# RED HOOK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## Pastor Stephen Ernst



Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

## **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 2, 2020, Year A 10:30 am

PRELUDE: Here I Am Lord; D. Schutte, Julianna O'Leary

PARTICIPANTS: Dave Moore, Pastor Nan Ernst and Julianna O'Leary

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all who are weary.

Christ strengthens us with love and grace.

In this strength, we can do all things.

We are here, ready to receive God's blessings.

#### OPENING PRAYER

Mighty God, pour out your power and strength on us. Grant us the nourishment we need to receive your word. May your presence fill our lives and carry us forth, preparing us to be your people and equipping us to do your work in the world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen. †

OPENING HYMN: Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior verse 1 UMH 351

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Pay attention, for in God's word, we may discover an unexpected blessing; we may find nourishment for our souls. †

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 9:1-5 New Testament 159

\*GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:13-21 New Testament 16

After reading:

L: The Word of God for the people of God **P: Thanks be to God.** 

SERMON: How or Why? Pastor Steve

SONG: On the Turning Away; Pink Floyd, Pastor Steve

#### PRAYER OF YEARNING AND ASSURANCE:

Come to us, Holy One, even in our times of resistance. Work within and through us, even in our darkest hours. Bless us and call us by name, even when we reject your presence. Hold us and love us, even when we try to run away. When we feel beat down by the world, and are weary with fatigue and sorrow, nourish us with your mercy and your grace. Fill us with your love, that we may go forth with confidence and faith. In your mighty name, we pray. Amen. †

(Time of silence)

God's strength is enough. Christ's forgiveness is sure. Through God's strength and Christ's grace, we are blessed, loved, and made whole. †

SONG: Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior verse 2 UMH 351

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING: Whatever our gift...a loaf of bread, a tiny coin, a mighty blessing, or an amazing talent...each gift matters. Whatever our gifts are, they become miracles when we share them with God and with God's people.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Holy Spirit, as you blessed Jacob long ago, bless us now. As you blessed the bread and fish on a Galilean shore, bless and transform these gifts into abundant blessings for those in need; bless and guide our ministries into avenues for your mercy and grace. In your blessed name, we pray. Amen. †

HYMN: Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior verse 4 UMH 351

**BENEDICTION:** 

As we have received light, We go now to bring light to the world. As we have received God's blessings, We go now to be blessings to others.

\*POSTLUDE: With Trumpets and Horns; G.F. Handel, Julianna O'Leary

Food Pantry: Sundays, 12:00-2 pm

Pastor Steve is available for pastoral care visits, meeting at the church, homes, or other locations. Please feel free to call or email

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### PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Our Pastor and Our Entire Congregation.
All of the NYAC staff and Cabinet.
Our Ministry and Churches around the World.
The Sick and those who continue to care for them.
Those who give their lives for our Country and who protect us every day.
All people, animals, and communities of the world as God created them.

#### THOSE OF SPECIAL CONCERN AT THIS TIME:

Gail Bamford, John Bamford, Donna Marie Blanche, Jean Bleibtrey, Carol Boeck, Ken Bonal, Fred Brammer and family, Brian (volunteer in food pantry), Pete Buhler, Gabriella and Gavin Butz, Lorraine DeCarolis, Terri & John Doyle, Tracie Dedrick, Deborah Dunkle, Kay Egan, Nan Ernst, Beth Finn, Kay George, Pastor Paul and Gloria Gingrich, Melissa and Myriam Godwin, Mike Goodrich, Irene Harrison, David Heller, Haley Hines, Donald Hunt, Ron Jones, Phyllis Keeler, Nicole Lewellyn, Kathy Lunger, Maria Martins, Julien: pray for sweet sleep, Sofia Anna Morgan, 15 yr. old, autistic and diagnosed with schizophrenia, Cynthia Morrison and her sister Cathy, David Muller, Caleb & Grady Nelson, Carl Pack, Annalise Padley, Pine Haven Rehabilitation Center, The family of Eric Ramsey on his passing, Gene R. for continued healing, The Resnick family, Joyce Riffenburg, Randall Stewart, Kathy Stoppenbach, Diane Tanzosch, Tom Tierney and family on the passing of his wife Linda Tierney, Nancy Titus, Reverend Eric Titus, Skip Tremper, Ruth VanVliet, Taylor Van Voorhis, Tony and Charlotte Vellake, Mary Lou Williams, and Louise, Susie, Mary Beth, Bill and Rich

IN CHRIST'S NAME, WE PRAY.

AMEN.

