

June 14, 2020- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME:

OPENING SENTENCES: (based on Psalm 33)

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

*Sing to the Lord a new song;*

For the word of the Lord is upright, and all His work is done in faithfulness.

*The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.*

PRAYER:

HYMN:

“The Church’s One Foundation”

*1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word: from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.*

*2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.*

*3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.*

*4 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.*

*5 Yet she on earth hath union with the God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.*

CALLED INTO CONFESSION:

CONFESSION AND PARDON

*God of Promise, you called Abraham and Matthew and gave them the strength they needed to follow you. You also called a people and cared for and nurtured that people so that they could live life in your abundant life.*

*You also call us, but sometimes we prefer to close our eyes and cover our ears, turning our backs to your will, and forgoing Your promise of abundant presence with us and for the world. Forgive us, O God, and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need to follow when you call. Amen.*

SILENCE:

The Apostle Paul writes to the church in Rome that Jesus was delivered to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

*God has poured out love upon us, and we have received forgiveness for our sins.*

In Jesus Christ our sins were buried and we are made new in His resurrection.

*We can now live in peace! Alleluia! Amen!*

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Glory Be To The Father"

*Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

*Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

*By your Word, O God, everything was made. Your Word is powerful and can transform the hearts of men and women. Speak to us today, O God. Open our hearts and minds to your renovating Word, and give us guidance and strength. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.*

FIRST READING:

Genesis 12:1-9

12 Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." <sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup>And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup>But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

<sup>18</sup>While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." <sup>19</sup>And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this spread throughout that district.

CHILDREN'S TIME:

MESSAGE:

"God's Promise Takes on Form"

The Rev. David Koehler

AFFIRMING WHAT WE BELIEVE:

"The Apostle's Creed"

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

*God of the Ages, you call us not just to give us the blessing of being called your people, but also to be a blessing for all people on this earth. Give us the wisdom and the courage to be a blessing to this community and to this world. Through these offerings may we be channels of your compassion and healing to others, for the sake of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

INTERCESSIONS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER: (debts and debtors)

HYMN:

“There’s A Wideness In God’s Mercy”

*1 There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea. There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.*

*2 For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind. And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word, and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.*

CLOSING SENTENCES:

The Apostle Paul spoke strongly to the disciples in Rome, not waver in unbelief regarding the promise of God, *but be strengthened by God’s faith and give glory to God,* being fully persuaded that God has the power to do what God promises, every day.

**THIS WEEK’S PRAYER MEMBERS** Fran Graham, Gary & Alice Hacker, Bill & Mary Hall, Brian & Tina Hansen & family, Kathleen Hansen, Keith & Eileen Hansen & family

**THIS WEEK’S BIRTHDAYS** Toots Pittman(6/18)

**THIS WEEK’S ANNIVERSARIES** Dave & Sue LeGree(6/14)