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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Taste and See: A Sustaining Promise

(10:30 AM) **PRAISE TEAM OPENER**
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Make a Way

by Egan, Ingram

PRELUDE

May the Road Rise to Meet You

by True

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: The ads online, on TV, and everywhere we look shout: "Buy me! You deserve me! You're only worthy with me!"

P: Some days we shout back: Enough!

L: And other days we let a theology and attitude of scarcity overtake us.

P: On those days we allow what we have to define us, control us, and restrict us.

L: God provides enough. God created each of us as enough. God creates a world of abundance.

P: But our certainty of scarcity, our idolatry of the shiny, and our fears of others prevent us from gratitude, graciousness, and sharing.

L: We live in an abundant world.

P: Our creator makes it so.

L: Move our hearts, lessen our fears in this hour.

P: There is enough for all of us.

L: Praise be to the God of Abundant Love!

P: Praise to the God of Enough!

PRAYER OF THE DAY²

***OPENING HYMN NO. 459 BH** (see p. 4 of bulletin) *Come O Fount of Every Blessing*

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION³

L: God of mercy, hear our prayer.

P: When your desert people cried out to you in hunger and in thirst, you gave them bread from heaven and brought out water from the rock. When the poor and needy seek sustenance and there is none; when their tongues are parched with thirst, you answer them: “I, the God of Israel, will not forsake you!” We—your people, too—hungry and thirsty for righteousness, cry out: “Do not forsake us!” But your answer comes, confounding and convicting: “Do not forsake me!” you say. “You, Lord?” we respond. “When did we see you?” Then, like a feast spread before us, you reveal your fullness in our neighbor’s longing gaze. In your mercy you have created enough for our neighbor and for us, except that we desire so much. In your mercy you show us that our unbridled desire is killing both of us. In your mercy, you show us the connection between our need for righteousness and our neighbor’s need for water. Free us from our greed, O God of mercy. Pound righteousness from our stony hearts—like water from a rock—that our neighbor may know no want; that our lives might once more be full. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2267 FWS (see p. 5 of bulletin)

Taste and See

ALL SING: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SCRIPTURE
MESSAGE**

Exodus 16:1-15, 35-17:7

HYMN NO. 460 BH (see p. 6 of bulletin, vs. 1 & 2)

God Will Take Care of You

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

Carol Emenheiser

Stella Fletcher

Travis Pinci

HYMN NO. 460 BH (see p. 6 of bulletin, vs. 3 & 4)

God Will Take Care of You

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, BLESSING OF GIFTS, & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

CLOSING HYMN NO. 81 BH (see p. 6)

God Be With You Until We Meet Again

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Improvisations on Aberystwyth

arr. Hopson

References

¹The Call to Worship is written by Tim Graves and posted on his blog LiturgyBits: Little bits for worship. <https://liturgybits.wordpress.com/> and accessed on September 19, 2022

²The Prayer of the Day was written by Christine Longhurst for re:Worship and accessed on September 19, 2022

³The Prayer of Confession is from from Worship Resources for Lent and World Water Day 2014, compiled by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Originally posted on the Global Ministries website (United Church of Christ, Christian Church - Disciples of Christ) <http://globalministries.org/water/water-worship-worship-resources.html> and accessed on Re:Worship Blogspot at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2014/02/prayer-of-confession-water-from-rock.html> on September 19, 2022

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Notes

Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robinson, 1758

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Piano



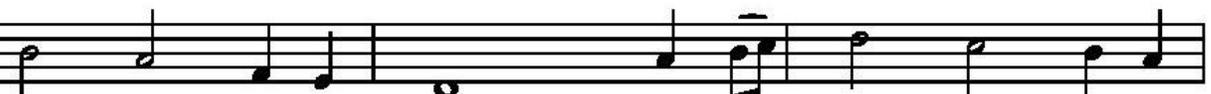
1. Come, O Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2. Here I pause in my so - journ - ing, giv - ing
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly

4



heart to sing your grace; streams of mer - cy nev - er ceas - ing, call for
thanks for hav - ing come, come to trust, at ev - ery turn - ing, God will
I am drawn a - new! Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my

8



songs of end - less praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious
guide me safe - ly home. Je - sus sought me when a
wan - dering heart to you. Prone to wan - der, I can

11



son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the
strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God, Came to
feel it, wan - der from the love I've known: Here's my

14



mount I'm fixed up - on - it, mount of God's un - fail - ing love.
res - cue me from dan - ger, bless - ed bod - y pre - cious blood.
heart, O take and seal it, seal it for your ver - y own.

Taste and See

James E. Moore

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Piano

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Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the

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Lord. _____ O taste and see, taste and see the

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good - ness of the Lord, _____ of the Lord.

God Will Take Care of You

Civilla D. Martin, 1904

W. Stillman Martin, 1905

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Piano 

1. Be not dis-mayed what - e'er be - tide,
2. Through days of toil when heart grows frail,
3. All you may need God will pro - vide,
4. No mat-ter what may be the test,

3 

God will take care of you; Be-neath God's wings of love a - bide,
God will take care of you; When dan - gers fierce your path as - sail,
God will take care of you; Noth-ing you ask will be de - nied,
God will take care of you; Lean, wea - ry one, up - on God's breast,

7 

God will take care of you. God will take care of you, through ev-ery day,
God will take care of you.
God will take care of you.
God will take care of you.

12 

o'er all the way; God will take care of you, God will take care of you.

God Be With You

Jeremiah E. Rankin

Edward J. Hopkins, 1869

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Piano



1. God be with you till we meet a-gain; By good coun-sel guide, up -
2. God be with you till we meet a-gain; Wings of shel-ter safe - ly
3. God be with you till we meet a-gain; When life's per-ils thick con -
4. God be with you till we meet a-gain; Keep love's ban-ner float-ing

4



- hold you, With a shep-herd's care en - fold you: God be with you till we
hide you, Dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you: God be with you till we
- found you, Put un - fail - ing arms a - round you: God be with you till we
o'er you, Smite death's threat-ening wave be - fore you: God be with you till we

8

Refrain



meet a-gain. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je sus' feet; till we
meet a-gain.
meet a-gain.
meet a-gain.

13



meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.