

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2009

10:50 AM

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available in the Educational Wing.

WELCOME/PASSING OF THE PEACE/MEDITATION

All are asked to complete the attendance register in the pew and pass it along to each person. Please indicate any prayer concerns also to be given to the ushers during the offering.

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

God, by whom all things exist, brings many to glory.

Blessed is everyone who fears God and walks in God's ways.

God spoke in many ways to our ancestors, by prophets, apostles, and martyrs.

God has spoken most clearly in Jesus Christ, the pioneer of our salvation.

Jesus welcomed persons of all ages and gave special recognition to children.

We come expectantly to learn of God's realm and to know the love of God poured out in Christ.

***Hymn** *Surely the Presence of the Lord* **UMH Page 328**

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise** *I Come With Joy* **UMH Page 617**

PROCLAMATION

New Testament Reading *Revelation 21:1-7* **N.T. Page 259**

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God **People: Thanks be to God.**

Prayers of the People

***Hymn** *Spirit of the Living God* **UMH Page 393**

***Gospel Lesson** *John 14:1-4, 18-19, 25-27* **N. T. Page 108**

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Special Music *Jesus Is Coming Again*

Jesus is coming again; He was nailed to the cross; He was laid in his grave; Second to the third day he rose from the dead; He is going to come again; If we believe in Him; He will take us to heaven.

Message *The Power of Blessing* **Rev. Charles Swadley**

RESPONSE

Invitation **Page 12**

Confession and Pardon

Offertory Prayer **Unison**

Let us pray: **In grateful appreciation of the gift of life and all that adds to our enjoyment of that gift, we dedicate these offerings to proclaim your good news. As sisters and brothers of Jesus Christ, we recognize the whole human family as bone of our bones and flesh of our flesh. We want for them all that we appreciate in our own lives. May these offerings help to unite us in your service. Amen.**

Offertory Anthem *In Remembrance* **Red**

***Doxology**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. Repeat

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Repeat

Presentation of the Communion Elements **Communion Stewards**

Special Music *Thank You, God, For Taking Death Away From Man*

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving **Page 18**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymns During the Serving *Just A Closer Walk With Thee* **TFWS Page 2158**

Lead Me, Lord **UMH Page 473**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand **UMH Page 474**

Because He Lives **UMH Page 364**

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* **UMH Page 557**

***Commission and Blessing**

Depart from old dependencies and securities to take the risks of commitment and faithfulness.

God calls us to lives of response and responsibility, yet with the openness and spontaneity of a child.

Let God melt the hardness of your hearts and penetrate the rigid prejudices of your lives.

We will listen for the promptings of God in our meditation and our decision-making.

God in Christ welcomes you to life with eternity in it.

We feel the touch of God's Spirit and feel welcomed to the realm of God.

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

***Postlude**

***Please stand as you are able. Hearing devices are available (special loops for hearing aids). Large print bulletins are now available. Please see an usher for assistance.**

Welcome! We are so pleased that you have chosen to worship with us on this day. Your presence is an encouragement and inspiration to us. Let us celebrate our faith and offer our thanks and praise to God for the blessings. If you desire to join our church, please speak to Rev. Charles Swadley or Rev. Bruce Lake. Membership occurs with Profession of Faith or a Letter of Transfer from another United Methodist Church or other Christian Church.

The **Flowers** on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my parents by Glenda Adams. The **Flowers** in the chancel area are given to the glory of God and in memory of my mother, Sia Fiamma and aunt, Mammy Yomba, who raised me by Komba Momarkoe. The **Acolytes** are The Crucifer is The **Lay Reader** is Komba Momarkoe. The **Lay Speaker** is Polly Rowan. The **Greeter** is Carroll Cloninger. The **Outside Greeters** are **First Response Team:** Dale and Stony Creery.

Today is World Communion Sunday in United Methodist Churches all over the world. There are mission programs in over 150 countries. This morning, during the service of worship, we will remember and celebrate the passing of Komba's mother, Sia Fiamma. The service will reflect Komba's tradition in Sierra Leone's United Methodist Church.

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We envision churches where all God's people are welcomed at table, nurtured and transformed to be Christ to others in the world

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