicates congregation standing*

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## Refugee Sunday

Today we join with many other churches in our country to recognize "Refugee Sunday." More than 65 million people have been forcibly displaced from their homes, and 34,000 additional people are displaced every single day. The need to welcome refugees to the United States has never been greater.

Please see today's bulletin insert about the 40-Day Scripture and prayer challenge to lift up refugees. We also encourage you to pray for our local and national ministry partners working with refugees, including World Relief, Multi-National Ministries, and Refugee Empowerment Program.