

“A Great Feast to Behold: Five Barley Loaves and Two Fish”



*Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
July 25, 2021*

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ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

WELCOME Pastor Mary Hurley

PRELUDE Katie Maurer

RINGING OF THE BELLS

*OPENING HYMN “Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (#13, vs 1, 3)

*CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: Your creation gives thanks to you, O God.
People: And we, your faithful, bless you.
Leader: We shall speak of the glory of your realm and tell of your power.
People: We shall let all people know your mighty deeds and glorious splendor.

*INVOCATION (in unison)
Generous God, you give us what we need and satisfy our desires in due season. Grant that our inner beings may be strengthened through your Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith, that you may accomplish within us far more than all we ask or can imagine. Amen.

*RESPONSE– Gloria Patri

MORNING PRAYER Pastor Mary

RESPONSE
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.

LORDS PRAYER (in unison)

SONG “Ancient of Days” Katie Maurer

SCRIPTURE John 6: 1-15 (NRSV) Pastor Mary

SERMON Pastor Mary
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INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “There is None Like You” Katie Maurer
(LeBlanc/Arr. Tornquist)

*RESPONSE “Bless Thou the Gifts” (p. 625)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (in unison)
We rejoice with thanksgiving for all we have received. Multiply these gifts that we give so that the world may more deeply know fullness of life in you. Amen.

BAPTISMAL HYMN “Down to the River to Pray” Katie Maurer

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
INVITATION
WELCOME
ADDRESS
PARENTAL PROMISES
CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT
BLESSING OF THE WATER
ACT OF BAPTISM
PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

*CLOSING HYMN “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” (#273, vs 1, 3, 4)

*BENEDICTION Pastor Mary

POSTLUDE Katie Maurer

(*) All who are able please stand when noted.