

**Second Sunday after Pentecost  
June 11, 2023**

**Gathering**  
*God invites us to enter His presence*

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Preparation for Worship** (*Time for Silent Preparation*)

 **Call to Worship** (*Responsively*)

*Susan Obenschain*

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.  
**Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**  
Know that the LORD is God.  
It is he who made us and we are his;  
**we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.  
**For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

 **Invocation**

*Susan Obenschain*

Loving God, we have gathered to meet you.  
We have come to listen to you,  
to seek you, to worship you.  
You are the beginning of all things,  
the life of all things; you knew us before we were born.  
In you we become; in you we live.  
Loving God, you are here and everywhere,  
around us and within us; you know our inmost thoughts.  
In you we hope; in you we live.  
You are the source of serenity,  
giving peace that is beyond our understanding.  
In you we are still; in you we live.  
Loving God, we live in you; we worship you.  
Loving God, you live in us; we worship you. **Amen.**

 **Hymn 277**

*The Church's One Foundation*

**Confessing**  
***God invites us to be honest with Him***

**Call to Confession**

*Susan Obenschain*

God's Word assures us:  
If we say that we have no sin,  
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
If we confess our sins,  
he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

**Prayer of Confession** (*Responsively*)

*Susan Obenschain*

Merciful God,  
you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.  
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.  
We have not loved you with a pure heart,  
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
We have not done justice, loved kindness,  
or walked humbly with you, our God.  
Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.  
in your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.  
**Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within us.**  
**Do not cast us from your presence,  
or take your Holy Spirit from us.**  
**Restore to us the joy of your salvation  
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**Time for Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

*Susan Obenschain*

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him  
may not perish but may have eternal life.  
Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world  
to condemn the world,  
but in order that the world might be saved through him."

*Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord*

**All:       *Thanks be to God!***



*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost:  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be, world without end.  
A-men, A-men.*

## Offering

***Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him***

**Invitation** Do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

## Offering

**Offertory**      *Shout to the Lord*      *Zschech*  
                          *Greg Maurer*



*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.*



Gracious God, everything we have comes from you. You fill us with good things. Our hearts and lives overflow with your abundance. With thanksgiving, we bring to you our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts that you have given us to feed others as we have been fed, to serve others as we have been served, and to bless others as we have been blessed, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**



Verse 1  
Before the throne of God above,  
I have a strong and perfect plea:  
A great High Priest, whose name is Love,  
whoever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart,  
I know that while in heav'n He stands,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart,  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

**Verse 2**

*When Satan tempts me to despair  
and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
my sinful soul is counted free,  
For God the Just is satisfied  
to look on Him and pardon me,  
to look on Him and pardon me.*

**Verse 3**

*Behold Him there, the risen Lamb,  
my perfect, spotless righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I Am,  
the King of glory and of grace.  
One in Himself, I cannot die,  
my soul is purchased by His blood.  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
with Christ my Savior and my God,  
with Christ my Savior and my God.*

**Proclaiming  
God speaks to us through His Word**

**Children's Sermon**

*The Gospel in a Nutshell*

*Dan Baker*

**Scripture Reading**

*1 John 5:5-13*

<sup>5</sup> Who is the one who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? <sup>6</sup> Jesus Christ—he is the one who came by water and blood, not by water only, but by water and by blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup> For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup> the Spirit, the water, and the blood—and these three are in agreement. <sup>9</sup> If we accept human testimony, God's testimony is greater, because it is God's testimony that he has given about his Son. <sup>10</sup> The one who believes in the Son of God has this testimony within himself. The one who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony God has given about his Son. <sup>11</sup> And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup> The one who has the Son has life. The one who does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup> I have written these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

**Sermon**

*"The One who has the Son has Life!"*

*Rev. Tim Latham*

**Responding**  
***We respond to God's Word***

 **Profession of Faith** *(Romans 8) (In Unison)*

We believe there is no condemnation  
for those who are in Christ Jesus;  
for we know that all things work together for good  
for those who love God,  
who are called according to God's purpose.  
We are convinced that neither death, nor life,  
nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Prayers of the People**

**Commissioning**  
***God sends us out into the world as His witnesses***

 **Praise Song** *In Christ Alone*

*In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all,  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.*

*In Christ alone—who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross, as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on Him was laid.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.*

*There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,*

*For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no schemes of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!*

 **Benediction & Blessing**

*This morning's Prayer Partners are  
Barb Finch, Dan Obenschain*

 **Postlude**