9th Sunday after Pentecost – August 2, 2020 – 8:30am

Order of Worship

The Community Gathers

Lighting of Altar Candles - Ushers
Prelude - Stephen Bullard
A Word of Greeting and Welcome ~ Ki Choi
Centering Words - Ki Choi

In our darkest hours, God’s light continues to shine. In our weariest moments, God’s strength is enough. In our times of greatest isolation, God’s presence is always near.

Opening Hymn* - “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” Faith Chancel Choir & Crossroads

Giving God Glory As We Come To Worship

Call to Worship (L: Leader P: People)- Eric Iki

L: Come, all who are weary.

P: Christ strengthens us with love and grace.

L: In this strength, we can do all things.

P: We are here, ready to receive God’s blessings.

Opening Prayer Eric Iki

Let us bow our heads. Mighty God, pour out your power and strength on us. Grant us the nourishment we need to receive your word. May your presence fill our lives and carry us forth, preparing us to be your people and equipping us to do your work in the world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

The Word of God for the people of God

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 14:13-21 Darrell Mark

13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. 14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. 15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” 16 Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” 17 They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” 18 And he said, “Bring them here to me.” 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to
the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: The Word of God for all people

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon: ~ “Give Ye Them to Eat” Allison Mark
Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer Allison Mark

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We Respond to God’s grace

Celebration of Holy Communion Allison Mark, Ki Choi & Eric Iki
Communion Hymn ~ “In the Garden” Faith Chancel Choir
Offering Our Gifts ~

*Offertory – Prayer of Dedication Ki Choi

Let us bow our heads. Holy Spirit, as you blessed Jacob long ago, bless us now. As you blessed bread and fish on a Galilean shore, bless and transform these gifts into abundant blessings for those in need; bless and guide our ministries into avenues for your mercy and grace. In your blessed name, we pray. Amen.

Going Forth in God's Holy Name

Closing Hymn* ~ “Matthew 11” Devotion Band
Faith In Action – The Ministry of Faith UMC – Eric Iki
Commission and Blessings * - Allison Mark
Passing of the Peace* - Postlude