

Second Sunday of Pentecost

June 18, 2017

~Gathering the Family of God~

The Peal of the Church Bell

Prelude *Open Our Eyes* Bob Cull

Welcome

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.
All: **And also with you.**

Call to Worship

One: Come, sing praises to God! Rejoice in God's presence!

All: **For we belong to God, the Father of all people,
the defender of all who need protection;
the One in whom we find our true home.**

One: Bless the Lord, the God of our salvation, who sustains and strengthens us day after day! Let us worship God together!

*Hymn *This Is My Father's World* #370

***Call to Confession**

Through our Lord Jesus Christ we have obtained access to the grace in which we stand. With confidence in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

***Confession of Sin (unison)**

Gracious God, you are the Creator of the ends of the earth, and yet you call us your children. Forgive us that we call you "Our Father" but fail to live as your children. We do not trust you as we should, preferring instead to follow our own inclinations. We are reluctant to accept your will, repeatedly disobeying your instructions. We are slow to ask your guidance, but swift to forget you and wander from your side. Gracious God, our Father, we praise and thank you for your undeserved goodness, and we resolve today to live more faithfully as your children.

***Silent Confession**

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

The Lord is like a father to us, compassionate and merciful, filled with endless love. He is not easily angered, nor does he remain angry forever. He doesn't treat us as our sins deserve, or punish us as harshly as he could. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so strong is his love toward us. And as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us. So be at peace: you are forgiven!

*Gloria Patri # 581

**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.**

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*Hymn *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* #263

~Hearing God's Word~

Heifer Project - Recognition of Birthdays and Anniversaries

A Song of Blessing

All: **May joy and peace surround you, contentment at your door,
And happiness be with you now, God bless you evermore.**

(Adapted from An Irish Blessing, Tune: Amazing Grace)

Prayer for Illumination *Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak* #722

First Reading Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7 page 14, 16

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 page 564

One: The Word of the Lord All: **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Romans 5:1-8 page 155

One: The Word of the Lord All: **Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn *I Love to Tell the Story* #462

Gospel Matthew 9:35-10:8-23 page 9, 10

One: The Word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

***Affirmation of Faith (unison)**

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 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. [The Apostles Creed].

*Hymn *How Great Thou Art* #625

~Responding to God's Word~

Invitation to Give

Let us offer the gifts of our lives to the Lord.

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings & Friendship Pad

Please take a moment to sign your name and contact information in the pew pad.

Offertory

My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker

J.C. Bach

***Doxology**

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Amen.*

#606

*** Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Good and holy God, for your steadfast love and faithfulness we give you thanks and bless your name. Let our whole lives become songs of gratitude, joy, and praise so that all the earth may know that we are your people and you are our God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Life in Our Church Community

Prayers of the People and 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, forever. Amen.

*** Closing Hymn**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

#306

***Charge and Benediction**

As you go from here, remember this:

God's love is from everlasting to everlasting, from generation to generation. Just as a father has compassion on his children so God has compassion on those who fear him, who listen to his voice, and who do his will. Go out in the knowledge that the everlasting love of God goes with you. Amen.

***Postlude**

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Johannes Brahms

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