

Sunday, October 20, 2024

Food Grains Sunday

Guest Preacher: Fran Hill

Music Director: Victoria Warwick

Reader: Judy McConnell

Tech Team: Glenn Erwin, Gabriela and Rick Dell, Bruce Wilcox

WELCOME AND CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE LAND

HYMN MEDLEY: MV#122 "This is the Day" (sung twice)

1. This is the day that God has made; we will rejoice and be glad!
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VU#520 "We Plough the Fields"

1. We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered by your almighty hand;
you send the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain.
2. You only are the maker of all things near and far,
you paint the wayside flower, you light the evening star,
the winds and waves obey you, by you the birds are fed;
much more to us, your children, you give us daily bread.
3. We thank you, then, O Maker, for all things bright and good,
the seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food,
accept the gifts we offer for all your love imparts,
and, what from us you long for, our humble, thankful hearts.

OPENING PRAYER: read by Judy McConnell

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE: As we light this Christ candle may it remind us that God is in us and in our world.

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#21 "Open Our Hearts"

Open our hearts. Open our minds. Open our lives to you O loving God. Open our hearts.

THEME CONVERSATION:

SCRIPTURE:

VIDEO: "Room at the Table" - A FoodGrains Bank Production

SERMON:

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "All Good Gifts Around Us" sung by St Paul's choir

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#182 "Grateful"

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER read by Judy McConnell

CLOSING HYMN: VU#519 "Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

1. Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise,
with joyful hearts and voices your hallelujahs raise;
by whom the rolling seasons in fruitful order move;
sing to the Lord of harvest a joyful song of love.
2. God makes the clouds drop fatness, the deserts bloom and spring;
the hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them all with fullness, all things with large increase,
and crowns the year with goodness, with plenty and with peace.
3. Bring to this sacred altar all things God's goodness gave,
the golden sheaves of harvest, the soul Christ died to save:
your hearts lay down before him when at his feet you fall,
and with your lives adore him who gave his life for all.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION: "Go In Love"

Go in love; have no fear. God will guide you, God is always near. Go in love; take God's hand.
God will hear you, God will understand. May God's light forever shine upon you; may God's peace be
always in your heart. Go in love; face each day. God will lead you, God will show the way.
Go in love and live in faith. Amen.