

Jeremiah 20:7-13 ESV

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." ¹¹But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.


Romans 5:1-5 ESV

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does

not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Matthew 10:5a, 21-33 ESV

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them... ²¹Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. ²⁴"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. ²⁶"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.



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June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost

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✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

The troubles we endure all find their root cause in sin and in the life we lost through Adam. We have returned here today with the expectation of faith that, through the forgiveness of our sin, God will restore our life. But so much stronger than sin and death is the resurrection life of Christ that we discover the abundant and eternal life is so much more than we expected. The life of faith overflows with Christ's gifts.

ORDER OF SERVICE Divine Services Setting Four	203
OPENING HYMN " <i>Christ is Our Cornerstone</i> "	912
SERMON HYMN " <i>God Moves in a Mysterious Way</i> "	765
SERMON	Romans 5:3-4
DISTRIBUTION HYMNS " <i>Rock of Ages</i> "	761
" <i>Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray</i> "	623
CLOSING HYMN " <i>Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise</i> "	917

Pastor	Daniel Wonderly
Organist	Carolyn Laurenz
Elders	Dale Rohde and Paul Bohn
A/V	Danny Neuenfeldt
Ushers	Jerry Neuenfeldt and Mike Hingston
Altar Guild	Connie Richardson and Chris Farrar

Our Measure of Love and Gifts

Attendance last week – 69 Needed for *The Lord's Work at Zion* \$4,729 ~ Received for the *Lord's Work* \$2,242; Capital Projects \$80; God's Helping Hands \$120 (\$100 in memory of Marsha Pretzer), \$100 in memory of Marsha Pretzer.

Please pray for your fellow Christians on their birthday: June 21- Greg Gilbert; June 24- Chase Beyersdorf, James Byron, Bob Eggebrecht; June 25- Lori Kade, Ethan Neuenfeldt, Susan Valliere, Charity Wood; June 26- Jim Rowe; June 27- Rodney Laurenz, Tracy Mallek.

Please join us in welcoming Vicar Ron Zuccaro as he is installed on Sunday, July 5. He and his wife, Kathy, will be arriving at the parsonage June 25 and plan to worship with us on the 28th. A light luncheon will follow the installation service on July 5.

Puzzle!

A Father's Love

Directions: Match the biblical children to their father, using the clues by the father's name. Then write the corresponding letter on the lines to complete the Bible verse below.

Shem, Ham & Japheth = M	John the Baptist = N
Solomon = O	Jacob & Esau = A
Jonathan = I	Cain, Abel & Seth = O
Jesus = C	Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar,
Rachel & Leah = S	Zebulun, Joseph, Benjamin, Dan, Gad,
Isaac & Ishmael = P	Naphtali, Asher & Dinah = S

God:	"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."	_____
Adam:	God gave him another son because the older killed the younger.	_____
Noah:	His sons were blessed and told to multiply and replenish the earth.	_____
Abraham:	God promised he would be a father of many nations. The Jews and Arabs descend from those two sons.	_____
Isaac:	His older son sold his birthright, and his younger son tricked Isaac and received the blessings for the firstborn.	_____
Laban:	He had two daughters; the older was tender-eyed and the younger was very beautiful. Both married Jacob.	_____
Jacob:	Two wives and two handmaids gave him 12 sons and a daughter.	_____
Saul:	His son was David's best friend.	_____
David:	He had many children, but one was known for his wisdom, for having many wives and for building God's temple.	_____
Zechariah:	His son, a cousin of Jesus, was born to be a messenger of repentance.	_____

As a father has _____
 on his children, so the LORD has
 _____ on those who
 fear him. *Psalm 103:13, NIV*

