



**DOUGLAS UCC**  
A JUST WORLD FOR ALL

**Order of Service for Sunday, July 17, 2022**

## **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Thank you for joining us today.**

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**\*- stand if you wish to, and are able.**

**Congressional Responses in Bold**

**Prelude**     *Talk About a Child That Do Love Jesus (Here's One)*

**Peter Black**

(Please use this time for quiet reflection and preparation for worship)

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Lighting of Altar Candles & Ringing in the Hour**

Let us recognize the light of the world within us and ring in the hour of worship.

**Introit** (please stand) *Surely the Presence*

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,*

*I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.*

*I can feel the brush of angel wings, I see glory on each face.*

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

## **Call to Worship**

**Psalm 15**

**Reader: Jerry Coates**

One: O God, who may abide in your tent?

**Many: Who may dwell on your holy hill?**

One: Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

**Many: Those who speak the truth from their heart and do not slander with their tongue.**

One: Those who do no evil to their friends,

**Many: Nor those who take up a reproach against their neighbors;**

One: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

**Many: They will abide in your tent and dwell on your holy hill.**

**Amen.**

### **\*Opening Hymn,**

*I Woke Up This Morning*

(Black New Century Hymnal No. 85)

(Find Music at the end of this program)

## **Unison Prayer**

**Help me, O God, to not allow myself to become so busy like Martha with all the things that need to be done that I get tense, anxious, and critical of others. I will not allow myself to become anxious and troubled about so many things that I do not have time to relax and rest and to let my thoughts dwell on the things of Spirit. Like Mary, help me to remember that the Spirit is more important than the outer detail. Help me to take time to pray and listen to the God of my being and find quick and sure release from any feelings of tension, stress, or strain. Amen.**

## **Assurance of Grace and Peace**

One: Peace be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Let us offer one another a sign of Peace.

## **Passing the Peace** *Spirit, Fill Me*

**Spirit come and fill me, fill me with your peace, fill me with your joy and your love.  
Spirit come and show me, show me how to care, show me how to share your  
light.**

**Help me give my hand to those in need, let my heart be open to receive.**

**When we share your love we can work together to heal this broken world.**

**Spirit come and fill us, fill us with your peace, fill us with your joy and your love.**

**Spirit come and show us, show us how to care, show us how to share your light.**

## **Words of Integration & Guidance**

**Bishop John Shelby Spong**

The attitude of Jesus toward women is shown in several Gospel passages. One is told only by Luke in today's Gospel story of Jesus' visit to the home of Mary and Martha in Bethany. Martha is busily engaged in the kitchen preparing to serve her guest. She was doing the tasks associated with the role of women in that culture. However, her sister Mary had positioned herself at the feet of Jesus the teacher, assuming the role of a pupil, a learner, perhaps even a rabbinic student. In the process she was redefining the woman's place in that society. Martha, irritated that her sister was not doing her share of the 'women's work,' demanded that Jesus force Mary to abandon the inappropriate posture of a pupil and return to her proper place in the kitchen. Jesus refused to do so and defends Mary's choice with the words, "Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." This can only be read, I believe, as a radical assault on the patriarchal value system of his day. Jesus appears to be a feminist! The church, however, that grew from this Jesus all but universally opposed the feminist revolution that occurred in the 20th century. The sexism in the Christian church is far removed from the ideals and passions of Jesus, its feminist founder. If the church had listened to, observed and learned from the teaching of Jesus of Nazareth about women in both church and society, then the church would have led this fight rather than being dragged screaming and kicking into this new day. If, as John suggests, Jesus' purpose is that all might have abundant life, then equality and respect for 50% of the human race becomes a compelling Christian necessity.

## **Word & Work**

### **The Words of Holy Scripture**

One: A Reading of Scripture from Genesis 18:1-10

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gospel Lesson**

One: The Holy Gospel according to Luke 10:38-42

**Many: Glory to you, O Christ.**

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Many: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Homily**      "DO-ing vs. BE-ing"      **Rev. Salvatore Sapienza**

### **Offering & Offertory**

*Be Still*

**Stan Greene and Peter Black**

Composer: Kari Jobe and Ed Cash

## **Martha & Mary**

### **Joys & Concerns/Tibetan Prayer Bell**

One: Thanks be to God!

**Many: Alleluia!**

One: O God,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

**\*Doxology** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God from whom all blessing flow. Praise God all creatures here below.***

***Praise God for all that love has done. Creator, Christ, and Spirit one!***

***Creator, Christ, and Spirit One.***

## **\*Celebration of Holy Communion**

One: God be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**Many: We lift them up to God.**

One: Let us give thanks to God.

**Many: It is good to give God thanks & praise**

## **\*Creation's Praise** *Holy*

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts.***

***Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!***

***Blessed is the One who comes,***

***who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!***

*(Please be seated)*

## **Breaking of the Bread** *There is Room for All*

***There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;***

***There is room for all at the table of God's love.***

***And I exalt and sing "We do this in remembrance of you."***

***There is room for all. There is room for all.***

## **Sharing of the Bread & Cup**

(grape juice only on both sides of the aisle)

Receive the Bread of Life. **Amen.**

The Cup of Love, the Drink of Compassion. **Amen.**

## **\*The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Mother/Father, always and everywhere, 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.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Sending**      *Go, My Children, With My Blessing*  
(Black New Century Hymnal No. 82)  
(Find music at the end of this program)

## **Benediction**

**Postlude**                      *To Everything There is a Season (Turn, Turn, Turn)*  
**Peter Black**

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# I Woke Up This Morning

*African-American traditional*

*Leader (Unison)* *All (Harmony)*

1 I woke up this morn-ing with my mind stayed on  
 2 Sing-ing and pray-ing with my mind stayed on

Hal-le - lu - jah,

Je - sus, Woke up this morn-ing with my mind stayed on Je - sus,  
 Je - sus, Sing-ing and pray-ing with my mind stayed on Je - sus,

Woke up this morn-ing with my mind stayed on Je - sus,  
 Sing-ing and pray-ing with my mind stayed on Je - sus,

Hal-le-lu - jah,

Hal-le - lu, hal-le - lu, hal-le - lu - jah.

Hal-le, hal-le - lu - jah.



## Go, My Children, with My Blessing

*Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983, 1990; alt.*

1 Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone;  
2 Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me;

Wak - ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own;  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.

In my love's bap - tis-mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er,  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here with ten - der com - fort stilled you;

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own.  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free.

*For marriage services, this stanza may be sung between stanzas 1 and 2 above.*

In this un-ion I have joined you hus-band and wife,  
Now, my chil-dren, live to-geth-er as heirs of life:  
Each the oth-er's glad-ness shar-ing,  
each the oth-er's bur-dens bear-ing,  
Now, my chil-dren, live to-geth-er as heirs of life.