

June 28, 2020 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost (Zoom on-line worship service)

## **VIRTUAL PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**Leader:** The Peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PASTORAL GREETING**

"These Days" daily devotionals for July, August, September are now available in the church office.

The Red Cross will be holding two blood drives at our church in July: July 16, 1:00 – 6:00, and July 24, 10:00 – 4:00.

We are still accepting food donations for the Center of Concern. Items may be dropped off at the church the first two Mondays and Wednesdays of each month, from 9:00 - 2:00.

## **PRELUDE**

*"All' Elevazione"*

Domenico Zipoli

## **RINGING OF THE BELL**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Luke Weber

Come from the fields of your daily labors, return from the journeys that have taken you far from home— come, here is rest and renewal.

We gather, hearts ready to receive God's life-giving Word.

Come to this table, where all find welcome, and this font, where grace overflows— come into the presence of the Living Lord.

We come to praise God— the sender and the sent.

## **HYMN**

*"God Welcomes All"*

Music: South African song; transcr. John L. Bell, 2008

Text: John L. Bell, 2008

*God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God's love is strong, and it never ends.*

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God, you send us as prophets to proclaim your coming reign. You send us out as witnesses to embody your justice, kindness, and mercy. Yet we

shrink from your call to serve as messengers of your kingdom. We cling to safe surroundings and turn from the demands of discipleship.

Forgive us, we pray. Embolden us and send us again as heralds of your good news.

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

### **MEDITATIVE MUSIC**

*"Dialogue per Organo"*

Adriano Bandieri

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Colleen VanAllan

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

### **Psalm 13**

#### **Prayer for Deliverance from Enemies**

To the leader. A Psalm of David.

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for ever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long must I bear pain in my soul,

and have sorrow in my heart all day long?

How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God!

Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,  
and my enemy will say, 'I have prevailed';

my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.

But I trusted in your steadfast love;

my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

I will sing to the Lord,

because he has dealt bountifully with me.

## **Matthew 10: 40-42**

‘Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.’

### **RESPONSE**

Holy wisdom, holy word.  
Thanks be to God.

### **SERMON**

“God Welcomes All”

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER**

### **HYMN**

#### ***“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”***

Music: Sicilian melody, 18<sup>th</sup> century

Text: Attr. John Fawcett, 1773

*Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.  
O, refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.*

*Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel’s joyful sound;  
may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.*

### **CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Go in peace to love the Lord your God with heart and soul and mind and strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself. (Mark 12:29–31)

May the blessing of the Trinity—holy, holy, holy Lord—be with you now and always. Alleluia! (Isaiah 6:3)

**POSTLUDE** *“Presto from Sonata in C Minor”* Giovanni Battista Pescetti