3rd Sunday after Pentecost- Outdoor Evening Worship

June 21, 2020

Please be sure you are socially distancing at all times for others

GATHER- Welcome & Announcements

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen.

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Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives.

We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.

We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.

We sin in thought, word, and deed.

By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God,
by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through + Christ Jesus,
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.
Our sins are forgiven.
Let us live now in hope.
For hope does not disappoint,
because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

Dance With Me

This is holy time
We're gathered together to worship you
and love one another
and as we pray
and as we sing
and as we dance
and as we dream
Lord, I ask of you just this one thing...
Won't you dance with me?
Throughout the heavens and below the seas
Up on the mountaintops
Flow with the breeze
Come, carry me
Lord, won't you dance with me?

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must 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," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him."

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.

¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

- ⁷Surely, for your sake I have suf- | fered reproach, and shame has cov- | ered my face.
- 8I have become a stranger to | my own kindred, an alien to my | mother's children.
- ⁹Zeal for your house has eat- | en me up;

the scorn of those who scorn you has fall- | en upon me.

¹⁰I humbled my- | self with fasting,

but that was turned to | my reproach. R

- [11 put on | sackcloth also,
 - and became a by- | word among them.
 - 12Those who sit at the gate mur- | mur against me, and the drunkards make | songs about me.
 - ¹³But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have | set, O LORD:

"In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your un- | failing help.

¹⁴Save me from the mire; do not | let me sink;

let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of | the deep waters. R

- ¹⁵Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swal- | low me up; do not let the pit shut its | mouth upon me.
- 16Answer me, O LORD, for your | love is kind; in your great compassion, | turn to me.
 - ¹⁷Hide not your face | from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am | in distress.
 - ¹⁸Draw near to me | and redeem me; because of my enemies de- | liver me.

Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the 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 up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do 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? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.



³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON A brief sermon by Barb McDowell and a Children's sermon by Allison Ruble

Bind Us Together

Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken,
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,
Bind us together in love.

There is only one God, There is only one King; There is only one body, That is why I sang

Bind us together, Lord,
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken,
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,
Bind us together in love.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING An offering plate is located at the top of the ramp by the building

PRAYERS Those present are invited to share their requests and praises as we lift our voices to God

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION/SENDING

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. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

Amen.

How Majestic Is Your Name

O Lord, our Lord, How majestic is your name in all the earth. O Lord, our Lord, How majestic is your name in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise Your name,
O Lord, we magnify Your name;
Prince of Peace, Mighty God,
O Lord God Almighty.

Go in peace, serve the Lord

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Presider: Barb McDowell Keyboard: Kathy Hamrick Guitar: Rich Weigand Vocals: Shandra Ice & Susan Smith Sound: Doug Woolley & Dustin Corbitt