

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer for 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.

Call to Stewardship

All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory

J.J. Daynes

“As the Dew, from Heaven Distilling”

*Congregational Response Hymn 606 *Old Hundredth*
Doxology

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory Prayer

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 610

Azmon

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*Invitation to Discipleship

*Charge and Benediction

We will go to let the Joy of creation lead us into this new day.

We will sing glad choruses of hope to a world in despair.

We go to walk with our Heart's Love beside those whose hearts are broken.

We will touch boastful tongues with peace, we will offer compassion to those frozen with fear.

We will go with your gentle wisdom, Spirit of grace, to walk the streets of the kingdom.

We will bring healing to grudges held far too long, filling those who grieve with the laughter of hope.

*Closing Choral Response

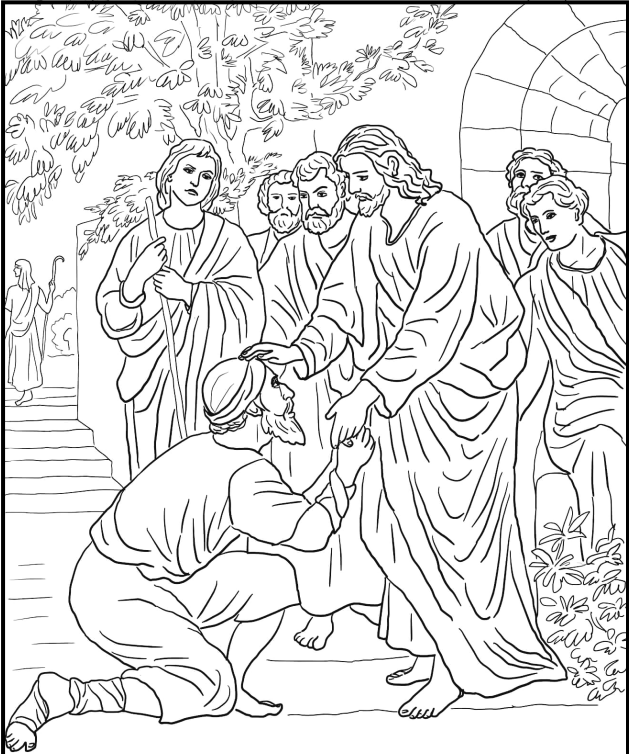
Tallis’ Canon

**Go with us, Lord and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.**

*Closing Voluntary

arr. David Cherwien

“Rejoice in God’s Saints”



*And He could do no deed of
power there, except that He laid
His hands on a few sick people
and cured them.*

Mark 6:5



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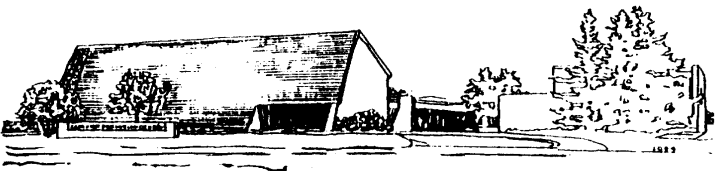
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Today’s service has been adapted from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

July 8, 2018

10:40 A.M.

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

**The congregation is invited to stand as music begins.
Additional worshippers may enter as the congregation sings.*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to God's house of worship. As we light the Christ Candle, we are reminded that Jesus is "the Light of the World" (John 8:12) and of his sustaining presence. With the pouring of the Baptismal Water, we know that we are made clean and given new life by our faith in God. Let us joyously worship our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. *(Please sign the attendance register and pass it along, greeting those near you. Guests, please share your address and telephone number with us.)*

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary arr. Dale Wood
"There Is a Happy Land"

Chimes The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

You awaken the sun, O God, to guide us into the new day:

Your name, O God, like your praise, sings in every person.

You speak your Word, O God, to guide us into your kingdom:

Your hope, O God, like your joy, echoes in every soul.

You guide us to those who are looking for you:

Your love, O God, like your name, fills the emptiness of every heart.

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

**The rumbling of thunder in the distance,
the shade of an oak tree in the back yard, the laughter**

of children splashing in the pool, the stars glittering on a moonless night: all the gifts of the universe fill us with delight in every moment. Great is your imagination, Creation's Joy! Amen.

*Hymn 375

Hanson Place

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

You know how stubborn we can be, Holy God. You call us to serve others, and we stay in the coolness of our own homes. You would send us to where the hopeless live, but we are reluctant to leave the comfort of our complacency. You would feed us on the peace and joy of your word, but we pull our chairs up to the tables of those who serve false promises. Forgive us, Guiding God. Transform our defiance into discipleship, and our rejection of others into the resurrection of welcoming all people as sisters and brothers in Christ. Help us to love as faithfully as You have always loved us, and send us forth to take the good news of Jesus Christ to everyone we meet. Amen.

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness (Responsive)

We open our lips and confess our hearts. God hears our words and make us new, sending us out to bring hope and joy to all the world.

We hear the good news, we believe the good news, we will live out the good news. Thanks be to God. Amen!

*Congregational Response

Hymn 288

Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Assist us, Loving God, to hear these words that they shall be not 'just words sung, read, and said' but words of your clarion call to "do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You". In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Music Ministry

Rusty Crownover & Dave Deison

New Testament Reading

Mark 6:1-13

Pew Bible

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A Reading from the gospel of Mark

Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

Pastor Edie

Sermon Text

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9,10

Pew Bible

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Sermon

The Rev. Edie A. Gause

BEING DIFFERENT

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 472

"Kum Ba Yah"

Kum Ba Yah

*A Brief Statement of Faith (Unison)

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.