

# COMMUNION SERVICE

Northampton Presbyterian Church

*“Simple Gifts Worship”*

*Tenth Sunday After Pentecost*

*August 6, 2023*

*10:00 AM*

# PRELUDE

*Meditation*

Lasky

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us for a reception welcoming our new Preschool Director, Geri Broaddus following worship this morning.
- Worship Committee, (day & time TBD) on Zoom.
- Men's Breakfast, Wednesday (8/9) at 8:30 AM at Robin Hood.
- **Sunday, September 3rd: Perkasio Park.** More info to follow!

# RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

*(inspired by Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21)*

ONE: I will exalt you, my God and King, and praise your name forever and ever.

**MANY: I will praise you every day; yes, I will praise you forever.**

ONE: Great is the Lord! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure his greatness.

**MANY: Let each generation tell its children of your mighty acts; let them proclaim your power.**

ONE: I will meditate on your majestic, glorious splendor and your wonderful miracles.

**MANY: The Lord is righteous in everything he does; he is filled with kindness.**

ONE: The Lord is close to all who call on him, yes, to all who call on him in truth.

**MANY: He grants the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cries for help and rescues them.**

ONE: The Lord protects all those who love him, but he destroys the wicked.

**MANY: I will praise the Lord, and may everyone on earth bless his holy name forever and ever.**

# **HYMN**

*Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!*

*LOUEZ LE SEIGNEUR*

**Praise, praise, praise the Lord!**

**Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!**

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# **PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

## **SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Break Thou the Bread of Life*

*BREAD OF LIFE*

**Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
As thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.  
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord.  
My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!**

**Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, now unto me,  
As thou didst bless the bread by Galilee.  
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall.  
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.**

# **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Genesis 32:22-31*

# **MONOLOGUE**

*Matthew 14:15-21*

# **SERMON**

*Strangely Related*

Rev. Judith A. Dwyer



## **OFFERING SENTENCE**

*(Scan the QR Code to give online →)*



**MUSICAL OFFERING** *(Jes Stehr, piano & Trish Conover, organ):*

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

arr. Mary McDonald

# COMMUNION

*The Invitation: “Wonder Bread” (video)*

*Words of Institution*

*Distribution*

*Prayer of Commitment*

*The Lord's Prayer (Sung):*

**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 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

# HYMN

*I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table*

*WELCOME TABLE*

**I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;**

**I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.**

**I'm gonna eat at the welcome table;**

**I'm gonna eat at the welcome table, Alleluia.**

**I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus;**

**I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus, Alleluia.**

**I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus;**

**I'm gonna eat and drink with my Jesus, Alleluia.**

**I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;**

**I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Alleluia.**

**I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers;**

**I'm gonna join with sisters, brothers, Alleluia.**

**Here all the world will find a welcome;**

**Here all the world will find a welcome, Alleluia.**

**Here all the world will find a welcome;**

**Here all the world will find a welcome, Alleluia.**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey;**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey, Alleluia.**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey;**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey, Alleluia.**

# **BLESSING**

*“Relatives”*

# **POSTLUDE**

*Festive Day*

*D. Frank*

## WORSHIP NOTES:

The **Call to Worship** is posted on the Community of Christ website. <http://www.cofchrist.org/worship12-13/13-11-10.asp>

The **Prayer of Invocation** is posted on Third Space. <http://third-space.org.uk>

The **Monologue** on Matthew 14:31-21 was written by Mark Diller Harder, St. Jacobs Mennonite Church, January 2010. Posted in the From Our Churches archive on the Mennonite Church Canada Resource Centre website. [http://resources.mennonitechurch.ca/FileDownload/12317/Boy\\_with\\_5\\_loaves\\_and\\_2\\_fish.pdf](http://resources.mennonitechurch.ca/FileDownload/12317/Boy_with_5_loaves_and_2_fish.pdf)

The **Invitation to the Lord's Supper** is a film entitled "Wonder Bread" produced by The Work of The People. [www.theworkofthepeople.com](http://www.theworkofthepeople.com). Music by Welcome Wagon & Lenny Smith. A Public Presentation License subscription purchased on July 16, 2023 permits Northampton Presbyterian Church to present TWOTP films to the public, download and include in a service and stream to a public audience.

The **Prayer of Thanksgiving** is posted on [re-worship.blogspot.com](http://re-worship.blogspot.com).

The **Blessing** is written by Steve Garnaas-Homes and posted on his website at [www.unfoldinglight.net](http://www.unfoldinglight.net).

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