

OFFERTORY - "Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor" - Lazarus/Berlin

* DOXOLOGY - "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" - #609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERING

* CLOSING HYMN - "Lift Every Voice and Sing" #339

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE - "Let There Be Peace On Earth"

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, brothers all are we;

Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now;

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow;

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

* POSTLUDE - "Liberty Song" - Dickerson and Boyce



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Order of Worship

4th Sunday of Pentecost

June 25, 2023

At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship.

CHIMES

PRELUDE "Sweet Freedom's Song" - Ritter

GREETING This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - "Praise God, All You Nations" #328

Praise God, all you nations. People of God sing praise!

Praise God, all you nations. People of God sing praise:

God's love is great and endures forever.

Praise God, all you nations. People of God, sing praise!

*CALL TO WORSHIP – (responsively)

Welcome one another in Jesus' name,
for Christ is truly present among us.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
the mercies of God never come to an end.

For freedom Christ has set us free.

Now we live by the Spirit of God

Through the mercy of God, we are free from sin and death

Let us praise God forever and ever!

* OPENING HYMN - "Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory" - #354

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name.

~ Let us take a few minutes for silent reflection ~

* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God

* GLORIA PATRI - “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” - #582

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)

Jesus said to the disciples, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace.)

THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - “Spirit of the Living God Medley” Jeff and Tina Durham

- Spirit of the Living God - #288
- Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary - #701
- In My Life, Lord Be Glorified - #468

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds, that as the scriptures are read and your word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Psalm 146

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE – Galatians 5:1, 13-14

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Let Your Freedom Ring”

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD “The Apostles Creed”

I believe in God the Father Almighty, 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 rose 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.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 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, for ever. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD