

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 2021 ~ 10:30 a.m.

The Gathering

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering Around the Word

HYMN

CALL TO WORSHIP

The foolish say, "There is no God!

We are alone, on our own."

**We gather to declare
the glory of God in our lives.**

The foolish say, "It is your life;
you are accountable to no one."

**We gather, strengthened by the Spirit,
trusting that Christ dwells in our hearts.**

The foolish say, "Everything I have is mine;
I owe nothing to anyone."

**We gather to praise the One
who calls us to serve others in love.**

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

God looks at us, to see if we are wise enough to offer confession, to receive forgiveness, and to seek to know the healing love of Christ. Let us prove our wisdom, and set aside our foolish pride, as we pray together,

UNISON PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

Have mercy, God of every generation. Pour out the rich blessing of forgiveness on our parched souls. Feed us with Heaven's Bread, so we might be nourished by your gentleness. Shape us as your people, and restore us to faithful living, as we seek to follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in service to everyone we meet.

Silence is kept

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The wideness of God's mercy, the range of God's forgiveness, the infinite love of God, the Heart of hope which is never empty: all these gifts are ours, as God restores us to the fullness of life meant for us.

Grounded in love, rooted in discipleship, we offer ourselves in service to others, recognizing the limitless grace which is ours to share in Christ. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER ["Sins"]

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Word

SCRIPTURE
SERMON

John 6:1-21

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Responding to the Word

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

Please mail any offering or tithe to the following address:

Fleming Road UCC
Attn: Ron Alcoke
691 Fleming Road
Cincinnati, OH 45231

Prayer of Dedication/Offering

In our hands, the gifts seem so paltry, but in yours, they can bring plentitude of grace to those who are so hungry for hope. In our hearts, we wonder how effective our ministries might be, but joined with yours, we can indeed bring healing, community, peace, and joy to our struggling communities. Bless us and our gifts, multiply our hopes and our efforts, that your wonders might come into the world around us. Amen.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Sending the Word

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE