

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
October 6, 2013

World Communion Sunday

Those who are able may stand where marked (*).

Worship Planner: Carol Ann Blake

Gathering Music #138 "Holy Ground"

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer *Deacon–Ann Craxton*

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Call to Worship

One: All people spread across the Earth
sing to our God with awesome mirth;

**All: serve in the Light with hand and voice;
come now with us, learn to rejoice.**

One: O sense the Mind behind the World:
see the great Maker's flag unfurled.

**All: We are the flock God wants to feed;
but others also are in need.**

One: Let's enter then the Sphere of Grace,
and learn to serve God all our days,

**All: in deeds and words, in works and ways:
through trials learn to dance in praise!**

Gordon Piesse, Aotearoa, New Zealand

***Sung Confession:** Hymn #657 "Cleanse Me" *Maori*

* Assurance of Pardon, Gloria Patri #813

* Statement of Faith *Canadian*

Anthem "Siyahamba" *Zulu*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration (please fill out a blue card)
Pastoral Prayer and Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

*Doxology #815 and Offertory Prayer

Scripture: Luke 17:5-10

Sermon: "beyond belief"

*Hymn: #392 "Holy Spirit, Light Divine"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (*see insert*)
with Santo, Santo, Santo *Mexican*

*Hymn: #586 "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"
African American

*Benediction

Response: "Halle, halle, halle, lujah!" *Caribbean*

*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude

*(We gather at the Table of Blessing today with sisters and brothers
all over the world; so we've brought together music and language
from many cultures. Just look at how wonderfully rich and diverse
the Body of Christ has become!)*