

**FIRST CHURCH, SARASOTA**  
*Love God. Love People. Make Disciples of Jesus Christ.*

**Traditional Worship Service**  
**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**AUGUST 7, 2022**

Michael Stuart, Director of Music/Organist  
Rev. Sam Wright, Ph.D., Senior Pastor

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

INTROIT

*Behold now, praise the Lord! All ye servants of the Lord, praise the Lord!*

Everett Titcomb

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donna Maynard, Director of Ministries

MISSION MOMENT SLIDESHOW —DAY4HOPE

OPENING HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Hymnal 89<sup>1</sup>

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Alyssa Machado, Director of Children's Ministries

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Sam Wright

CHORAL RESPONSE

*For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.*

Diane Bish

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Adoration*  
Leela Sundaram, *violin*

Felix Borowski

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:5-14<sup>2</sup>

THE MESSAGE

*Teach Us to Pray: Our Father*

Rev. Dr. Sam Wright

The Lord's Prayer *CEB translation* (Unison)

**Our Father who is in heaven, uphold the holiness of your name. Bring in your kingdom so that your will is done on earth as it's done in heaven. Give us the bread we need for today. Forgive us for the ways we have wronged you, just as we also forgive those who have wronged us. And don't lead us into temptation, but rescue us from the evil one. Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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 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.**

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery**

**in which you have given yourself to us.**

**Grant that we may go into the world**

**in the strength of your Spirit**

**to give ourselves for others**

**in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN OF RESPONSE

*I Come with Joy*

Hymnal 617<sup>3</sup>

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

TFWS 2171<sup>5</sup>

PASSING THE PEACE

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<sup>1</sup>*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*, Hymnal 89

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

2. All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

<sup>2</sup>Matthew 6:5-14

“When you pray, don’t be like hypocrites. They love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners so that people will see them. I assure you, that’s the only reward they’ll get. But when you pray, go to your room, shut the door, and pray to your Father who is present in that secret place. Your Father who sees what you do in secret will reward you.

“When you pray, don’t pour out a flood of empty words, as the Gentiles do. They think that by saying many words they’ll be heard. Don’t be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask. Pray like this:

Our Father who is in heaven, uphold the holiness of your name. Bring in your kingdom so that your will is done on earth as it’s done in heaven. Give us the bread we need for today. Forgive us for the ways we have wronged you, just as we also forgive those who have wronged us. And don’t lead us into temptation, but rescue us from the evil one.

“If you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you don’t forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins.”

<sup>3</sup>*I Come with Joy*, Hymnal 617

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved and free, in awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me, his life laid down for me.

2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ’s communion bread, in Christ’s communion bread.

3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. The love that made us that makes us one, and strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.

4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known; we see and praise him here, we see and praise him here.

5. Together met, together bound, we’ll go our different ways, and as his people in the world, we’ll live and speak his praise, we’ll live and speak his praise.

*4Make Me a Channel of Your Peace, TFWS 2171*

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
  2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.
  3. Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.
  4. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.
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**WELCOME HOME, DR. SAM!**

Dr. Sam has returned to us after his July renewal leave of studying, taking classes, and maybe resting also. Today he begins a 6-week Sermon Series **Teach Us to Pray** based on *The Lord's Prayer*.

August 7 - Our Father, Matthew 6:9

August 14 - Whose Will? Matthew 6:10

August 21 - Our Daily Bread, Matthew 6:11

August 28 - Forgive Us ... As We Forgive, Matthew 6:12

September 4 - Do Not Bring Us to the Time of Trial, Matthew 6:13

September 11 - The Father's Kingdom, Power, and Glory, Matthew 6:13b



**SUNFLOWERS FOR UKRAINE NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

Thank you for supporting our mission efforts to help improve the welfare and conditions of Ukrainians for their safety, housing, and care of refugees along with the evacuation of cities under siege through our mission partner: [ukrainianpeace.org](http://ukrainianpeace.org). **Andy Roman will deliver fifty sunflowers for donations next Sunday. Take one home or give to a friend.**

Sunflowers are a national symbol of pride for Ukraine. They contribute valuable resources of oil, seeds, pest prevention, and natural cleansing of the soil. The heliotropic flowers track the sun's motion across the sky from east to west. The yellow of the sunflower is represented in the flag against the blue skies of Ukraine. Join us in helping the people of Ukraine. Thank you!

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