



"Loaves and Fishes" John August Swanson, 2003

Sunday Worship

July 25th, 2021 - 10:30 am

PRELUDE

Belinda Vair, Organist and Choir Director

CALL TO WORSHIP

(leader, **PEOPLE**)

adapted from Psalm 14

The foolish say, "There is no God! We are alone, on our own."

WE GATHER TO DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD IN OUR LIVES.

The foolish say, "It is your life; you are accountable to no one."

**WE GATHER, STRENGTHENED BY THE SPIRIT,
TRUSTING THAT CHRIST LIVES IN OUR HEARTS.**

The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine; I owe nothing to any one."

WE GATHER TO PRAISE THE ONE WHO CALLS US TO SERVE OTHERS IN LOVE.

OPENING HYMN

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

#145

Rejoice ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your King.

Rejoice! rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as you go;
From youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. **CHORUS**

At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. **CHORUS**

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION (leader, **PEOPLE**)

Adapted from Psalm 14

Who among us hasn't wondered if God really exists?
Who among us hasn't recoiled in revulsion when reflecting upon the horrible
and terrible acts we might be capable of?

**WHO AMONG US HASN'T FELT THE AGONY OF A
LIFE LIVED APART FROM GOD'S LOVE?**

Yet in our emptiness, in the depths of our despair, the Lord seeks us out;
the Lord hears our cries;

THE LORD BECOMES OUR REFUGE AND OUR STRENGTH.

In you, gentle savior, our hearts are glad; we rejoice in your salvation.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR FORGIVENESS WHEN WE DON'T DESERVE IT.

(Silent Prayers)

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end, amen! Amen!

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 14

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER HYMN

"Let Every Christian Pray"

#130

Let every Christian pray, this day and every day, come, Holy Spirit, come!
Was not the church we love commissioned from above? Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit brought to birth the church of Christ on earth to seek and save the lost:
God never has withdrawn, since that tremendous dawn, the gifts at Pentecost.

Only the Spirit's power can fit us for this hour: come, Holy Spirit, come!
Instruct, inspire, unite, and help us see Your light: come, Holy Spirit, come!

NEW TESTAMENT

John 6:1-15

SERMON

"The Miracle of Food"

SENDING HYMN

"Song of Hope"

#432

May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.

**Praying, let us work for peace,
Singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Belinda Vair

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