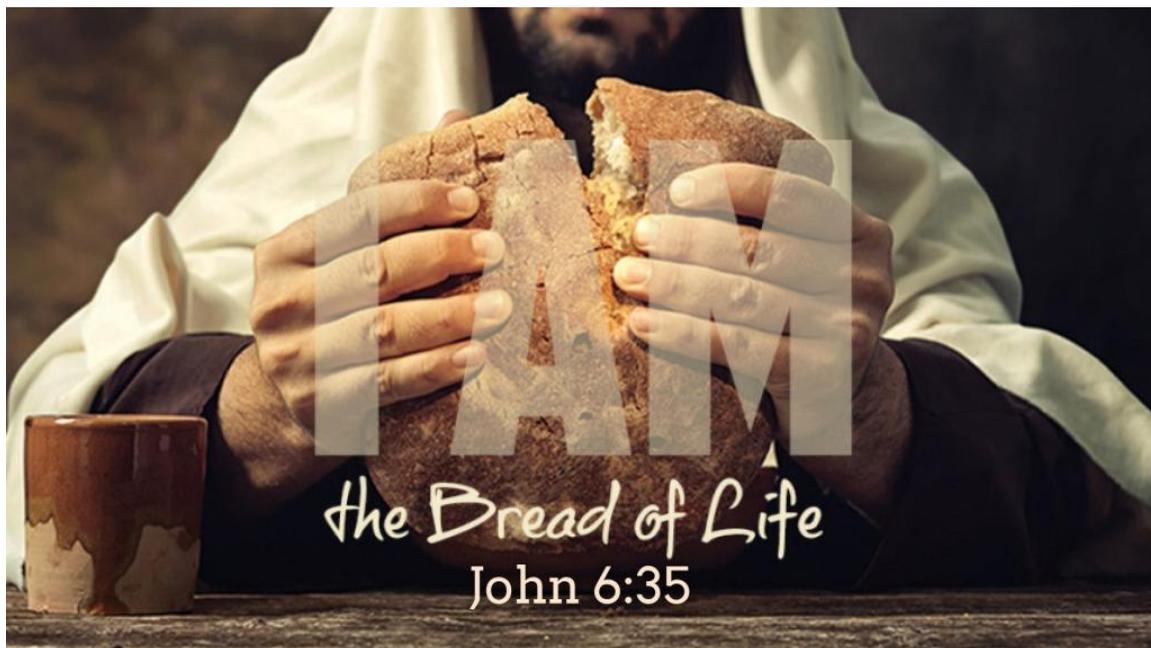


**First Congregational Church UCC**  
**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 1, 2021**



*The Spirit of God makes us one in Christ.*

*\*stand in body or spirit*

## **Preparing for the Word**

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**BRINGING IN THE CHRIST LIGHT**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

You call your people to prayer and praise in many ways.  
This day, bring us together just as you called the people of  
Israel to gather manna in the desert to eat and sustain life.

**God of unity, give us this day our daily bread.**

Offer us the nutrients we need to remain connected to you.  
As spiritual beings, we desire to receive food that endures—  
faith, hope, and love.

**God of grace, give us this day our daily bread.**

All life is created and nourished by you! May we grow into new  
circles of understanding and being, reflecting the ways in  
which we have been touched by your holy manna.

**Holy Spirit, come! Give us this day our daily bread.**

**\* OPENING HYMN** *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* TOS#90  
(verses 1-4)

**A CONFESSION OF OUR SHARED FAITH** (*unison*)

**I believe in God as my creator and as the creator of the world, which God sets before me as a gift for my joy and use, for me to tend in gratitude and affection.**

**I believe in Jesus.**

**By his life and ministry he taught me how to love God and all that God created, especially other people. I take the teaching and example of Jesus as a model for my life.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, God's abiding presence in this world, to encourage and direct me to live a holy life. I invite the Holy Spirit to fill me and guide me.**

**I believe in the Church, the continuing presence of God revealed in Jesus, the custodian of the experiences of God in the Sacred Scriptures and in the lives of holy men and women.**

**I believe that all God's children, those who lived long ago, those who today are living and all those who will ever live are brothers and sisters, and that the bond of God's love connects us across space and time.**

*A New Creed, by Don Caron*

**\*THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Listening for the Word

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **SCRIPTURE**

First Reading Psalm 78:23-29 p. 468-469

Second Reading Gospel of John 6:22-35 p. 867-868

*Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.***

**SERMON** *Soul-full Bread*

\* **HYMN** *Here I Am, Lord (I the Lord of sea and sky)* Insert

## Responding to the Word

### **SILENT PRAYER**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **OFFERING**

#### **\*DOXOLOGY**

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

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*unison*)

**O God, we share these gifts in the spirit of those who shared their loaves and fishes: we ask that you take these gifts and use them to feed all of creation—to produce seed and grain, filling humans and animals alike, and to restore wholeness in the places where malnourishment exists. Amen.**

## **The Lord's Supper**

### **Invitation to the Table** (*responsive*)

In one hand, we embrace a piece of one common loaf. Sharing one cup, we drink of the Christ's new covenant of unity. With one voice, we lift up our prayers to you, the one great God, who embraces our differences yet rejoices in our unity in this one communion act.     **Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving** (*responsive*)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks and praise to God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**



### **Lord's Prayer** (*unison*)

**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 forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **Words of Institution**

### **Communion of the People**

### **Sharing the Elements**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** (*unison*)

**We thank you, Holy One, for welcoming us to this table. Here we know the presence of Christ and receive all the gifts that you have for us. Strengthen our faith and increase our love for one another, that we might better show forth your love as we seek daily to walk the way of Jesus. Thanks be to you, O God. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Just As I Am* (verses 1, 3, 5) TOS #119

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

### **Today, August 1:**

Worship w/Communion 9:30a  
Pastor: Grace Anderson  
Greeter: John/Julie Woodman  
Reader: Julie Woodman

### **Monday, August 2:**

Pr. Grace - 10:00a - 3:00p  
Kileen - 10:00a - 3:00p

### **Tuesday, August 3:**

Pr. Grace - 10:00a - 3:00p  
Bible Study 10:00 am  
National Night Out - 5:30p

### **Wednesday, August 4**

Pr. Grace - 12:00p - 3:00p

### **Thursday, August 5:**

Kileen - 10:00a - 3:00p

### **Sunday, August 8:**

Worship 9:30a  
Pastor: Grace Anderson  
Greeter: Jim/Bonnie  
Hvistendahl  
Reader: Bonnie Hvistendahl

### ***Pastoral Care***

Contact Pastor Grace in the event of a pastoral emergency. Contact her at pastor.cannonfallsucc@gmail.com or 651-367-9328.

### ***Bible Study***

Bible Study is on Tuesdays at 10:00 am in person! This week we will be discussing John 6:35, 41-51.

### ***Prayer Partners***

We pick members and staff to lift in prayer each week, for no reason than praying for one another is a good thing to do.

This week we pray for: Mary Pat and Emery Kleven, Clarence Wolkenhaer, Bonnie Kronenberger.

### ***Prayer Chain***

**Morning**, Bonnie Hvistendahl  
263-4120

**Evening**, Mavis Johnson  
263-2857

When you are in need of prayer for yourself or others, please call. Your request will be passed along through the prayer chain.

### ***Outreach***

We are looking for people who are willing to learn how to record the services. Contact Cindy Mae for more information.

**National Night Out** is Tuesday August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Outreach is planning a get-together from 5:30 - 7:00 pm on the church lawn. Refreshments will be served and lawn games available. Help would be greatly appreciated - contact Cindy Mae or the office.

### ***Adult Education***

In August, planning begins for our Sunday Adult Education time. Contact Pr. Grace with any suggestions for content or willingness to lead a session. Our first session will be Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> after Worship. More details to follow.

### ***Calling All Book Lovers!***

So many members love books! Each month, our newsletter will include recommendations of book that speak to our faith and our spirits.

If you have an idea, please contact Ki in the church office, or Pastor Grace.

### ***2021 Ministry Leads***

*Ideas? Questions? Want to Help?  
These are the people to talk to!*

Moderator: **Bill Peterson**

Treasurer: **Jon Sagers**

Historian: **Glenda Cooper**

Head Ushers: **Byron**

**Nowariak &  
Jim Hvistendahl**

Trustees chair: **Roman  
Mercier**

Pastoral Relations co-chairs:  
**Linda Hindal & Patrick  
Hemmah**

CCIC representative: **Ray  
Meglic**

Outreach Ministry Lead:  
**Cindy Mae Nelson**

Church Community Ministry:  
**Linda Hindal**

Worship Ministry: **Jacqui  
Broin**

Mission Ministry: **Sandra  
Meglic & Cindy Mae Nelson**

Christian Education Ministry:  
**Pr. Grace Anderson**

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