

# The Worship of God

## GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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World Communion Sunday • October 1, 2023 • 10:30 AM

### GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

During this time of reflection, we invite you to take a few moments to prepare yourself for worship. Take a few deep breaths and settle into the quiet. Center yourself through art by coloring the attached picture. Slip off your shoes and remember that you are on holy ground. No matter what this time looks like for you, all of you is welcome in this space.

### CHIMING THE TRINITY

Lisa Horn

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Lisa Horn

One: Welcome to this place where children and seasoned citizens sit side by side,

**Many: Where heaven and earth embrace in peace, where God has been, is, and always will be.**

One: Welcome to this place, as we gather with all of God's children,

**Many: Where we find God's love, where we hear the tender voice of Jesus, where the Spirit teaches us new songs.**

One: Welcome to this place, where all is made ready by our God. Where we bring our hunger, and find food;

**Many: Where we our brokenness and find healing, where we bring our very selves, and find acceptance.**

### INVOCATION PRAYER

### HYMN No. 16

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

### SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Lisa Horn

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### THE 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.**

### HYMN No. 419

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

HOLY MANNA

SCRIPTURE	<a href="#">Exodus 17:1-7</a>	Anita Laffoon
THE ART OF GOD		Roscoe Burnems
SERMON	“Don’t Stop Believin’ ”	Anita Laffoon
HOLY COMMUNION		
TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE	“‘Fill My Cup, Lord’ with ‘Don’t Stop Believin’”	Anita Laffoon
ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH		
HYMN No. 393	“One Bread, One Body”	ONE BREAD, ONE BODY
BENEDICTION		

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

\*\*Our services are hybrid, meaning there are cameras in the worship space to allow those joining us via Zoom to fully participate. If you would rather not be on camera, we have marked the areas where our cameras can’t see you.\*\*

### **Announcements**

#### **Metro Richmond at Prayer**

During the week of October 1, we pray for public, non-profit, and religious social service work and ministries in Metropolitan Richmond: For all in need of social services, all social service departments and caseworkers; for partnerships between the church and other institutions serving the needy.

#### **Pray for our Ministry Partners**

Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy is the largest statewide advocacy voice for the faith community in Virginia. The organization focuses primarily on issues of racial, social, and economic justice. They include Virginians of all faiths including people who identify as Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Bahai, humanist, “spiritual, not religious,” “religious none,” and people of goodwill.

#### **Study opportunities:**

- Sundays at 9am - [Curveball: When Your Faith Takes Turns You Never Saw Coming](#) by Peter Enns
- Thursdays at 10am - Acts of the Apostles
- Beginning Oct 4th, Wednesdays at 6:30pm - *The Ragamuffin Gospel* by Brennan Manning

#### **Church Picnic!**

Save the date - we’re having a picnic at Echo Lake Park on October 8th at 11am! Bring a side or dessert to share. Worship that day will include a blessing of the animals, so bring your furry friends with you!

#### **Worship isn't the same without you...**

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to

Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

### **Page Turners Book Club**

Next meeting will be November 19 @ 4pm, location TBA. We will meet to discuss *Looking for Alaska* by John Greene.

### **BP Update**

We began the delivery of Backpacks of food to FMES last week. We delivered 23 bags of food for 23 identified food insecure students. Our goal is to provide weekend food for 36 food insecure students for the school year. We are hoping to get more names of students soon! And, THANKS TO ALL, all volunteer bases are covered to make this happen again this year! PLEASE, continue to bring in those grocery bags...gotta' have those!!!

### **Hymn Texts**

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#### **Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise to thee an altar; hither by thy help I've come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, how I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

#### **All Who Hunger Gather Gladly**

All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy we keep the feast.  
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been fed.  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

## **One Bread, One Body**

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

I WILL BE STANDING  
THERE IN FRONT OF  
YOU AT THE  
ROCK AT  
HOPE.

