

July 5, 2020

Center Harbor Congregational Church, United Church of Christ

**Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Worship Materials**

O taste and see that the Lord is good
happy are those who take refuge in him.
~from Psalm 34:8

We come hungry, Lord!
We are hungry for comfort,
hungry for love,
hungry for a new way of living,
hungry for your word.

~Carol Penner, *Worship Resources in a Mennonite Voice
for Ears of All Kinds*

You Are Mine~David Haas (*lyrics on next page*)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gBPA4mIJ5NY>

[Verse 1]

I will come to you in the silence
I will lift you from all your fear
You will hear My voice
I claim you as My choice
Be still, and know I am near

[Verse 2]

I am hope for all who are hopeless
I am eyes for all who long to see
In the shadows of the night
I will be your light
Come and rest in Me

[Chorus]

Do not be afraid, I am with you
I have called you each by name
Come and follow Me
I will bring you home
I love you and you are mine

[Verse 3]

I am strength for all the despairing
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free
And all will know My name

“Granite Staters encouraged to abide by water restrictions with drought seemingly inevitable

Recent conditions in vast majority of state considered abnormally dry”

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Faith

Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of faith is to see what we believe.

~ *Saint Augustine*

The fields were parched and brown from lack of rain, and the crops lay wilting from thirst. People were anxious and irritable as they searched the sky for any sign of relief. Days turned into arid weeks. No rain came.

The ministers of the local churches called for an hour of prayer on the town square the following Saturday. They requested that everyone bring an object of faith for inspiration.

At high noon on the appointed Saturday the townspeople turned out *en masse*, filling the square with anxious faces and hopeful hearts. The ministers were touched to see the variety of objects clutched in prayerful hands—holy books, crosses, rosaries.

When the hour ended, as if on magical command, a soft rain began to fall. Cheers swept the crowd as they held their treasured objects high in gratitude and praise. From the middle of the crowd one faith symbol seemed to overshadow all the others. A small nine-year-old child had brought an umbrella.

~ From Chicken Soup
for the Christian Soul

The Lord's Prayer

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.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

O Taste and See ~ Ralph Vaughan Williams, sung by The Cambridge Singers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=heiiATCrwVQ&list=RDmVgO5F6ACAQ&index=2>

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in him.

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Ending Prayer ~ Vanderbilt Lectionary Online Library

We rejoice, O Christ,
for in your tender compassion
you shoulder our burdens and ease our heavy hearts.
Give us the strength to carry each other
as you have carried us. Amen

The Lord Bless You and Keep You ~ John Rutter

~Sung by Abilene Christian University

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b9lf9bapaQQ>

The Lord bless you and keep you:
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
To shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious unto you
The Lord bless you and keep you:
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
To shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious unto you
The Lord lift up the light
Of His countenance upon you,
The Lord lift up the light
Of His countenance upon you,
And give you peace,
And give you peace,
And give you peace,
And give you peace
Amen