

Peace United Church of Christ Worship Resources for the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost August 3, 2025 Summer Communion

Today is Summer Communion; please have your elements ready 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

O God, we come to this time of worship,
having seen and heard and experienced your wonderful works.
At the heart of it all is your commitment to our well-being.
When we are hungry, you fill us. When we are thirsty, you satisfy us.
When we are overcome with burdens, you lighten the load.
Thank you for your steadfast love, the compassion of your Son,
and the guidance of the Spirit, which never leaves us.
Your blessings abound! Amen

Meditation

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

Gather at the Welcome Table: The Sacrament of Holy Communion
Invitation to the Table
Communion Prayer
Breaking the Bread/Blessing the Cup
Sharing the Meal
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, God, for the opportunity to experience the wonder in this holy meal.

Gathered, blessed, and filled, we will walk into the world prepared to share relief and fullness with others.

In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen

Closing Song "Lord, Dismiss Us, With Thy Blessing"

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace; Let us each Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration For Thy Gospel's joyful sound; May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, ever faithful, To the truth may we be found.

Benediction & Sending Forth