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The **flowers** this morning are donated by the Dunn Family in memory of our loved ones.

PRELUDE

Jesus Loves Me; Warner

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God is here, waiting for us to be here also.

People: We are hungry to know the power of God's Spirit. Let's open our minds to the many ways God connects with us.

Leader: As people who follow Jesus in wild and ordinary ways, we are prepared to feel the peace and the energy that lives in

our gathering.

People: Nourishment from God can seem minuscule, and yet it

expands like yeast in a loaf of bread.

Leader: Take this time to be together, to see the Holy Spirit in one

another. Notice God in the light coming through the windows and in the shadows that live within our souls.

People: May we learn from the light and the shadows, that God loves us exactly as we are today.

*HYMN Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

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OPENING PRAYER

God of Wisdom and Understanding, beyond our comprehension, fill us with your Holy Spirit as one body in Christ. We admit that can barely imagine the fullness of your love for all humanity. We want to join the crowds of people who yearn to be close to your son Jesus. Circle us with your grace and feed us with your Word. With gratitude and faith, we pray to You this day. AMEN

SCRIPTURE John 6:1-14 Christina Alvarez After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he

himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

SERMON

Thousands Were Satisfied

Rev. Laura

PRAYERS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done:

Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.

*HYMN O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE He Has Made Me Glad; Brethorst

Deacon of the Week: Andrew Daigle

Reader: Christina Alvarez
Technology Driver: Matt Burch



Cliff and Martha Church Anne Lachance Bob Nenni Anna O'Donnell Rachel Stacy

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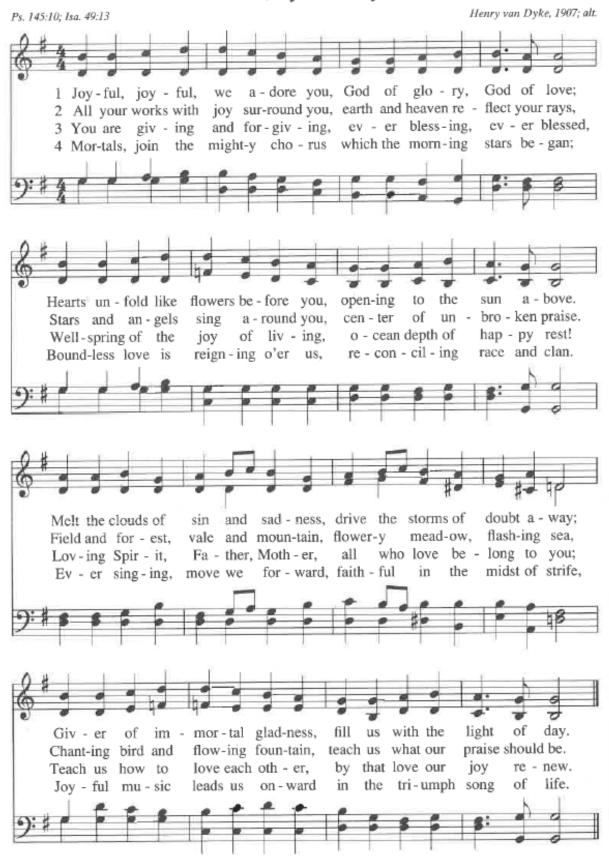
Summer Worship Leader Schedule

July 28: Rev. Laura August 4: Rev. Laura

August 11: Rev. Laura (prerecorded service due to no

available guest preacher)

August 18: Janice Morin August 25: Rev. Laura



Sing a Song of Bethlehem

Louis F. Benson, 1899; alt. Luke 2:8-20, 25-32; Mast. 14:22-33; Mark 4:39; 6:47-52; John 6:16-21; Acts 5:30-31; 10:39-43 $1 \, \mathrm{O}$ Beth-le-hem, of shep-herds watch - ing there, sing a song of 20 sing a Naz-a-reth, of days of song of joy and sun. 3 O sing a song of Gal - i - lee, of lake and woods and bill, sing a song of Cal-va-ry, its glo - ry and dis - may. and. from air: of the news that came to them an-gels in 0 sing of fra - grant flo-wers' breath, and of the sin - less One: One who walked up - on the waves be of. sea. and bade its still: of One who hung up - on the and took our sins tree. a way: The all the world to light that shone on Beth - le-hem fills day: For now the flowers of Naz - a-reth ev-ery heart may in grow; though, like waves on Gal - i - lee, rough seas of trou - ble For roll, Christ who died Cal - va - ry ris-en from the grave; birth and peace on earth the of Je - sus' an - gels sing al way. now spreads the fame of Je - sus' name on all the winds that blow. when faith has heard the Sav-ior's word, falls peace up - on the soul. God's sov - ereign Child, who rec - on - ciled, is might-y now save. to