

Today's Worship
July 3, 2022
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

WELCOME Rev. Karen Hoyt

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor and People

L: In the midst of difficult times, we have new life from Christ.

P: When we think that there is no hope, God offers us healing love.

L: Come, let us praise the God of new life.

P: Let us sing and shout for joy.

L: Let us worship the One who is with us forever.

P: Thanks be to God for all God's blessings. AMEN.

MUSIC **Yes, Lord, Yes** All

I'll say "yes, Lord, yes, to your will and to your way
I'll say "yes, Lord yes," I will trust You and obey
When the Spirit speaks to me
With my whole heart I'll agree
And my answer will be "Yes, Lord, yes."

MUSIC **Trust and Obey** All

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word
What a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still
And with all who will trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
Not a grief or a lost, not a frown or a cross
But is blest if we trust and obey

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

But we never can prove the delights of his love
Until all on the altar we lay
For the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet
Or we'll walk by his side in the way
What he says we will do, where he sends we will go
Never fear only trust and obey

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

OPENING PRAYERS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE R. Garry Glenn

The petitions are followed by:

ALL: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER All

Our Father, which 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 forever.

THE WORD Mr. Glenn

SCRIPTURE Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 (NRSV)

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' ⁶ And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

MUSIC **Have Your Way** All

This is my desire to honor You
With my whole heart, I worship You.

Lord I give You my heart
I give You my soul
I live my life for You
Every breath that I take
Every moment I'm awake
Lord, have Your way in me.

With everything that's within me
I give You praise
All that I adore
Is in You.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Hoyt

SERMON **But What Does God Want Me to Do?**

THE EUCHARIST

CONFESSION

ABSOLUTION

THE INVITATION Rev. Tyler Jackson

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Jackson: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Rev. Jackson: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Rev. Jackson: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. Jackson: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. In the beginning your Spirit moved over the face of the waters. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers, anointing them to speak your Word. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit descended upon him and declared him your beloved Son. With your Spirit upon him he turned away the temptations of sin. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time has come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire, as on the Day of Pentecost.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit, your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup. And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood and empowered by the gifts of the Spirit. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to the world, showing forth the fruit of the Spirit until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

MUSIC The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is his new creation, by water and the Word
From heaven he came and sough her, to be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Called forth from every nation yet one o'er all the earth;
Our charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth
One holy name professing and at one table fed
To one hope always pressing by Christ's own Spirit led.

DEPART TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

Rev. Hoyt: Bless us and lift us up, O Lord. As we go from this place, give us courage and strength to witness to your love and power. For we ask it in Jesus' name. AMEN.

All: We go forth to Love Christ, Love People, and Help People Love Christ.



Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given by Lloyd and Florence Smee in observance of Independence Day and in gratitude for our freedom.

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All



Loving Christ Loving People Helping People Love Christ

Welcome! We're Glad You're Here!



We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, filthy rich, dirt poor. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like our pastor who can't carry a note

in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Methodist than Asbury, or haven't been in church since little Joey's Baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters.

We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion;" we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the dog track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts and you!

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