

Peace United Church of Christ Worship Resources for the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Summer Communion

August 4, 2024

Please prepare your elements for Communion before viewing the service.

Welcome

Opening Hymn "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Break Thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea; Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee, Lord; My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word!

Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, As Thou didst bless the bread by Galilee; Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

Prayer of Invocation

God, we approach you this day hungry for your presence. We come with empty spaces needing your grace, with broken lives needing your healing. Stretch out your hand; feed us and free us to serve Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen

Scripture Readings 2 Samuel 11: 26-12:13a

John 6: 24-35

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Gather at the Welcome Table: Holy Communion

Invitation Communion Prayer Breaking the Bread/Blessing the Cup Sharing the Meal Prayer of Thanksgiving

> Wondrous God, tender in your love for us, we thank you for the experience of the holy that we have received in Christ's body and blood. Continue to nourish us by your Spirit, that we may be love in the world. Amen

Closing Song "Nearer My God to Thee"

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me, Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest, There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest; Age after age to be, nearer my God to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

Benediction & Sending Forth