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World Communion Sunday

October 5, 2025 10:30am MT

Order of Worship

Welcome

Gerri Warner

Prelude

Communion, Op. 8 by Louis Vierne

Paulette McClellan

*Call to Worship

Gerri

One: In a world that remains divided and in conflict, God is inviting us, to make us one.

Many: Today we gather around one table, in answer to God's will.

One:

What do we find at today's table?

Many: God's love, which endures all things and connects all things.

One: What is not at today's table?

Many: The many powers of the world, which seek to stand over others.

One: Let us repent, and give thanks for God's power to bring salvation to all who believe.

Many: Thanks be to God! Make us witnesses of Your love.

All: Let us worship together the true God, who makes us one.

*Opening Hymn

Break Thou the Bread of Life

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*Opening Prayer

Gerri

Heavenly One, your reach extends to every person, every nation, offering grace, forgiveness, and hope. A saving embrace drawing us to you and each other.

Make us your children: grateful for a place at your feast, humble before your love and generosity, rejoicing in the beauty of each sibling.

Make us your children: faithful in honoring and welcoming all, eager in sharing what we have found in you – safety, belonging, identity, a home of nurture and sending forth. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 133

Dave Hesse (in German)

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

One: A word from God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

John 17:20-23

Lauri Rigler (in French)

"I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

One: A word from God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God.

Prayer Hymn

Fill My Cup, Lord

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(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with us at office@montevista.org.)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Wayne Hammar

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

A Communion Invitation by Craig Courtney

Vista Voices

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Daniel Parra (in Spanish)

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect, whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

One: A word from God for the people of God. Many: Thanks be to God.

Message

Krista Johnson Weicksel

Special Music

Come, Let Us Eat by Cathy Mokelbust Vista Bells

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table

Bonnie Sanchez

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*Communion Hymn

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

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Words of Institution

Prayers for the Elements

Bonnie

Receiving Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Wayne

Invitation to the Community of MVCC

Anne

*Closing Hymn

Here We Gather as God's People

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*Announcements

Anne

*Benediction

Krista

Postlude

Mode de Sol [from Huit Pièces Modales]

Paulette

by Jean Langlais

Gerri Warner, Worship Leader Wally Miller, Sound

Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist Krista Johnson Weicksel, Message

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WORDS: St. 1, 2, Mary A. Lathbury, 1877; st. 3, Alexander Groves, 1913, alt. MUSIC: William F. Sherwin, 1877

BREAD OF LIFE 64.64D



WORDS and MUSIC: Richard Blanchard, 1959

FILL MY CUP Irr.

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth



WORDS: Jean Janzen, 1991, based on the writings of Julian of Norwich (14th century)

MUSIC: Brent Stratten, 1994

JULIAN LM w. repeat

Here We Gather as God's People



Here we gath - er as God's peo - ple with our friends from far and near;



let our voic-es sound with prais-es know-ing Christ has called us here.



Now we seek and greet each oth - er, now in joy ap-proach our friends.



Here we min-gle, bound to-geth-er as to all our love ex-tends.

WORDS: Daniel B. Merrick, 1991

USIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

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