

August 2, 2020

9:30 Worship

"Feeding the Soul"

** indicates those who are comfortably able may stand*

*"...I will call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
Incline your ear to me, hear my words..."*

-Psalm 17:6

Gathering Music

Amy Crousore

Welcome and Greetings

Pastor Rick

Prelude

"Waltz"

Frederic Chopin

Carrying in the Light of Christ

*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 17)

Darren Lasley

Hear our cries, O LORD; attend to our pleas.
Give ear to our prayers; incline your ear to our petitions.

**From God, comes vindication and justice;
From God comes all good things, blessings in our lives.**

We come to you, O God, purged of wickedness;
Examine us, O God, and see that our hearts are pure.

**We have avoided the ways of the violent;
Our lips utter no evil words, only praise.**

We call upon you, O God; and await your answer.
Incline your ear, and hear our words.

**God's Steadfast Love overflows in our lives;
God will Guide us and protect us under the shadow of God's wings!
Come, let us worship God!**

*Opening Hymn

"Come, Share the Lord"

(insert)

*Opening Prayer

Darren Lasley

God of miracles; we hear the story of the loaves and fishes and marvel at the extravagance of your provision. Just as you supplied plenty from emptiness in the ministries of Jesus Christ, we know that your provision supplies us with overflowing grace as well. Forgive us for the times when we fail to recognize your extravagance in our lives; your presence and provision in our midst. Open our eyes, that we may see you acting in us and through us; and, like those first century disciples, inspire us to be vehicles of your blessed miracles. In Jesus' name we pray; Amen.

*Assurance of Blessing

Pastor Rick

When confronted with the hungry crowds, the disciples wanted to send them away; but Jesus told them “no; YOU give them something to eat.” Jesus miracle of loaves and fishes was enacted through the work of those disciples. Likewise, God’s miracles today are enlivened through us. God not only forgives us our shortcomings, God gives us, every day, the opportunity to be miracle workers. We are all God’s children, blessed and beloved; forgiven and free! Praise be to God!

*Prayer Response

“Spirit of the Living God”

NCH #283

Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!
Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me!

Children’s Time

Pastor Rick

Response

“This Little Light of Mine”

This little light of mine; I’m gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I’m gonna let it shine!
This little light of mine; I’m gonna let it shine!
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Anthem

“Wade in the Water”

Susan Felton
Mark Hayes

Old Testament Lesson:

Genesis 32:22-31

Darren Lasley

Repenting from his past sins against his brother Esau, Jacob wrestles with God and is wounded in the process. Jacob is renamed Israel, for he has “striven with God and humans and has prevailed.”

Gospel Lesson:

Matthew 14:13-21

Darren Lasley

In a familiar miracle story, Jesus feeds five thousand people with only five loaves of bread and two fish. In doing so, he illustrates the extravagance of the kingdom of heaven, juxtaposed with the scarcity of worldly limitations.

Sermon:

“Feeding the Soul”

Pastor Rick

*Meditation Hymn

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

NCH #173

*Invitation to Communion

In today’s Sacrament of Communion, we will be remembering the meal in which Jesus gave us instruction to be servant leaders and to love one another even as he first loved us; however, we will not be partaking of bread and wine in the Sanctuary (people viewing at home may do so). In the act of blessing, elevation and fraction we remember God’s presence in the life of Jesus; we remember Jesus’ instructions throughout his life; and we remember God’s Holy Spirit inspiring us to serve. For those present in the Sanctuary, we will take the presence of Jesus into our hearts in symbolic gesture, rather than physical nourishment; and all will receive a special blessing from Pastor Rick, reminding us of the blessings of community.

Pastoral Prayer & Silent Prayer

Institution/Fraction/Elevation/Blessing

Meditation

“Hear My Cry, O Lord”

Susan Felton
Cesar Franck

Communion Prayer

The LORD's Prayer

(sung by the congregation, led by Susan Felton)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing our Announcements of Community Life

Presenting our Gifts

“Come, Share the Lord”

Amy Crousore
Mark Hayes

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You can also give online by visiting our website: www.columbiaucc.com*



*Response

“We Praise You, O God”

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**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We bless your Holy name, glad praises we sing!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Darren Lasley

God of amazing extravagant love, we give generously to you as you have given generously to us. Take these gifts and bless them, multiply them and use them to feed the souls of all those yearning for spiritual fulfillment. We give knowing that you challenge us to be your miracle workers in the world; we pray that these gifts might work miracles in abundance. Amen.

*Benediction

Pastor Rick

*Response:

“Let There be Peace on Earth”

**Let there be Peace on Earth and Let it Begin with me!
Let there be Peace on Earth; the Peace that was meant to be!
With God our Creator, Children all are we!
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony!
Let Peace begin with me; let this be the moment now!
With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!
Let there be Peace on Earth; and let it begin with me!**

*Postlude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

Amy Crousore
Martin Luther

CUCC Open and Affirming/Inclusion Covenant:

Columbia United Church of Christ celebrates God's boundless and unconditional love by intentionally welcoming and affirming all God's children.

- No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey;
- No matter where you are on your faith journey;
- No matter your sexual orientation, gender expression or identity;
- No matter your race, culture, ethnicity, nationality or politics;
- No matter your age, ability, health, relationship status or family structure;
- No matter your social, economic, educational, legal or life circumstances;
- You are welcome here!

Called by Jesus to be an Open and Affirming, inclusive faith community, Columbia United Church of Christ commits to welcoming everyone into the full life of our congregation. Our paths and voices may differ, but we journey in faith together.

***CUCC celebrates God's boundless love by:
Welcoming all God's People;
Nurturing Faith and Spiritual Growth;
Challenging and inspiring everyone with vibrant worship;
Building a supportive church family;
Transforming both the congregation and community
through service and outreach***

Come, Share the Lord

Refrain

1. We gath - er here in Je - sus' name,
 2. He joins us here, he breaks the bread,
 3. We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;

his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;
 the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;
 we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;

for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:
 the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host:
 now we an - ti - ci - pate the feast for which we wait:

Fine

Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
 Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.
 Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

WORDS and MUSIC: Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1984

DIVERNON
Irr.

1. No one is a stran-ger here, ev - ery - one be - longs;
2. We are now a fam - i - ly of which the Lord is head;

find - ing our for-give-ness here, we in turn for-give all wrongs.
though un - seen he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.

D. C.

I Hunger and I Thirst

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1. I hun - ger and I thirst; Je - sus, my man - na be!
2. O bruised and bro - ken Bread, my life - long needs sup - ply.
3. O true life - giv - ing Vine, let me your good - ness prove.
4. For still the de - sert lies be - hind me and be - fore:

O liv - ing wa - ters, burst out of the rock for me!
As liv - ing souls are fed, so feed me, or I die.
By your life sweet - en mine, re - fresh my soul with love.
O liv - ing wa - ters, rise with - in me ev - er - more!

Tú has venido a la orilla

(You Have Come down to the Lakeshore)

Matt. 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11

Cesáreo Gabaraín, 1979; alt.
Transl. Madeleine Forell Marshall, 1989; alt.

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1 Tú has ve - ni - do a la o - ri - lla, no has bus -
2 Tú sa - bes bien lo que ten - go: en mi
1 You have come down to the lake - shore seek - ing
2 You know full well my pos - ses - sions. Nei - ther

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ca - do ni a sa - bios, ni a ri - cos, tan só - lo
bar - ca no hay o - ro ni es - pa - das; tan só - lo
nei - ther the wise nor the wealth - y, But on - ly
trea - sure nor weap - ons for con - quest, Just these my

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Estrillo (Refrain)
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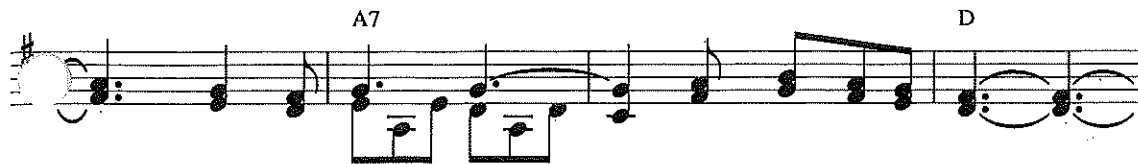
quie - res que yo te si - ga. Je -
re - des y mi tra - ba - jo.
ask - ing for me to fol - low. O
fish - nets and will for work - ing.

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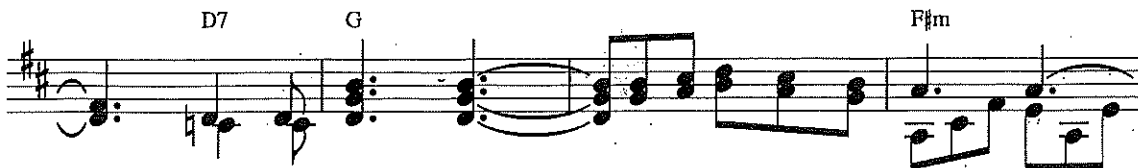
sús, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos;
Je - sus, you have looked in - to my eyes;

One of the most popular hymns to emerge from the 1970s revival of religious songs in Spain, this text has been translated into nearly eighty languages. The Spanish composer-author was a parish priest known for his work among youth.

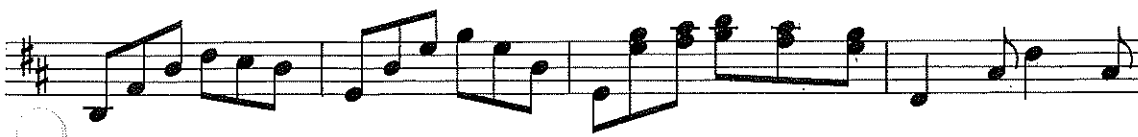
Tune: PESCADOR DE HOMBRES
8.10.10, with refrain
Cesáreo Gabaraín, 1979
Harm. Skinner Chávez-Melo, 1987



son - ri - en - do, has di - cho mi nom - bre;
kind - ly smil - ing, you've called out my name.



en la a - re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca;
On the sand I have a - ban - doned my small boat;



jun - to a ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.
now with you I will seek oth - er seas.



Tú ne - ce - si - tas mis ma - nos,
mi can - san - cio que a o - tros des - can - se,
a - mor que quie - ra se - guir a - man - do.
Estrillo

3. You need my hands, my ex - haus - tion,
work - ing love for the rest of the
wea - ry—
A love that's will - ing to go on lov - ing.
Refrain

Tú Pes - ca - dor de o - tros ma - res,
a - mi - go e - ter - na de al - mas que es - pe - ran.
A - mi - go bue - no, que a - sí me lla - mas.
Estrillo

4. You who have fished oth - er wa - ters;
you, the long - ing of souls that are
yearn - ing:
As lov - ing Friend, you have come
to call me.
Refrain