

Order of Worship  
Sunday, July 25, 2021

**“Time for a Rest”**

*(\*Denotes inclusion in posted video, unmarked items will be recorded live and included, music videos will be shown in worship and included in posted playlist)*

\*Opening Video

Welcome

Sue Huntley

Prelude

Dr. Olga Aynvarg

Call to Worship

Dr. Susan Inman

**L:** You are searching for God. You will not be disappointed.

With joyous anticipation, prepare yourself for God’s appearance  
among us

**C: We wait for God to make God’s presence known.**

**We wait for the comfort and compassion God reliably provides.**

**L:** Proclaim your trust in God in all times and all places.

This is the time to celebrate God’s steadfast love, here, now,  
and always.

**C: It is God’s grace that has captured our attention and desire,  
and God’s love that sustains us all along our journey of faith.**

**L:** Join in song and prayer, seeking God’s Word for your lives.

Let us give thanks for God’s promise of a new day.

**C: Together, we do thank God for our blessings as we seek  
God’s comfort and guidance.**

Unison Prayer

**Gracious God, we come to you with many needs. Some of us are experiencing joys we did not expect, and reasons to give thanks to which we have never given voice. Others are facing unexpected loss that tears at our hearts. We ask that you come to us in your mysterious ways, lifting us out of our ruts and routines, and guiding us in our thanksgiving, that we will be rewarded for our search for the fullness of life you graciously provide. Amen.**

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Hymn (Video) "Come and Find the Quiet Center" - Performed by B. J. Collins  
Words by Shirley Erena Murray/Music attributed to B. F.  
White

**Prayers for Our World and One Another**

Nadine Wiles

**\*Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

Pastor D. Scott Allen

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

Hymn (Video) "Come to Me" - Performed by Christopher Grundy

Scripture Reading Mark 6: 30-34, 45-46, 53-56

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30 The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33 Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. 34 As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

45 Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. 46 After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. 54 When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, 55 and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. 56 And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

