

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Sunday, October 6, 2019

Prelude

Welcome

Introit

Call to Worship

T. Peterson

Leader: God calls us to a feast!

**People: The table is set,
and we come from east and west,
from north and south to gather at Christ's
table.**

Leader: Compassion, love, and grace
are poured out like fine wine.

**People: We come to share our stories and God's
story,
to share our hope and our pain,
to share our wisdom and our laughter.**

Leader: The table is set,
so come let us worship God together!

Processional Hymn 381

McKEE

In Christ There Is No East or West

**In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or
north; but one community of love throughout the
whole wide earth.**

**In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high com-
munion find; his service is the golden cord close
binding humankind.**

**Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race
may be; all children of the living God are surely kin
to me.**

**In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet
south and north; all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.**

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

adapted from M. Tirabassi & J. Grant

**Gentle God, hear our confessions: Forgive us the
words we have said that have given pain, and the
words we have left unsaid that might have given
hope. Forgive us the actions we have taken that have
harmed friend or stranger, and the things undone
that could have made a difference. Have mercy on
us, Grace-filled one, and grant us peace. Hear our
prayers...** (*moments for silent reflections*)

Words of Assurance

Anthem

Draw the Circle Wide

M. Miller

Hymn 311

LET US BREAK BREAD

Let Us Break Bread Together

**Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our
knees) Let us break bread together on our knees; (on
our knees) When I fall on my knees, with my face to
the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)**

**Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on our
knees) Let us drink wine together on our knees; (on
our knees) When I fall on my knees, with my face to
the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)**

**Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)
Let us praise God together on our knees; (on our knees)
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising
sun, O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me)**

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is
in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and for-
give us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us
not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine
is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen**

Offertory

Ubi Caritas

M. Duruflé

Where charity and love are, God is there.

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice and be glad in Him.

Let us fear and let us love the living God.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson

Luke 22:14-20

*¹⁴When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the
apostles with him. ¹⁵He said to them, "I have eagerly desired
to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; ¹⁶for I tell you, I
will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of
God." ¹⁷Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said,
"Take this and divide it among yourselves; ¹⁸for I tell you
that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until
the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹Then he took a loaf of bread,
and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to
them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do
this in remembrance of me." ²⁰And he did the same with the
cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you
is the new covenant in my blood."*

Sermon

Sacrament of Holy Communion

One Bread, One Body J. Foley

*Chorus: One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless... and we, though
many, throughout the earth; we are one body in this
one Lord.*

Everyone is welcome to share in this meal.

*Please serve one another the gluten free, tree nut and pea-
nut free bread, and eat as you are served symbolizing your
individual need for Christ.*

*Hold the cup of juice until all are served,
that we may express our unity in Christ by
drinking together.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*unison*)

**Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have
refreshed us at your table by granting us the pres-
ence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our
love for one another, and send us forth into the
world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power
of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Hymn 366

SIYAHAMBA

We Are Walking (Siyahamb')

**We are walking in the light of God, we are walking in
the light of God. We are walking in the light of God,
we walking in the light of the light of God. We are
walking, walking, we are walking, walking, we are
walking in the light of God.**

Benediction

Passing of the Peace

Postlude

C. Saint-Saëns

Fugue in E-flat Major, Op. 99, No. 3