



**First United Methodist Church of Carson City**  
**September 19, 2021 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Reverend Maggie McNaught  
9:00 Lay Reader: Sue Linn  
11:00 Lay Reader: Coco Crum  
Chancel Choir Director: Judy Monson  
Pianist: Katie Cardoza  
Organist: Nancy Cardoza  
11:00 AV Volunteer: Dave Mason

Welcome to First United Church. We are so glad to have you join us for worship today. If you are joining us online, we would love to meet you. Our Online Host will be joining the online service to chat, answer questions, and send any praises/prayer requests to Rev. Maggie for our praise/prayer time. If you are unable to use the YouTube chat, you can text our Praise/Prayer line, 775-400-2912. Go to [www.carsoncitymethodist.com](http://www.carsoncitymethodist.com) to learn more about our community and connect!

**Order of Worship**

**Choral Introit** *I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me*

**Welcome, & Passing of the Peace**

**Opening Hymn** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

**An Ancient Word**

*Isaiah 24:1-13 and John 6:8-15, The Message*

**Choral Anthem** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

**Witness to the Word** *Seasons of Creation: Waste Not, Want Not*

**Hymn** *For the Fruits of This Creation*

**Prayers, Praises & Pastoral Prayer**

**Action Steps**

**Closing Hymn** *Fairest Lord Jesus*

**Blessing**

**Choral Benediction** *May God Bless and Keep You*

**Postlude**

1 Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore You, God of glo-ry,  
 2 All Your works with joy sur-round You, Earth and heav'n re-  
 3 Al-ways giv-ing and for-giv-ing, Ev-er bless-ing,  
 4 Mor-tals join the mighty cho-rus, Which the morn-ing

Lord of love; Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore You,  
 flect Your rays, Stars and an-gels sing a-round You,  
 ev-er blest, Well-spring of the joy of liv-ing,  
 stars be-gan; God's own love is reign-ing o'er us,

O-p'ning to the sun a-bove. Melt the clouds of  
 Cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise; Field and for-est,  
 O-cean depth of hap-py rest! Lov-ing Fa-ther,  
 Join-ing peo-ple hand in hand. Ev-er sing-ing,

sin and sad-ness; Drive the dark of  
 vale and moun-tain, Flow-ry mead-ow,  
 Christ our Broth-er, Let Your light up-  
 march we on-ward, Vic-tors in the

doubt a-way; Giv-er of im-  
 flash-ing sea, Chant-ing bird and  
 on us shine; Teach us how to  
 midst of strife; Joy-ful mu-sic

mor-tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day!  
 flow-ing foun-tain, Prais-ing You e-ter-nal-ly!  
 love each oth-er, Lift us to the joy di-vine.  
 leads us sun-ward In the tri-umph song of life.

African American Heritage Hymnal 120

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1933, alt.

Tune: HYMN TO JOY, 8 7 8 7 D; arr. from Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, by Edward Hodges, 1796-1867

1. Fair-est Lord Je-sus, rul-er of all na-ture,  
 2. Fair are the mead-ows, fair-er still the wood-lands,  
 3. Fair is the sun-shine, fair-er still the moon-light,  
 4. Beau-ti-ful Sav-ior! Lord of all the na-tions!

O thou of God and man the Son,  
 robed in the bloom-ing garb of spring:  
 and all the twink-ling star-ry host:  
 Son of God and Son of Man!

thee will I cher-ish, thee will I  
 Je-sus is fair-er, Je-sus is  
 Je-sus shines bright-er, Je-sus shines  
 Glo-ry and hon-or, praise, ad-o-

hon-or, thou, my soul's glo-ry, joy, and crown.  
 pur-er, who makes the woe-ful heart to sing.  
 pur-er than all the an-gels heaven can boast.  
 ra-tion, now and for-ev-er-more be thine.

United Methodist Hymnal 189

WORDS: Minister (anonymous), 1877; text: Joseph August Stein, 1873

MUSIC (ST. ELIZABETH 568.5585) Schönlank's Volkslieder, 1842; arr. by Richard Storrs Willis, 1850

## For the Fruit of All Creation

1. For the fruit of all cre-a-tion, Thanks be to God.  
 2. In the just re-ward of la-bor, God's will is done.  
 3. For the har-vests of the Spir-it, Thanks be to God.

For good gifts to ev-'ry na-tion, Thanks be to  
 In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is  
 For the good we all in-her-it, Thanks be to

God. For the plow-ing, sow-ing, reap-ing,  
 done. In our world-wide task of car-ing  
 God. For the won-ders that a-stound us,

Si-lent growth while we are sleep-ing, Fu-ture needs in  
 For the hun-gry and de-spair-ing, In the har-vests  
 For the truths that still con-found us, Most of all, that

earth's safe-keep-ing, Thanks be to God.  
 we are shar-ing, God's will is done.  
 love has found us, Thanks be to God.

This tune in a higher key, No. 218

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**Questions for Reflection**  
**Alone, with a Friend, or in a Small Group**  
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1. When you hear the word “waste” what images come to mind or what do you think about?
2. Why is waste a Christian concern?
3. Read Isaiah 24:1-13, The Message and John 6:8-15, The Message
  - a. What is one thought or idea from these scriptures especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenge, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?
  - b. The images in Isaiah are really stark, what is your reaction to that?
  - c. Why do you think the Isaiah passage is in the Bible?
  - d. How does waste violate what Isaiah calls the sacred and eternal covenant with God?
  - e. How is waste a sacrilege?
  - f. What stands out to you in the John passage?
  - g. Name all the benefits of sharing that you can think of.
  - h. How can sharing help us eliminate waste—be creative?
4. Check out the list of websites dealing with the elimination of waste.
  - a. What are some of the ideas you would like to try? You encouraged to try some of these for six-months at a time.
5. John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, believed that we could follow all of Jesus’ teachings if we remembered these three simple rules:
  - a. Do No Harm
  - b. Do all the good you can
  - c. Stay in love with God
    - i. How have you practiced living by these rules in the last week?

**Resources to Reduce Waste**

1. <https://www.nature.org/en-us/about-us/where-we-work/united-states/delaware/stories-in-delaware/delaware-eight-ways-to-reduce-waste/>
2. [https://ampleharvest.org/top-5-tips-reducing-food-waste/?gclid=CjwKCAjw8cCGBhB6EiwAgORey1-xi5T8T6QroT2ymj35kvgCXldQqQUWg1pkOJsgMjmQ\\_drM1XmCQxoCTDIQAvD\\_BwE](https://ampleharvest.org/top-5-tips-reducing-food-waste/?gclid=CjwKCAjw8cCGBhB6EiwAgORey1-xi5T8T6QroT2ymj35kvgCXldQqQUWg1pkOJsgMjmQ_drM1XmCQxoCTDIQAvD_BwE)
3. <https://www.madeleineolivia.co.uk/blog/30-ways-to-reduce-your-waste>
4. <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/reducing-waste-what-you-can-do>
5. <https://www.todaysparent.com/family/family-life/ways-to-reduce-waste-at-home-even-if-you-are-exhausted/>
6. <https://www.boyanslat.com/--> Check out more on Boyan Slat—story told during sermon