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~ Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ~

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

THE BELL – SILENCE

RECALLING WHY WE ARE HERE

One: Bless the name of the Holy One forever and ever!
Many: Great is our God and greatly to be praised.
One: Let this generation tell the next so we may all know of
God's magnificent and mighty acts.
**Many: Bless the name of the One who feeds us and guides
us through the wilderness of our lives**
One: Let us declare the abundant goodness and holy love of our Creator.
Many: Let us worship God!

*SONG "All Who Hunger, Gladly Gather"

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PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

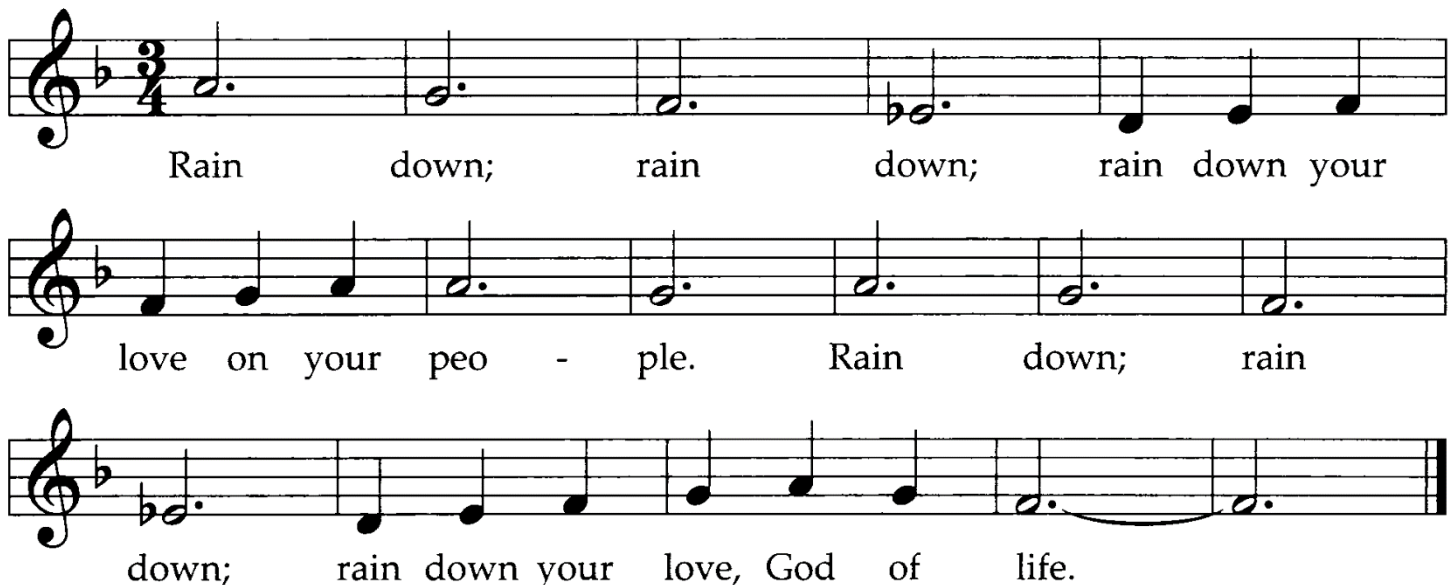
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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we
forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the
kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

RESPONSE

"Rain Down"



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ANTHEM

"God Never Failed Me Yet"

- Robert Roy

**indicates all who are able, please stand*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*RESPONSE

"How Great Is Our God"

*The splendor of a King,
Clothed in majesty
Let all the Earth rejoice
All the Earth rejoice*

*The God that brings all light
And shadows try to hide
And tremble at the voice
Tremble at the voice*

*How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God
Age to age you stand*

*And time is in your hands
Beginning and the end
Beginning and the end*

*The Godhead, Trinity
And through eternity
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb*

*How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to thee:
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

*Name above all names (how great is our God, sing with me)
Worthy of our praise (how great is our God, and all will see)
My heart will sing*

*How great is our God
How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God*

*THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

The Message

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THE READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE Exodus 16:2-9

The Message

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SERMON

“Just Enough”

SONG

“Manna From Heaven”

*In the wilderness, Lord, we are hungry
Lord, we are hungry for You*

*In the desert land, Lord, we are thirsty,
Lord, we are thirsty.
We are looking to the sky, knowing that You will provide*

*So rain down Your Spirit, showers of grace.
Pour out Your blessing upon this place
Like manna from heaven.*

*In our wandering, Lord, we are searching,
Lord, we are searching for You.*

*In our journey, Lord, we are asking,
Lord, we are asking.
We will see Your will unfold as You make Your presence known.*

*So rain down Your Spirit, showers of grace.
Pour out Your blessing upon this place
Like manna from heaven.*

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COMMUNITY BUILDING – Announcements

FAITH IN ACTION

Interfaith Coalition for Earth Justice

OUR OFFERING OF GRATITUDE

OFFERTORY

SONG

“Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”

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*BENEDICTION

*AFFIRMATION

"O May the Peace of God"



5 O may the peace of God be

9 with you ev - er more, and may the pow'r of God's great love your

13 soul a - gain - re - store. And may you al - ways know God's

16 ne - ver - end - ing - care, and feel God's gra - cious

Spi - rit u - pon you ev - 'ry - where

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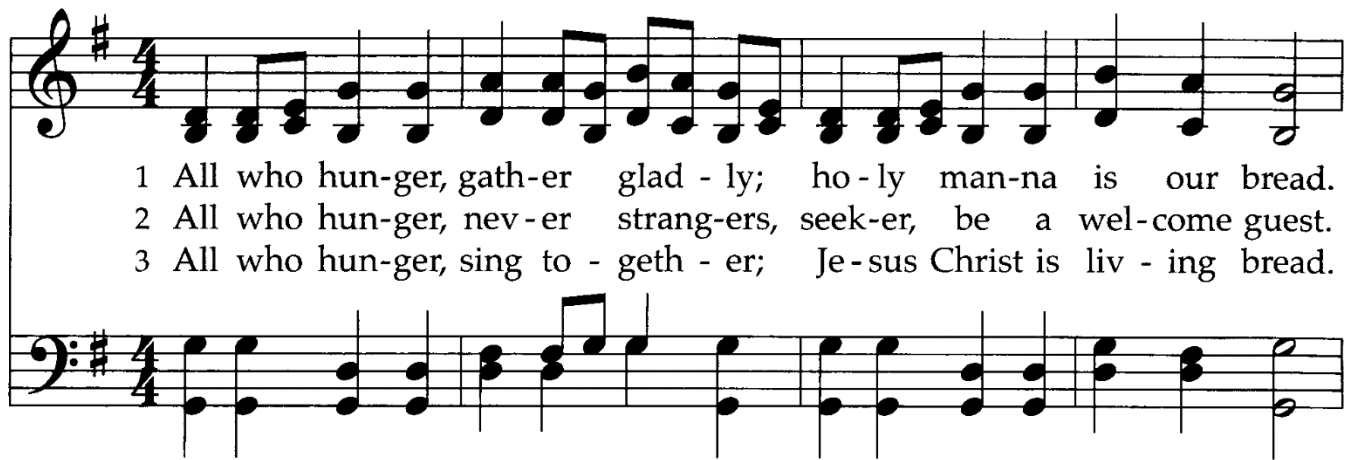
POSTLUDE

Welcome to all worshiping with us today. If you are new to Mission Hills UCC, we invite you to fill out the blue card in the pew so we can get to know you and share more about our ministries and community life. We are a church that welcomes families with children in every aspect of our common life. During worship, child care services are available in the church nursery for those under three years of age. Baby changing tables are available in the unisex bathrooms.

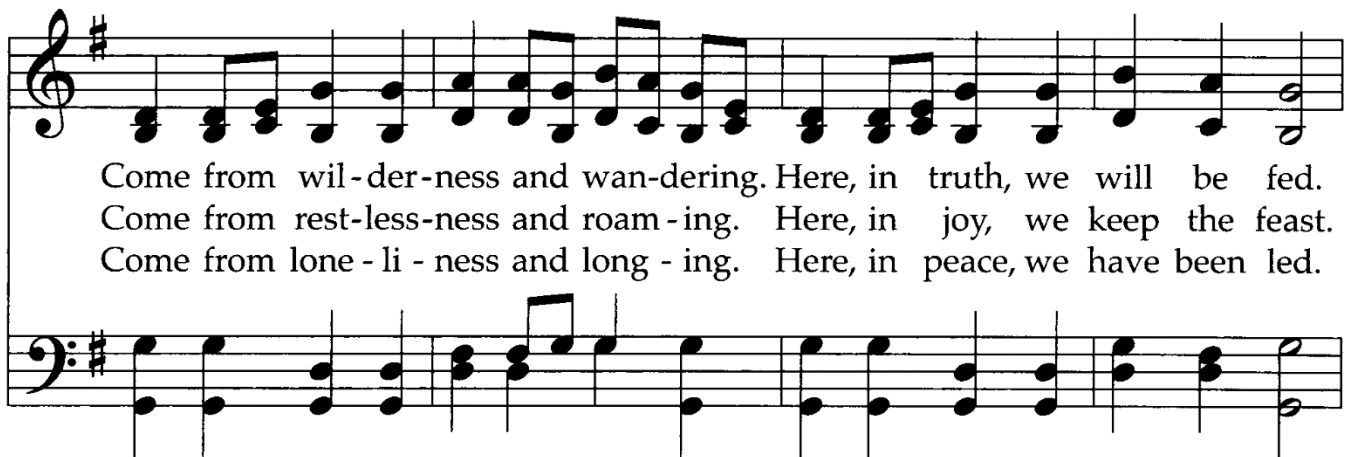
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Rev. Janalee Borja
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Kristopher Abels
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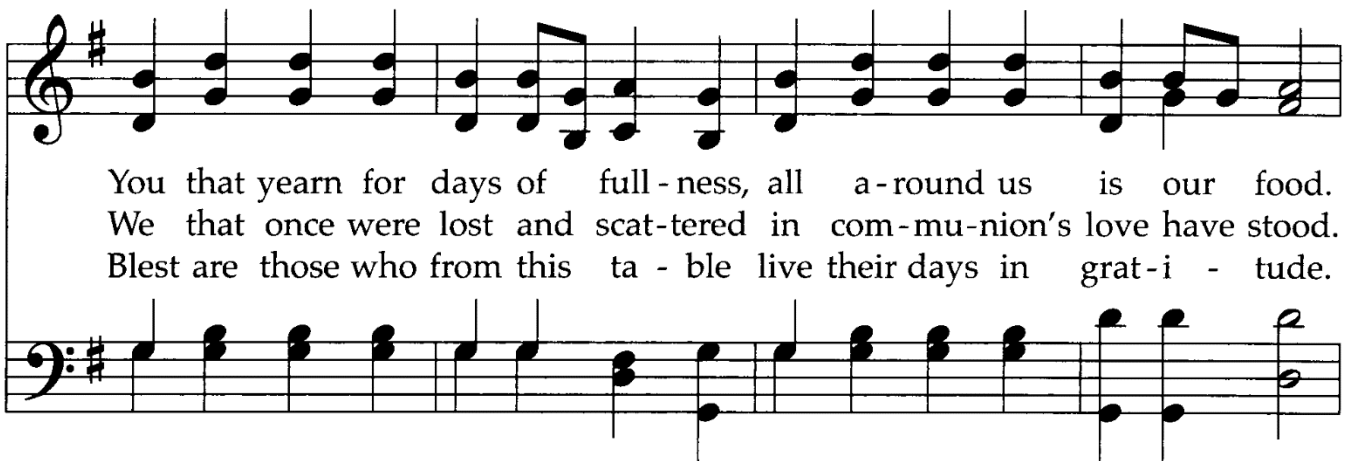
"All Who Hunger, Gladly Gather"



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man-na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-dering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.

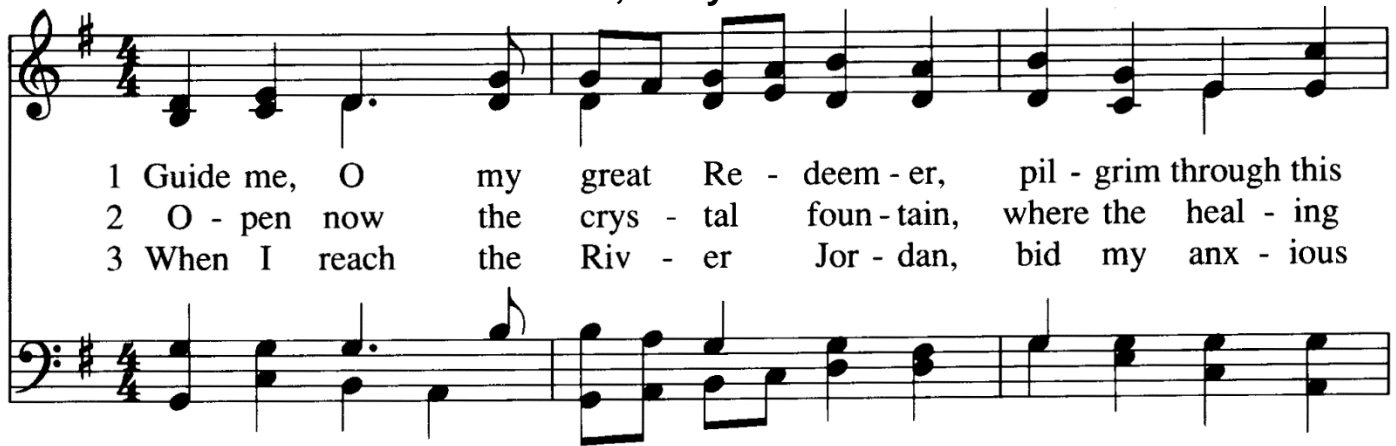


You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.

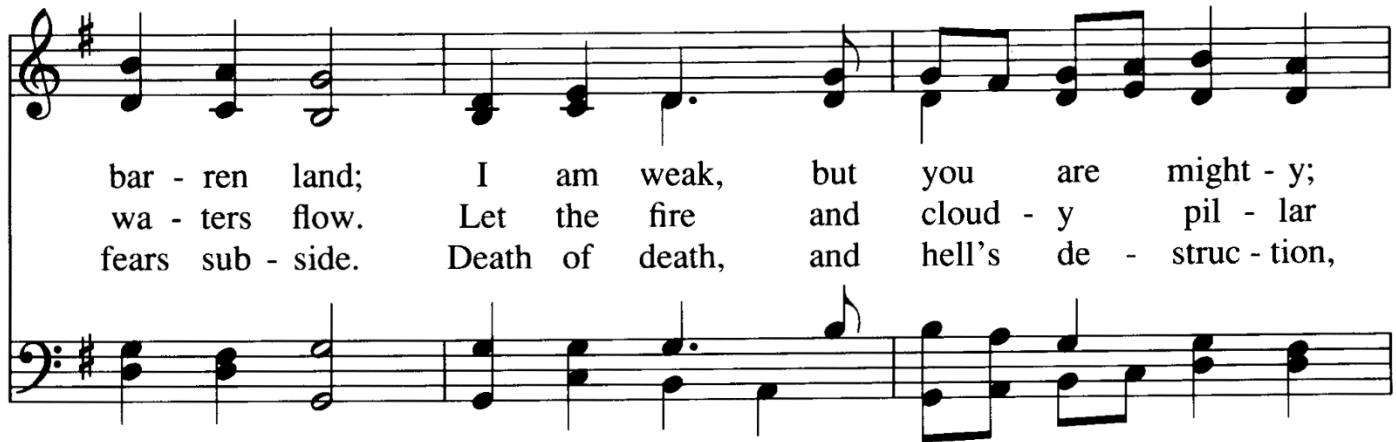


Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

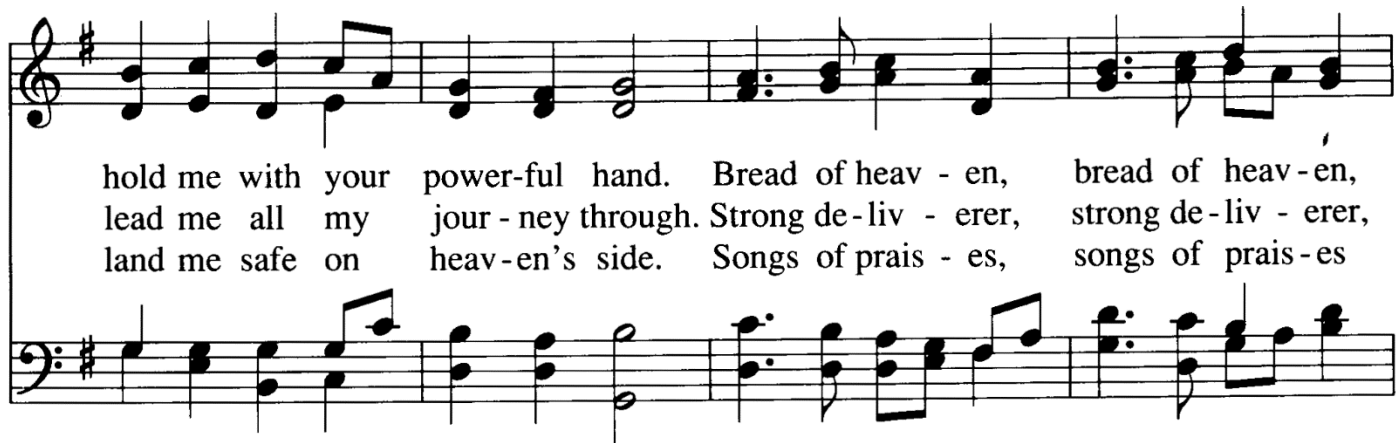
"Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer"



1 Guide me, O my great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, where the heal - ing
 3 When I reach the Riv - er Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but you are might - y;
 wa - ters flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,



hold me with your power-ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on heav-en's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.
 ev - er be my strength and shield, ev - er be my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er sing to you, I will ev - er sing to you.