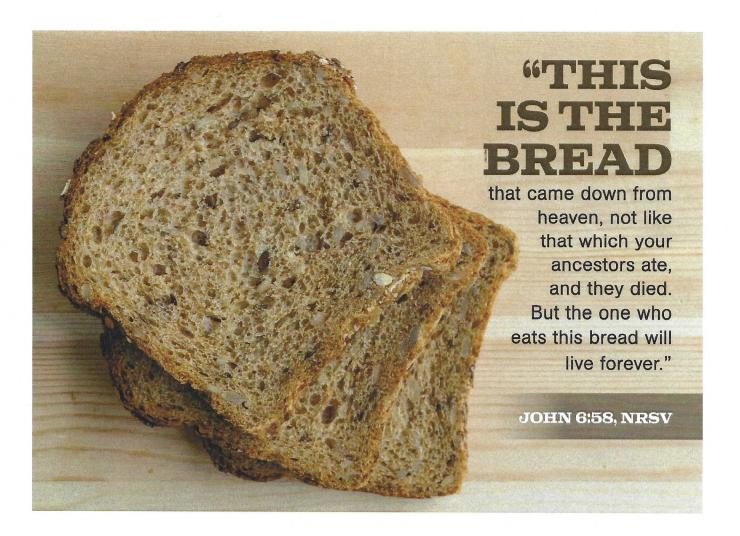
East Parish United Methodist Church

Established 1834

East Parish is a Church open to all, which nurtures and enables people to experience God's transforming love and serve others in Jesus'name.



August 1, 2021 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Book of Remembrance is opened to the Glory of God, in loving memory of Sadie A. Field.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you wish to become a member of our church family, or to be baptized, contact Pastor Wichmann at nan wich@bellsouth.net

* OPENING HYMN

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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CALL TO WORSHIP (Ministry Matters)

- L: From God came the sustenance for people who wandered in wilderness places.
- P: That was the bread from heaven!
- L: From God comes Jesus Christ, the eternal bread that sustains our lives.
- P: Christ is the Bread of Life!
- L: Let us praise God for such wondrous gifts of life.
- P: Let us sing and raise our voices in gratitude for all that God does for us. AM

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Along life's pathways, we search continually for signs to point us in positive directions. Christ has given us a sign that points us to healing and hope: that is the sign of the Bread of Life. No more shall we hunger and thirst after the things which cannot sustain us. Now we are fed and nourished by Christ! Open our hearts in gratitude, O God, for all the wondrous things you have done for us. Open our Spirits to hear your words of hope for us today. AMEN.

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 John 6:24-35

SERMON

"Bread of Life"

Rev. Nancy Wichmann

* HYMN

"Become to us the Living Bread"

#630

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to share your prayers of thanksgiving or petition. You may also send them to Pastor Wichmann at nan_wich@bellsouth.net; indicate whether or not they should be shared.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L. Please greet your neighbors with the blessing: "The peace of Christ be with you."

P. And also with you.

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"Ave Maria"

Peter Benoit

* DOXOLOGY

No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST
God be with you.
And also with you
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to our God.
Let us give thanks to our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right...
... we lift our voice to join their eternal song:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God. Hosanna in the highest.

... As we proclaim the mystery of the faith. Christ, you died, are risen, and will come again. We await your kin-dom come on earth, when your peace and justice will reign.

... And now, as children of God, we are bold to pray as Jesus taught us: Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power and the glory now and forever.

- * HYMN
- "Fill my Cup, Lord"

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- * BENEDICTION
- * BENEDICTION RESPONSE "This is the Feast of Victory" #638 (insert)
 vs. 3 Antiphon
 Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. This is
 the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

"Festive March"

Murray Bradshaw

*Indicates that we rise in body or in spirit.

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

2 The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. 3 The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of Yahweh in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

4 Then God said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether

they will follow my instruction or not.

9 Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to Yahweh, who has heard your complaining." 10 And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of God appeared in the cloud. 11 Yahweh spoke to Moses and said, 12 "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am Yahweh your God."

13 In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. 14 When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. 15 When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that God has given you to eat.

(New Revised Standard Version, adapted)

John 6:24-35

24 So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

25 When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" 26 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of the Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." 28 Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" 29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30 So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." 32 Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34 They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

(New Revised Standard Version, adapted)

Prayer List

Church of Christ

Ministries of East Parish United Methodist Church

For the slain everywhere

Vicki Hall (for a kidney)

Ashley Fowler (Craig's brother)

Deb McAdams

Steve Smith

Candice Short

Joni McPhee

Ken Eaton

Julie Allred

Corey Amlin (BIL of Martha Murray)

Linda Murphy (friend of Samantha Stanton)

Family and friends of Ronald DeMayo (Joanne's uncle)

Victims of sexual abuse and assault

Victims of natural disasters

Division in the United Methodist Church

Deplorable treatment of refugees and asylum-seekers on the southern border of the US

For those whose voices are so often ignored

All who have suffered with, because of, or died from COVID-19

For our country, desperately in need of unity and humanity

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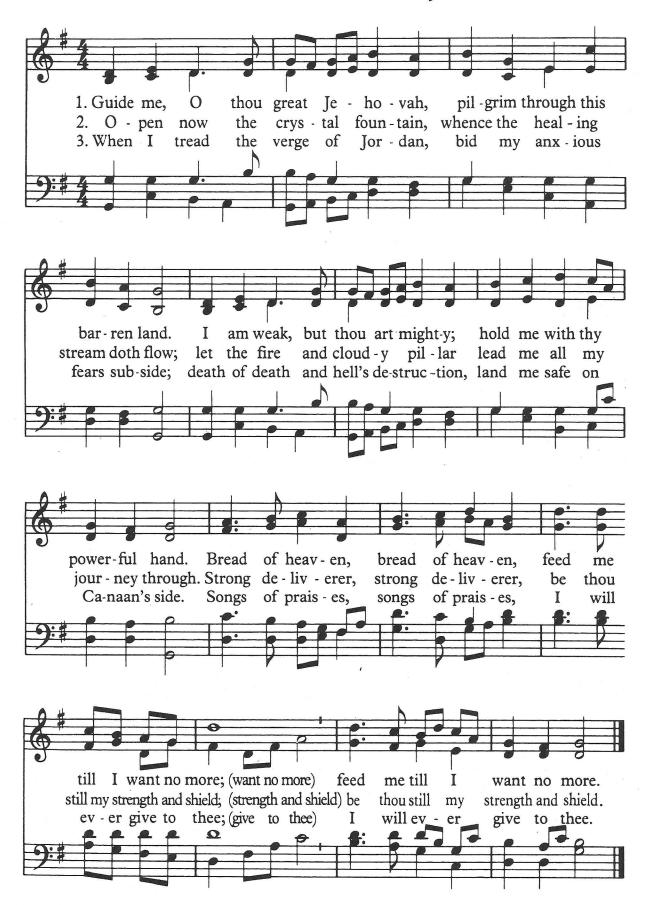
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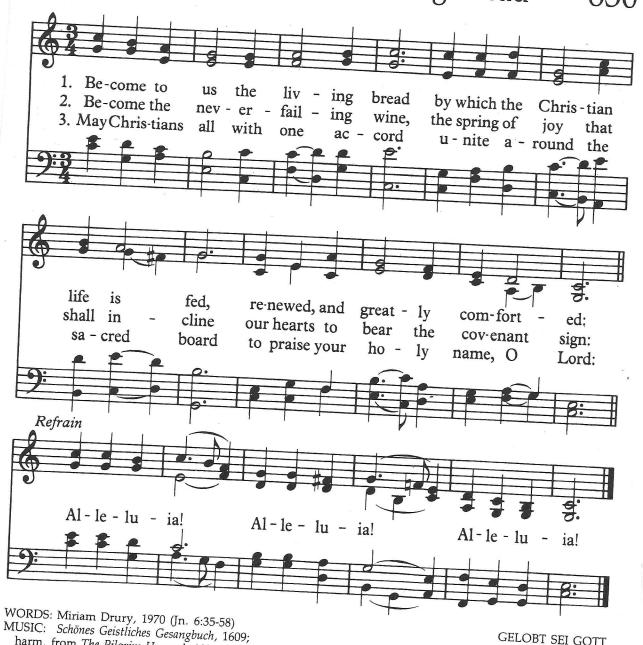
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FILL MY CUP

THE LORD'S SUPPER), see further: