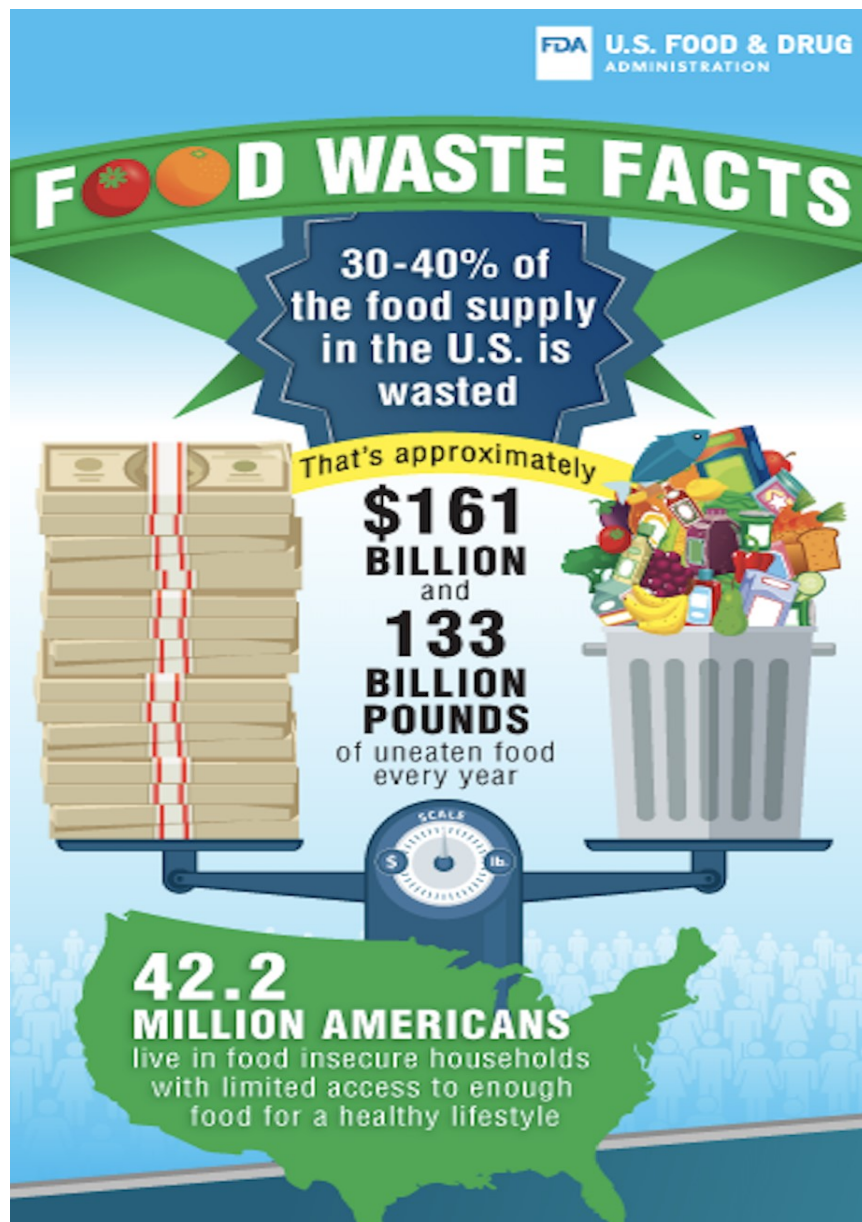




## Worship of God in Christ July 16, 2023



# 7th Sunday After Pentecost

Marking of the Hour

*We mark the hour, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, and centering us in the embrace of the Holy Spirit.*

Opening Words

Dr. Matthew Tennant

Prelude *To Worship Rightly is To Love Each Other, Each Deed a Prayer*

arr. Colvin

Lighting the Candles

*We light these candles to welcome the Spirit, for they represent how Jesus is the Light of the world which guides us through life.*

Opening the Bible

*We open the Bible to remind us that God speaks to us through the Holy Word.*

Call to Worship

*Table of Plenty*  
*(see the words below)*

Schutte

\*Hymn of Praise *As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought*

FOREST GREEN

\*Invocation

Rev. Susan Deal

Greeting

Rev. Deal

*Please take a moment to sign and pass the red booklets found in each row  
So that we have a record of your presence with us today.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:1-13 (p.851)

Debby Johnson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

\*Hymn

*God of the Fertile Fields*

ITALIAN HYMN

*During the last stanza of this hymn, children are invited  
to come forward for the Children's Sermon.*

Children's Sermon

Jen May

*Children in grades K-2 are invited to exit and continue worshipping  
in Children's Church upstairs in Room 210.*

Mission Moment

Raynell Stokes

Morning Prayer and Blessing

Rev. Val Fisk

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\*Doxology

*Table Blessing*

Be present at our table, Lord,  
Be here and everywhere adored.  
Thy children bless, and grant that we  
May live in fellowship with Thee. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Proverbs 21:20-25 (p.526-27)

Larry Johnson

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

*Christ, We See You*  
*(see the words below)*

Medema

Sermon

*Wasting Precious Treasures*

Dr. Tennant

Meditation

Barbara Moore

Invitation

Dr. Tennant

*If you are interested in joining University Baptist Church or speaking with a minister, please come forward as we sing our final hymn.*

\*Hymn of Response

*Let Your Heart Be Broken*

WYE VALLEY

\*Benediction

Dr. Tennant

\*Postlude

*Alle Breve*

Fischer

*\* Please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.*

Instrumentalist

Barbara Moore: Organ/Piano

# TABLE OF PLENTY

Dan Schutte

## Refrain

Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-  
 - ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we  
 need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

## Verses

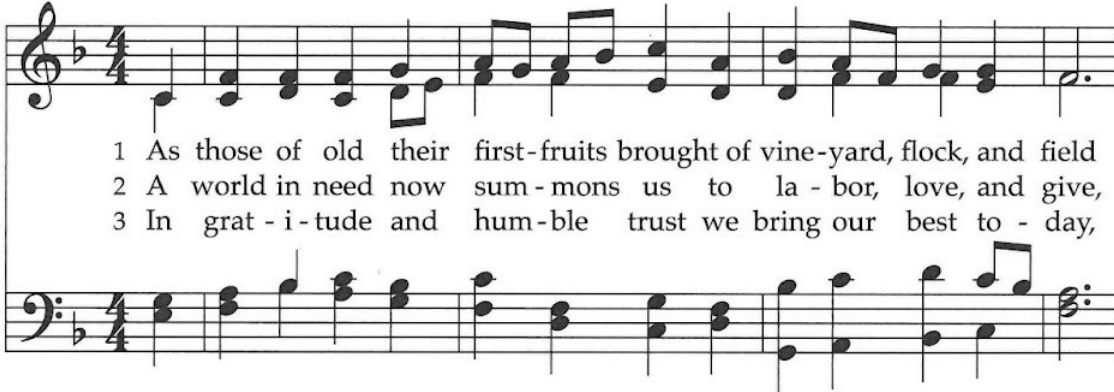
1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and  
 2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; & come to  
 3. My bread will ev - er sus-tain you through days of  
 4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will

1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and  
 2. drink with-out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your  
 3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of  
 4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

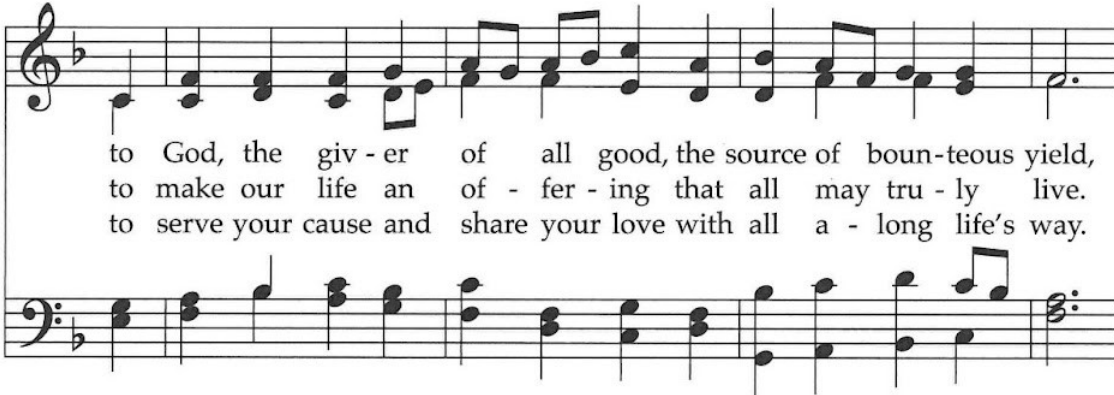
## to Refrain

1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.  
 2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.  
 3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.  
 4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

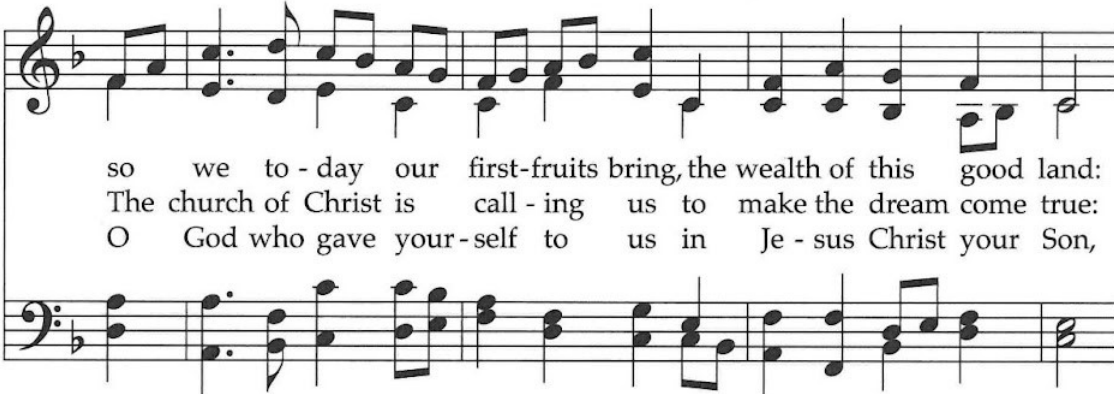
# As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought



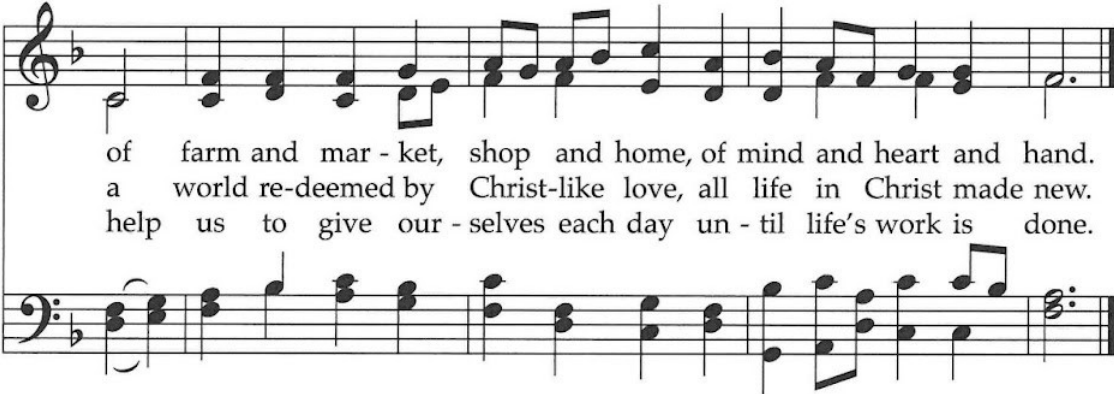
1 As those of old their first-fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and field  
2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bor, love, and give,  
3 In grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to-day,



to God, the giv-er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
to make our life an of-fer-ing that all may tru-ly live.  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a-long life's way.



so we to-day our first-fruits bring, the wealth of this good land:  
The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true:  
O God who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
a world re-deemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.  
help us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

This text by a Presbyterian pastor in California expresses the conviction that being a good steward is an essential part of the Christian life, for self-giving is God's own nature. The tune is named for the village in Surrey where the arranger collected this tune in 1903.

# God of the Fertile Fields

1 God of the fer - tile fields, shap - er of  
2 We would be stew - ards true, hold - ing in  
3 As grows the hid - den seed to fruit that  
4 God of the coun - try - side, dear to the

earth that yields our dai - ly bread: forth from your  
trust from you all that you give; help us in  
serves our need, so your reign grows. Let all our  
Christ who died to make us one: we pledge our

boun - teous hand come gifts your love has planned,  
love to share, teach us like you to care  
toil be used, no gift of yours a - bused,  
lives a - new in faith - ful love to you.

that all in ev - ery land be clothed and fed.  
for peo - ple ev - ery - where, that all may live.  
no hum - ble task re - fused your love be - stows.  
Guide all we say and do. Your will be done.

Greater awareness has enlarged Christian stewardship to develop new dimensions of concern for people in all parts of the world. Because we believe that it is God's will that the gifts we have received should be shared, this hymn concludes with that phrase from the Lord's Prayer.

## Christ, We See You

Ken Medema

Christ, we see you standing, knocking like a stranger at the door.  
Christ, we hear you calling to us, as you've called your saints before.  
We invite you here among us, hearts are open now to you.  
Come be with us; change, remake us; do what God alone can do.

God of all the human fam'ly, join us as we gather here.  
Open now the doors of friendship, closed too long by hate and fear.  
'Round these tables of abundance, bring the hungry, one and all.  
Let compassion thrive among us as we hear communion's call.

Spirit, open our eyes to see visions of who we were meant to be.  
Spirit, break us and shape us and fill us with the breath of life.  
Fill us with the breath of life.

God of light, confront our blindness, open vision's doors, we pray.  
From this world of pain and sadness, let us never turn away.  
With the light of understanding, guide our steps in ways of peace.  
Till the day of new creation when all want and war shall cease.

Spirit, open our eyes to see visions of who we were meant to be.  
Spirit, break us and shape us and fill us with the breath of life.  
Fill us with the breath of life.  
Breath of Life. Breath of Life.

# Let Your Heart Be Broken

*Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead — James 2:17 NIV*

1. Let your heart be bro - ken For a world in need — Feed the mouths that  
2. Here on earth ap - ply - ing Prin - ci - ples of love — Vis - i - ble ex -  
3. Add to your be - liev - ing Deeds that prove it true — Know - ing Christ as  
4. Let your heart be ten - der And your vi - sion clear — See man - kind as

hun - ger, Soothe the wounds that bleed, Give the cup of wa - ter And the loaf of  
pres - sion God still rules a - bove, Liv - ing il - lus - tra - tion Of the Liv - ing  
Sav - ior, Make Him Mas - ter, too: Fol - low in His foot - steps, Go where He has  
God sees, Serve Him far and near; Let your heart be bro - ken By an - oth - er's

bread — Be the hands of Je - sus, Serv - ing in His stead.  
Word To the minds of all who've Nev - er seen and heard.  
trod, In the world's great trou - ble Risk your - self for God.  
pain, Share your rich re - sourc - es — Give and give a - gain.

WORDS: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1931-  
MUSIC: James Mountain, 1844-1933

WYE VALLEY (abridged)  
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Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are blessed by your presence with us, and we trust that this hour will help to deepen your spiritual life. We look forward to meeting you personally at the close of the service.

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