I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE





First United Methodist Church of Seattle is a progressive faith community offering a place to grow spiritually and a refuge of inclusive Christianity. We use our voices and energy to advocate for persons on society's margins and for all God's creation.

First United Methodist Church of Seattle 180 Denny Way Seattle, WA 98109

July 28, 2024 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

- GATHERING -

Prelude Come and Find the Quiet Center - arranged by Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

* Call to Worship (Source: enfleshed) Peter Jabin

To offer radical acceptance, this is to meet the Holy,

to receive the warmth of welcome, this is to co-create the World to Come.

to devote ourselves to acts of ordinary

For even amidst tumult,

care, liberation can be tended like a garden.

to rest for the sake of rest,

Let us worship God—

to unlearn the logic of violence, the Holy woven through our days.

to practice expansive compassion—

* Opening Hymn UMH 381 "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

* Passing of the Peace Peter Jabin

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jackie Celin

Land Acknowledgement Peter Jabin

- CENTERING -

Lighting the Community Candle

Peter Jabin

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself today,

across the spectrum of human existence, sexuality, identity, ability, or privilege;

in a world full of questions, doubts, and a climate in crisis;

may this community be a place of companionship and healing for you.

Know this: There is nothing that can separate you from God's all-embracing love.

Christ invites you – Christ invites us – to find him in worship and celebration today.

Special Music Let Us Break Bread Together - Moses Hogan

Ibidunni Ojikutu, soloist; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

Prayers of the People Peter Jabin

Prayer Response TFWS 2200 O Lord, Hear My Prayer sung 2X

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer

When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.

Come and listen to me.

- PROCLAIMING -

Old Testament Reading Ephesians 3:14-21 (NRSVUE) Jean Braun

New Testament Reading John 6:1-21 (NRSVUE) Rev. Kathryn Everett

This is the word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon More than enough Rev. Wongee Joh

- RESPONDING -

Invitation to the Offering Peter Jabin

Offertory Until All are Fed - Brown, Morris and McFarland Ibidunni Ojikutu, soloist; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

* Offering Response TFWS 2260 "Let Us Be Bread"

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
broken and shared. life for the world.

Let us be wine, love freely poured.

Let us be one in the Lord.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Rev. Wongee Joh & Peter Jabin

**The Lord's Prayer (sung to UMH #271):
Our Creator, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever.

- SENDING -

Call to Discipleship Rev. Jackie Celin

* Closing Hymn UMH 399 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Blessing and Sending Rev. Wongee Joh

Postlude Toccata in d minor - Gordon Nevin Elisabeth Ellis, organist

^{*}All may stand as able.

^{**}You are invited to use the translation of the Lord's Prayer with which you are most comfortable. Our Thanks to Those Helping in Worship: Lay Worship Leader, Peter Jabin; Reader, Jean Braun; Reader, Kathryn Everett; Communion Steward, Violet Boyer; Greeter, Eleanor Schubert; Music, Elisabeth Ellis; Audio-Visual Operator, Laura Celin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Game Night - Reuben's Brews (Fremont): On July 30 at 7pm, bring your favorite board game or join in with others as we enjoy food, fun, fellowship, and either competition or collaboration (depending on the game). All are welcome! Sign Up on our website under Events.

Dismantling Racism Group Book Study | Tuesdays in September: Mark your calendars for this upcoming book study in September on the book When God Became White: Dismantling Whiteness for a More Just Christianity, by author Rev. Dr. Grace Ji-Sun Kim.

Thank you for your offerings and Communication Cards! You can drop them in the offering plate or make a gift online by using the QR code with your smartphone, or at FirstChurchSeattle.org/give

ABOUT US



We're called "First Church" because we are Seattle's first congregation, established in 1853. We cherish our place in Seattle's past, present, and future. First Church is a proud member of the Reconciling Ministries Network, a community "committed to intersectional justice across and beyond the United Methodist connection, working for the full participation of all LGBTQ+ people throughout the life and leadership of the Church."









