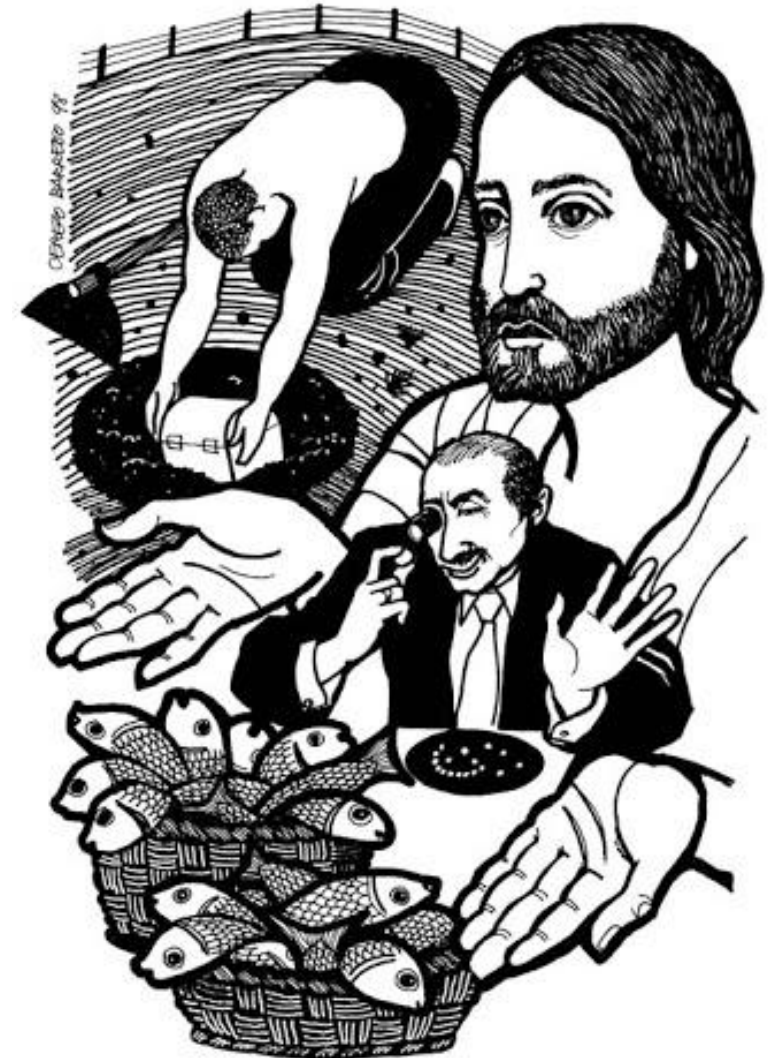


Pray for: all impacted by COVID19; family/friends of Alice Widick; Adra Ann Goettsch; Jan Malmstrom (open heart surgery); the Stanley family; Trendi Moss; Nikola Jans (baby w/heart problems); Marj Nass; Garry Staley; Tom Rittscher; Marcy Maass; a young stroke victim; Linda (cancer); Don Bottorff; Dr. Sahai; Hannah Brandt (teen cancer warrior); Bradley (chemo); Steve Butler; Jennifer Van Diest; Anita Gaul; Kyzer Stanley; Sherry Lambi; Tim & Caroline Bailey family in Romania **Please keep us updated with your prayer requests—Thanks!**

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: We are in Your presence, God, whenever two or three are gathered in Your name, even electronically!

People: God calling to us as we worship!

Leader: We long to hear from You in worship this day, and desire to live for You, O Lord!

People: Plant the desire in our hearts, minds, souls, and lives to live as You call us to live as we worship!

Gathering Hymn #124 (UMH) *Seek the Lord*

Community Prayer Creator God of Trees and Birds, of Pearls and Fish, of Waiting and Rising Up; Open our hearts that we would be present to You in our worship this day. You are the One Who calls us to build the Kingdom with You, in Jesus' name. You are the One Who asks that we follow You in to what You have dreamed for all people. You are the One Who keeps establishing new and growing borders of Your Kingdom, embracing the forgotten and those who dwell on the edges. Forgive us when we see things expanding, or changing, and when we dig in our heels when You are doing things that surprise us and take us off-guard. Forgive us when we neglect to embrace those You have placed in our midst with our choice of actions, attitudes, and words. Forgive us when we negate them, or even harm them, with the way we choose to live our lives. Continue to grow us into the people You created us to be, as You grow others to be who You created them to be. May we know Your claim on our lives to love others as we love ourselves, and treat others as we would be treated. You have planted the love of Jesus in our hearts and lives, You have risen us up that we may live out Your Kingdom with all others in our midst. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we

pray all this to You, O God, in the name of our Sovereign Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen!

Scripture of God's Providence Psalm 105: 1-9, 45b

Hymn of Reflection #405 (UMH) *Seek Ye First*

Children's Time Jennifer Sullivan, Christian Formation Director

Anthem

Scripture of God's Nurture Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Sermon *Developing Images, Developing Reality*

The Lord's Prayer

Giving of Ourselves

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Hymn #2241 (TFWS) *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve*

Benediction