Highland Avenue United Methodist Church

17th Sunday after Pentecost World Communion Sunday October 5, 2025 9:30 a.m.



GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

Words of Welcome

The Prelude: "Let Peace Descent"

The Call to Worship: (from Ministry Matters, inspired by Revelation 7)

From every nation, in every language, we cry out:

"Salvation belongs to our God, and to the Lamb!"

Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving!

Honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

Amen! Amen!

*The Opening Hymn: "One Bread, One Body" UMH # 620

Unison Prayer (by Constance Cherry, in: Worship Any Time or Place)

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church: we rejoice that you have formed your people into one body comprised of believers of every race and nation. Your salvation has reached to the ends of the earth and to all generations. We praise and thank you that your gospel has reached us and that our voices will join those of many languages this day to proclaim your praise. Accept our praise, purify our hearts, instruct us in your word, feed us at your table, and visit us with your Spirit that we may follow in the ways of faith, to the glory of God. Amen.

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

The Scripture Lessons: Luke 22: 14-20 1 Corinthians 12: 12-13

A Time for Children; "Bread of the World"

Pastoral Reflection: "The Lord's Table: Remembrance, Communion & Hope"

Meditation in Music: "Come to the Table" Words and Music by Ralph Cheney

Holy Communion (by John Wurster and Keatan King) insert

A Time of Prayer

Celebrations and Concerns Silent Prayer Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH # 895

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

The Offering

*Doxology UMH # 95

*The Prayer of Dedication

Most loving and gracious God, we are thankful. We are thankful for your grace to us in Jesus Christ, for your gift of the church in its global witness, for the capacity to give. May these gifts help prepare the way of peace in our community around the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*The Closing Hymn: "This Is My Song" UMH # 437

Benediction

Announcements and Prayer

Postlude: "I Haven't a Clue"

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE

Our Though s and Prayers are with you

Harold Aziz
Trisha Aziz
Tom Bailey
Kari Barrett
Geneva and Norman
Beckwith
Michael Breed
Rick Breed
Cathy Brissette
Jim Brown
Kendal Buck
Cameron (Ralph's
grandson)
Gretchen Clark

Please pray for:

Karen Crommett **Danielle** Donna & Mike DiTaranto Cheryl and Chip Edgecomb Patricia Evis Lynn Gerard Kay Gregory Judy Harriman and family Bev Hayward Russell Hickey Tracie James Linda Jamison Vicky Kelley Michael LaPlante Ann LeClair Kevin Lee Cathy & Mark

Leonard

Lois, sister-in-law of Pat O'Connor Jerry Lucas Darlene Manzo Steve McNelly Kathy Meserve Tony Morgan Pat O'Connor Dennis O'Driscoll Silvia Palmer Linda Pare Carla Parsons Peggy Philips Jessie Powell **Sylvia Quint** Judy Quintal Morris Quintal Alton Ranks Cody Russell

Bette & Sicky

Seymour
Sherman Family
Myron Smith
Sullivan Smith
Flo Sutter
Randy and Lisa
Thibeau
Rick Thombs
Tracy
Samantha Dunn
Walker
Jane Weir
Bert Winslow
Irene Wise

People of the Middle East The Military Border Concerns People of Ukraine Victims of Violence Victims of Natural Disasters