

# The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022  
*“Summer Fruit”*



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\*Please stand if comfortably able  
and respond with words in **bold** print  
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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: **“Open Our Eyes with Be Thou My Vision”**

Mark Hayes

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Let us gather in spirit and truth to worship the Holy One!

**We come as green olive trees, fragrant with life and vibrancy.**

Let us praise the God who reveals, questions, and listens.

**We come as green olive trees, ripe with possibilities.**

Let us give thanks for God’s abiding and faithful love.

**We come as green olive trees, proclaiming the goodness of God and creation.**

### **\*INVOCATION:**

**\*OPENING HYMN: NCH 163**

**“Many Are the Light Beams”**

### **\*UNISON PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE**

**Creator, we seek the transformative power of your grace that chastens, convicts, and challenges us to change. Make us new in the pruning of bitterness and resentment, jealousy and comparison, apathy**

and indifference. Liberally water us in grace that we would bear fruit. Amen.

**\*WORDS OF GRACE:**

**\*GLORIA:**

Glory to the Creator,  
and the Christ and the Spirit so near.  
As it was from the start so it shall be forever,  
One God always here.

(Repeat two more times.)

(end) One God always here. One God always here.

**FIRST TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Amos 8:1-12**

**PSALM RESPONSE: Psalm 52 Page 658 in the back of the Hymnal.**

**EPISTLE READING: Colossians 1:15-28**

**GOSPEL TEACHING: Luke 10:38-42**

This is the word of God. It is true and can be trusted.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.

**MESSAGE: "Who is correct?"**

**HYMN: NCH 457 "Jesus, I Live to You"**

**PASTORAL PRAYER:** Beginning with a time for silent, personal prayer.

**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.

**PRAYER RESPONSE: NCH 769**

Hear our prayer, O God, Hear our prayer, O God.  
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

**INVITATION TO GENEROSITY:**

**OFFERTORY: NCH 609**

**"Now Is the Time Approaching"**

**\*DOXOLOGY:**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND  
THANKSGIVING:**

**Alpha and Omega, may these gifts meet the needs  
before us, the community around us, and the call  
within us. Amen.**

**BENEDICTION:**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE:**

**“Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

**POSTLUDE: “Holy Ground” Geron Davis**

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**CONDOLENCES** to the family and  
friends of Leah Horner.



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