

**Glen Echo Christian Church  
(Disciples of Christ)  
September 27, 2020**

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Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Wave to Your Neighbors & Flash Your Headlights in Greeting  
Introit

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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, let us bow before the Holy One.  
**All: Come, let us confess God's might.**  
One: Come, let us feel God's mercy.  
**All: Come, let us live in God's light.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“Gather Us In”**

**Here in this place, the new light is streaming, shadows of doubt are vanished  
away.  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of  
this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in; our spirits inflame.  
Call to us now, and we shall awaken; we shall arise at the sound of our name.  
  
Here we receive new life in the waters; here we receive the bread of new birth;  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the  
earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you;  
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are  
true.**

**INVOCATION**

**GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust;  
Do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.  
Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;  
Let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.  
Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.  
Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;  
For you I wait all day long.  
Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.  
Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
According to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!  
Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.  
He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

## PRAYER HYMN

### **“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what thou dost love and do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,  
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.**

### **Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)**

## SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

## SERMON

“Complete Joy”

Rev. Dawn Ingram

## **HYMN OF PREPARATION    “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.**

Invitation to Commune

### **Communion Sentences**

One: Christ humbled himself and took on human form so that we could have eternal life.

**All: As we receive the bread of life and cup of salvation, we give thanks for  
Christ’s sacrifice that reconciles us with God and one another.**

### **Prayer of Consecration**

(Please eat and drink the communion food that you brought from home.)

## **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

### **“Pass It On”**

**It only takes a spark to get a fire going,  
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;  
That’s how it is with God’s love, once you’ve experienced it:  
You spread God’s love to everyone, you want to pass it on.**

## **BENEDICTION**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Honk if you love Jesus!**

## **POSTLUDE**

(Please look for the large plastic tubs in which to place your offering.)

(Portions of today’s worship service were adapted from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*; Kimberly Bracken Long, Editor; and *Ministry Matters* (<https://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/1670/worship-elements-september-27-2020>))

# NEWS IN THE PEWS

\*Next Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, is World Communion Sunday. Fabric from around the world will be hung from the windows, and we will sing some of the international songs found in *The Chalice Hymnal*. You are welcome to bring different kinds of bread, such as pitas or tortillas, to use during communion.

\*Committee Chairs, please email your 2021 Budget requests to Terri Lockard by next Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

\*For the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Des Moines Area Hunger Hike, you are invited to walk, bike, or hike sometime during the week of October 4<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. If you take a picture of yourself or your surroundings and send it to the church, we will share the pictures in our online and print publications. If you would like to contribute to the Hunger Hike through Glen Echo, please make out your check to the church, and write "Hunger Hike" on the memo line.

\*The August 2020 Financial Report is below. If you are unable to attend services, please remember to send your pledges and gifts to the church.

7/31/20 Balance	\$ (604.08)
August Receipts	6,902.00
August Expenses	8,792.66
August Transfers	2,494.74
8/31/20 Balance	\$ 0.00

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