WE GATHER

WORSHIP

ONLINE Worship • Holy Communion • July 4, 2021

Our Calling to Fulfill

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Welcome

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Response: The Doxology - Ty Woodward

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WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

THE GOSPEL

Mark 6:13

William Bumiller, Lay Lector

The Word of God for the people of God.

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HOMILY

“God’s Creating Spirit: Our Calling to Fulfill”

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William Bumiller

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WE RESPOND

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Farris

I invite you to take the communion elements you have in your home—a piece of bread or cracker and a cup of water or juice. After I consecrate the elements at the altar table, I invite us to commune all together, receiving the bread and cup which make Christ present and real to us in our bodies, hearts, and souls.

We experience the presence of Christ in our hearts through the grace of God which knows no walls or boundaries, in which there is no distance or separating. We are always truly “one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world!”

HYMN

One Bread, One Body

Ty Woodward

One bread, one body, one Lord of all. One cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Tricia Guerrero

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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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.

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We are excited to offer a worship opportunity to those who would like to participate in the service while it being recorded. On SATURDAY, July 10, at 11 a.m., we can safely seat a limited number of people in the Sanctuary. We'll be masked and distanced. An usher will direct you. If you'd like to reserve a pew seat for this opportunity, call the church office to RSVP (310-393-8258). Since there are a limited number of spaces available for the recording, please call as soon as you are able.

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