

11:00 a.m.

14th Sunday of Pentecost

September 14, 2025

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

All Are Welcome

The composer,
John Bell,
wrote *God
Welcomes All* for
the Iona
Community to
remind
worshippers that
we are called to
model God's
expansive grace
and love for the
whole world.
Singing this truth
helps us live into
our commitment
to be a Covenant
Network Church
where all are
welcome to gather
for worship,
learning, and
service to God and
all are one in Jesus
Christ.

Use this QR code
to fill out the
online friendship
pad.



Prelude Christians, We Have Met to Worship D. A. White
Christians, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God;
Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;
Christians, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.
Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too;
Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.
Then He'll call us home to heaven, at His table we'll sit down;
Christ will gird Himself, and serve us with sweet manna all around.

Introit, No. 399 God Welcomes All THEMBA AMEN

* Call to Worship From Psalm 71

One: Come, all who journey near and far, all who seek refuge, all who
celebrate God's gifts.

**All: We come to worship the Creator, who makes us in God's
image, who calls us to welcome the stranger.**

One: God's Spirit sustains us through challenges and guides us in
acts of justice and love.

**All: We rejoice in God's presence and commit ourselves to care
for one another. Let us worship God together.**

* Hymn 637 O Sing to the Lord CANTAI AO SEHNOR

Verse 1 in Spanish (printed below); Verse 2-5 in English

All Sing:

Cantad al Señor un cántico nuevo. (3x)

¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!

Prayer of Confession

**All: Gracious God, forgive us for the times we have ignored the
suffering of others and failed to act with compassion.
Forgive our indifference and our silence. Transform our
hearts so that we may welcome the stranger, uphold justice,
and love our neighbors as ourselves. Strengthen us by your
Spirit to live in your ways of mercy and truth. Amen.**

Please continue your prayers in silence.

Declaration of Love

One: The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases. God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness!

All: **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

Song of Praise, No. 585

MACHU-PICHU

**All: Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios, gloria en los cielos
A Dios la gloria por siempre.
Aleluya, Amén!**

* Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All: Holy God, speak to us through your Word. Open our eyes to the needs of those who are displaced and marginalized. Teach us to see your image in every person and to act with mercy and justice. May your Spirit guide us in this hour of worship. Amen.

Time with Children

All Sing:

**Come into God's presence singing:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Scripture

Leviticus 19:33-34

Scripture

Matthew 25:35-36
Genesis 1:26-27

Sermon

Jhan Dotel-Vallenga

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* Hymn 346

For the Healing of the Nations
Verse 1 – Solo; Verse 2-4 – All

ST. THOMAS

Today's middle hymn, For the Healing of the Nations, was writing for use on Human Rights Dave (December 10) at the Pilgrim Church in Plymouth, United Kingdom, where the author, Fred Kaan, was the minister.

We are invited to make an offering in response to God's grace and love and to Jesus' call to care for one another. You can use the QR code below or place your offering in one of the baskets next to the bulletins.



Use this QR Code to go to a document which contains all of our current **Sign-Up Links** for things like worship greeting and ushering, fellowship event registrations, service opportunity information and registrations, and more.



Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

All: 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.

Offertory

- * Doxology Praise to God the Father OLD HUNDREDTH
**All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

- * Prayer of Dedication

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD
INTO THE WORLD

- * Hymn 765 May the God of Hope ARGENTINA
1st time – Solo in Spanish, 2nd and 3rd time – all in English
- * Benediction
- * Postlude

Worship Leaders
Preacher – Jhan Dotel-Vallenga Liturgists – Robert Alexander Musicians – David Brinson, Sarah Lynch, Chancel Choir Greeters – Marjorie Burris, Beth Christenbury, Lin and Jeanne Snowa Ushers – Joel Ritchie Tech – Jennie Clifton, Ben Slay

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Childcare &

Children's Sunday School

Children are invited to Sunday School, 9:45-10:45 a.m. Come hear Bible stories, make friends, have fun, and learn! Classes for infants through Preschool are on the lower level. Children in TK/Kindergarten through fifth grade are on the upper level. Please check in at a kiosk prior to drop off to receive name tags.

Childcare for ages 0-6 is available in room 14 weekly from 8:15 am – 12:15 p.m.. A comfort room is available in Room 15 for nursing, napping babies with a live stream of worship.

Hearing Assistance Devices

Our devices are available in baskets at each entrance to the sanctuary. Each receiver pack has one of two cords: a simple in-ear piece and a T-Coil neck loop. If you need assistance, please see a worship leader.

Pew Cushions

A limited number of pew cushions are available for worshipers with back issues in the narthex.

Narthex Bathrooms

The bathrooms in the narthex (the entry way from the campus, at the back of the sanctuary) are all-gender bathrooms.

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