

For Young
Worshippers: Since
God cares for little
birds, don't you
know that God
cares for you? You
are more valuable
than many birds.



So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Service for the Lord's Day

June 21, 2020

Third Sunday After Pentecost

Gathering Around the Word

Gathering Music

Striking of the Hour

Welcome

Prelude

Fanfare and Chorale on Hymn Tune REPTON
"How clear is our vocation, Lord"

Robert Hobby

All Who Are Comfortable Doing So, May Stand

Opening Sentences

Gladden the soul of your servant, O Lord, for to you we lift up our souls.

In days of trouble, we call on you, and you hear us.

You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

You are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Psalms 86

The Opening Hymn was one of the hymns selected by the congregation as “Favorite Hymns.”

Hymn 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
First and Last Verses

NETTLETON

*Come thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!*

*Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession
Merciful God, forgive us for the mistakes we make, the deceptions we practice, the upsets we enlarge, the angers we hold, the errors we multiply, the unkindness we show, and the evils we cultivate. We confess that we do not have an answer for our own sinfulness. So, now we come to you, asking that your goodness and love may fall to us and rescue us, in the name of Christ the Savior, Amen.

A Silence is observed for Personal Confession

Hymn

*Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

KYRIE

Declaration of Good News

Gloria Patri
*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. Amen, Amen.*

Time with Young Disciples

Hearing the Word
All Sit

Prayer for Illumination

The Psalter (Responsive)

Psalm 86

The Message Paraphrase

Bend an ear, GOD; answer me. I'm one miserable wretch!
Keep me safe—haven't I lived a good life? Help your servant—I'm depending on you!
You're my God; have mercy on me. I count on you from morning to night.
Give your servant a happy life; I put myself in your hands!
You're well-known as good and forgiving, bighearted to all who ask for help.
Pay attention, GOD, to my prayer; bend down and listen to my cry for help.
Every time I'm in trouble I call on you, confident that you'll answer.
There's no one quite like you among the gods, O Lord, and nothing to compare with your works.
All the nations you made are on their way, ready to give honor to you, O Lord,
Ready to put your beauty on display, parading your greatness,
And the great things you do— God, you're the one, there's no one but you!
Train me, GOD, to walk straight; then I'll follow your true path.
Put me together, one heart and mind; then, undivided, I'll worship in joyful fear.
From the bottom of my heart I thank you, dear Lord; I've never kept secret what you're up to.
You've always been great toward me—what love! You snatched me from the brink of disaster!

(continued)

Compare the way this psalm asks for God's help with your own prayers to God. Similarities? Does the Psalmist seem to have a close relationship to God?

In any
circumstance, no
matter how dire,
those who trust in
God need have no
fear.

God, these bullies have reared their heads!

A gang of thugs is after me— and they don't care a thing about you.

But you, O God, are both tender and kind, not easily angered, immense in love, and you never, never quit. So look me in the eye and show kindness, give your servant the strength to go on, save your dear, dear child!

Make a show of how much you love me so the bullies who hate me will stand there slack-jawed,
As you, GOD, gently and powerfully put me back on my feet!

Anthem

Christ, the Glory J. F. Lallouette/ed. Richard Proulx
DiDi Turley, mezzo-soprano Sam Tuggle, baritone

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:26-31

Have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. 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. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Sermon

Have No Fear!

Matthew Covington

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 410

God Is Calling through the Whisper
All Verses

W ZLOBIE LEZY

*God is calling through the whisper of the Spirit's deepest sighs,
through the thrill of sudden beauties that can catch us by surprise.
Flash of lightning, crash of thunder; hush of stillness, rush of wonder:
God is calling – can you hear? God is calling – can you hear?*

*God is calling through the voices of our neighbors' urgent prayers,
through their longing for redemption and for rescue from despair.
Place of hurt or face of needing; strident cry or silent pleading:
God is calling – can you hear? God is calling – can you hear?*

*God is calling through the music of sublime and human arts,
through the hymns of earth and angels, and the carols of our hearts.
Lift of joy and gift of singing; days and nights our praises bringing:
God is calling – and we hear! God is calling – and we hear!*

Affirmation of Faith

A Declaration of Faith (10.2)

All things will be renewed in Christ.

In Christ God gave us a glimpse of the new creation he has already begun and will surely finish. We do not know when the final day will come. In our time we see only broken and scattered signs that the renewal of all things is under way. We do not yet see the end of cruelty and suffering in the world, the church, or our own lives. But we see Jesus as Lord. As he stands at the center of our history, we are confident he will stand at its end. He will judge all people and nations. Evil will be condemned and rooted out of God's good creation. There will be no more tears or pain. All things will be made new. The fellowship of human beings with God and each other will be perfected.

The Westminster Catechism teaches that “Our chief end is to glorify God and enjoy God forever.”

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer. To be offered by: Anthea Dunn
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. **Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Anthem *Thanks Be to God* Christoph von Gluck
Autumn Stolle, soprano Eric Bigler, baritone

Invitation to Stewardship

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

Closing Hymn 468 *In My Life* LORD, BE GLORIFIED
In my life Lord be glorified, be glorified. In my life Lord, be glorified today.
In your church Lord be glorified, be glorified. In your church Lord, be glorified today.
In your world, Lord be glorified, be glorified. In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

Benediction

Postlude *Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds* FOREST GREEN

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www.bgpres.org

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DiDi Turley, alto; Sam Tuggle, tenor; Eric Bigler, bass

LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAY, June 28: Genesis 22:1–14;
Psalm 13; Romans 6:12–23; Matthew 10:40–42.

TODAY:

DEACONS OF THE WEEK this week are Ray Elms and Sally Calkins. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

ROUND TABLE PULPIT is meeting via Zoom, each Monday at 5:00pm. Contact the office for the information to log in.

A WALKING SMALL GROUP has begun and you are invited to join. Karen Watson is leading a walking group at Griffin Park starting The group will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 10:00am, weather permitting, for some devotion time and then walking. Enter where the park office is and meet at the shelter- you need a mask. Wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes. Text or email Karen to let her know you want to join this group. Karen's phone number: 270-991-5673. Karen's email address: mail@kgwatson.com Even though the group will be meeting, physical distancing is still needed, so we can be safe together!

NEED TO MEET? If your group (PW circle, committee/ministry) needs to meet, contact the office to get a zoom date. Meetings cannot overlap, so please call the office to get scheduled.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins TODAY! The video link will be posted to YouTube and the link emailed to all families. You are free to watch at your convenience. **WE WANT YOUR PICTURES AND VIDEOS OF YOUR FAMILY AS YOU PARTICIPATE!** Email Leslee or David.

COMING UP:

JOIN GLENN KIRKCONNELL FOR A NEW STUDY! Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm, Glenn is leading discussion on the Great Courses study The City of God. This series will examine the seminal work by St. Augustine and provide rich discussion material. St. Augustine (5th century AD) was a key theologian who is important to know. FREE streaming of the video is available through the Warren County Library - sign into your account and watch each episode, then join the conversation each Wednesday. Questions? Email Leslee Kirkconnell.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY will meet via Zoom tomorrow, Monday June 22, 7:00pm. The Zoom link will be sent by noon tomorrow.

OTHER NEWS:

MASKS Hopefully you aren't going out much, but when you do, you need a mask! We have folk in our congregation making cloth masks, so email us. Masks need to be part of our daily wear for many months yet. And when we do decide it is safe enough for some to come back to the church to worship, masks will be required!

Calendar

Sunday, June 21

8:30 a.m. Shalom/Fellowship (Zoom)

10:30 a.m. Worship

Livestream only

Monday, June 22

5:00 p.m. Round Table Pulpit (Zoom)

Tuesday, June 23

2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday, June 24

7:00 p.m. City of God (Zoom)