

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - Holy Communion

August 1, 2021

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please take note: There will be no congregational singing during the service. All music will be provided by the Music Director and soloists.

INTROIT “O God of Love and Justice” *Andrew Foster*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are gathered in the presence of God, who asks us to choose between life and death, between blessing and curse.

All: We are gathered like the people of Israel, who were challenged to choose the way of life.

One: Like them, we often follow the ways of death.

All: Yet, like them, we have the freedom each day to begin anew by the grace of God.

One: By our presence here, we are saying that we choose life.

All: Let us praise the God of love and life who has called us to this place. Amen.

*HYMN “I Will Never Leave You Orphaned”
Dale Magnuson, Andrew Foster

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses. Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The love of God for us is shown in this: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

All: Our sins are forgiven. Let us live in the hope, joy, and peace of Christ's presence. Amen.

**If you are able to do so comfortably, please stand*

*GLORIA PATRI

Sung by soloist

SCRIPTURE READING John 13:1-17

Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” Jesus answered, “You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” Jesus said to him, “One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.” For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”

After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

SERMON “If There's a ‘Christmas in July’,
then why not a ‘Maundy Thursday’ in August?”

*HYMN “You Knelt Down to Serve Us” *Sangho Nam*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastoral Prayer (including prayer concerns)

Time of Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
forever. Amen.*

Prayer Response "There's a Quiet Understanding" Dale Magnuson

DELIGHTING IN GIVING

(The offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary.)

Invitation to Present Our Offerings

*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

**God, we present these offerings that they may be used to extend
your liberating reign. With them, we offer our varied ministries in
the days ahead that each of us may be part of your answer to the
cries of the world. Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

UCC Statement of Faith

Communion Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and Cup (non-alcoholic)

Hymn "As I Have Done for You" Kim Kuda

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, by coming to your table, we receive more gifts than we
deserve. We give thanks for Jesus Christ, through whom we receive
life and in whom we are bound in covenant. Renew us so that we may
willingly serve as Christ served. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "God, Creation Sings Your Praises"
Sangho Nam, Andrew Foster, Dale Magnuson

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

GUEST PASTOR - Rev. Jonathan Ryder

MUSIC DIRECTOR - Kim Kuda

DEACON & LAY READER - Lori Russell

SOLOISTS - Sangho Nam, Andrew Foster, Dale Magnuson, Kim Kuda



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News & Notes

1. Hope Church is open and ready to welcome any members of the community who are in search of a warm and friendly place to worship. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us in worship. Our current supply pastor is Rev. Jonathan Ryder of Riverside.

Those who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear masks during Sunday worship. All others are still required to wear masks except for children under the age of two. Everyone will be expected to sign in on our contact list.

If you are unable to attend the regular worship service of Hope Church in person on any given Sunday, the following is the information needed to livestream the service on YouTube or any time after and to get the Sunday bulletin to follow along with the service. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Andrew Foster of the Digital Ministry Task Force at afoster@brown.edu or (401) 743-8584. A link to this week's livestream service and bulletin as well as those from past weeks is available at: hopecongri.org/?page_id=90

2. There will be **NO IN-PERSON WORSHIP next Sunday, August 8** but an online service will be available.