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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude "Brother James" Arr. Dale Wood

Call to worship

Leader: Come, you who hunger for food.

People: worship the Lord who turns want into plenty.

Leader: Come, you who hunger for justice.

People: worship the Lord who turns weeping into laughter.

Leader: Come, you who hunger for life.

People: worship the Lord who is our hope and our strength.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" #152

Confession

Leader: O Christ, when the crowds surrounded You, hungry for bread and for Your word,

People: You took an offering- five loaves, two fish, and made for them a feast.

Leader: Still, O Lord, we doubt the abundance of Your grace.

People: Still, O Lord, we hesitate to share the gifts we have.

Leader: Still, O Lord, we wonder if there is enough for all.

People: Forgive us, O God, and make us a more generous people.

Leader: We hear Your Spirit beckoning us to follow.

People: Empower us to share the gift of our lives, and enlighten us to see the miracles around us- for You are the giver of grace upon grace, the one who turns want into plenty.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Rejoice! God's love is poured over you day after day. Feel the power of God's mercy in your life, and remember the good news of the Gospel:

All: Through Christ Jesus, who loves us and dwells in us, we are forgiven, and freed to try again. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection

"The Wonder of it All"

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

"There's A Miracle Here"

Mr. Steve Reis

Hymn of Commitment

"Christ for the World We Sing"

#568

Benediction

Postlude

Postlude on "Lancashire"

Jason D. Payne

Today, we welcome **Mr. Steve Reis** as the guest preacher. In addition to serving on the staff of First Church, Mr. Reis is currently attending United Theological Seminary.

Mark Your Calendars...

- August 10: Church Council meeting in-person
- August 29: 5th Sunday Breakfast

Chance! Choir Party at Rotary Park

For returning choir members, and we especially want to invite NEW choir members. NOW is the time to join us!

- Wednesday, August 4 from 5:00-9:00 pm
- Harris Pavilion at Rotary Park
- Meat (BBQ), dessert, & drinks provided; please bring a side dish

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