



First Presbyterian
Church *of* Dunedin

October 4, 2026
World Communion
Sunday

Celebration

of God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Sentences

Rev. Dr. Tom Harp, Liturgist

The banqueting table is prepared and God calls us to the feast.

**We have come from east and west, from north and south,
to sit at Christ's table.**

Here compassion, love, and grace pour out like fine wine.

Here we taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.

There are gifts of God for all the people of God.

Let us taste and see that the Lord is good!

***Hymn 15 – “All Creatures of Our God and King”**

**The Congregation is invited to rise in body or in spirit.*

***Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not always loved you.
You call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We fail to condemn evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.
God of grace,
Forgive who we have been, amend who we are,
and direct who we shall be
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.**

(pause for silent confession)

Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Response (Hymn 582)**

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

Discovery

of God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Prayer for Understanding

Please pray with me:
**Send us your Spirit of wisdom, O God,
so that we may hear your Word speaking through the Scriptures
with ears that understand and hearts that respond in love. Amen.**

Old Testament Reading – Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Pew Bible, page 58
The Word of the Lord! /Thanks be to God!

Choral Response "One World, One Communion"

One world, one communion,
One faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for
everyone.
One world, one communion,
One faith in Christ, the Son,
One world, one communion, and there is room for
everyone.
Wherever people gather to share the bread and
cup,

Though we are many, we are one in love.
So much we have in common,
Though we are miles apart,
Through the Holy Spirit, we are one in heart.
And so we are one world, one communion, one
faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for
everyone.
Wherever bread is broken and where the cup is
poured,

Brothers and sisters, we are one in the Lord.
Though many things divide us,
With great diversity,
Through the power of love we will find unity.
So help us see there's one world, one communion,
one faith in Christ, the Son.

One world, one communion, and there is room for
everyone.
There is room for everyone. There is room for all
who come.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 21:33-46

Pew Bible, page 803

The Gospel of the Lord! /Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David Shelor

***Hymn 510 – “We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name”**

The Lord's Supper

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Invitation to The Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you./**And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts./**We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Prayers of the People & 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 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.

Action

for God's love, justice, and peace in creation, in others and in ourselves.

Call - *To creation, to others, to self*

We invite you to consider all the ways you are called to serve.
Your generosity helps build God's beloved community and change lives.

Prayer of Dedication Please pray with me:

Generous God, we have received so much from you in Christ and in creation. Bless the gifts we offer so that they will speak of your love for the world in all its detail and diversity. May our gifts touch the need around us in the name of Christ who makes us one. Amen.

***Hymn 682 – “It Is Good to Sing Your Praises”**

***Benediction & Sharing Peace**

***Postlude**

***Again, welcome, All! It is good to be together!
You are invited to share in a time of fellowship in Hager Hall.***

***Hearing assistance devices and large print hymnals are available.
An usher would be glad to help you.***

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