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## Eleventh Sunday after **PENTECOST**



*The one with the crumby dog*  
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**August 16, 2020**

**Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...**

*an adventure for life!*

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

*Softly and Tenderly*, arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Hymn

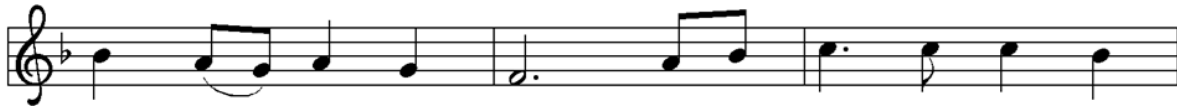
All Are Welcome



2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
strang-er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



claim the faith of Je - sus:  
end to fear and dan - ger: All are wel - come,  
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen

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## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

### First Reading

Genesis 45:1-15 (The Message, alt.)

A reading from the book of Genesis

[Watching his brother, Judah, showing such love for their brother, Benjamin,] Joseph couldn't hold himself in any longer, keeping up a front before all his attendants. He cried out, "Leave! Clear out—everyone leave!" So there was no one with Joseph when he identified himself to his brothers. But his sobbing was so violent that the Egyptians couldn't help but hear him. The news was soon reported to Pharaoh's palace. Joseph spoke to his brothers: "I am Joseph. Is my father really still alive?" But his brothers couldn't say a word. They were speechless—they couldn't believe what they were hearing and seeing.

"Come closer to me," Joseph said to his brothers. They came closer. "I am Joseph your brother whom you sold into Egypt. But don't feel badly, don't blame yourselves for selling me. God was behind it. God sent me here ahead of you to save lives. There has been a famine in the land now for two years; the famine will continue for five more years—neither plowing nor harvesting. God sent me on ahead to pave the way and make sure there was a remnant in the land, to save your lives in an amazing act of deliverance. So you see, it wasn't you who sent me here but God. God set me in place as a parent to Pharaoh, put me in charge of his personal affairs, and made me ruler of all Egypt.

"Hurry back to my father. Tell him, 'Your son Joseph says: I'm master of all of Egypt. Come as fast as you can and join me here. I'll give you a place to live in Goshen where you'll be close to me—you, your children, your grandchildren, your flocks, your herds, and anything else you can think of. I'll take care of you there completely. There are still five more years of famine ahead; I'll make sure all your needs are taken care of, you and everyone connected with you—you won't want for a thing.'

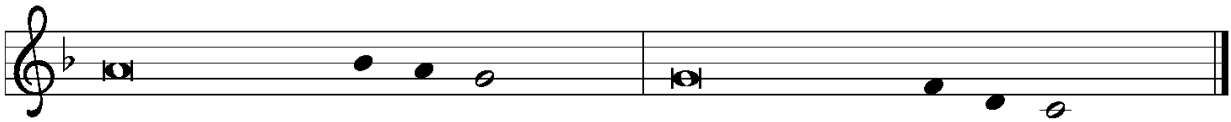
"Look at me. You can see for yourselves, and my brother Benjamin can see for himself, that it's me, my own mouth, telling you all this. Tell my father all about the high position I hold in Egypt, tell him everything you've seen here, but don't take all day—hurry up and get my father down here."

Then Joseph threw himself on his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. He then kissed all his brothers and wept over them. Only then were his brothers able to talk with him.

Word of God, Word of Life

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 133



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How good and how pleas- | ant it is,  
when kindred live togeth- | er in unity!

**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down up- | on the beard,  
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar | of his  
robe.**

It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the | hills of Zion.  
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life for- | evermore.

## Gospel

**Matthew 15:21-28 (NRSV)**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Message

Jill Disbro



## Ministry of Music

### *Tune My Heart to Sing God's Praise*

Choir

Come thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise His Name, I'm fixed upon it, Name of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer: Hither by thy help I've come.  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God  
He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.  
Tune my heart to sing God's praise!

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be:  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I roam. I'm prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

Come thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing call for song of loudest praise.  
Tune my heart to sing Thy Praise.

## Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Community Prayers

Let us pray....

**Amen.**

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Amy DeLorenzo, Linda and Don Williams, Pamela Andrews, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's mother Maryland Belhorn and friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren's brother Walter Hudson and his wife Jan, Bill Boys, Doretha Holland, Dolores Brannigan's husband Dave, Shirley and Jack Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott, Kathleen Zwanziger's brother Mark Zwanziger.

## Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

## Children's Time

Emily Ott

## WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought transformed time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho-  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
 san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge and transform us. God has prepared a room for us: fire to warm our hearts, water to wash our weary feet, the table set and waiting. And now, from beyond time, the breath of the Spirit comes whispering through the fabric of time to call us in. So come ... whether your time is just beginning or many years in the marking; whether your hours are filled and fruitful or wanting and withered; whether you have invested wisely or buried your coins in the ground; for here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine – a place of timeless and timely grace.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement for the time to come. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me" And after supper he took a cup, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as, at this time, we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught us:



## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our time. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened for this time and for time to come.

## Sharing the Meal



## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit, You who mothered creation and enabled Incarnation, continue to form and nurture us as we stumble towards maturity. Spirit, You who led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. Spirit, You who transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Spirit, You whom Jesus sends as Friend, continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns and love directs all.

**Amen.**



## WE ARE SENT

Hymn

### We've Come This Far by Faith

*Refrain - All*

We've come this far by faith, lean-ing on the Lord;  
trust-ing in his ho-ly word, he's nev-er failed us yet.  
Oh, can't turn a-round, we've come this  
far by faith. We've come this far by faith.

1 Just remember  
the good things God has done,  
things that seemed impossible;  
oh, praise him for the vict'ries he has won.

2 Don't be discouraged  
with trouble in your life;  
he'll bear your burdens,  
and move all the discord and strife.

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Music: THIS FAR BY FAITH, Albert A. Goodson


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Our first act of love is to greet those standing near us and around us.

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**Tuesdays 1- 2:30 pm**  
**The Letter of James**  
**We'd love to have you join us via ZOOM!**

Topic: Tuesday Bible study Zoom Meeting  
Time: Aug 18, 2020 01:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88468352748?pwd=U3IzNEVINDRIWVYwbG5tUVVvKkMkltZz09>

Meeting ID: 884 6835 2748  
Passcode: 319682  
Phone only: 646 876 9923



**Birthdays this week:**  
16 - Diana Gordon  
16 - Cathy Oldham  
16 - Madelyn Zimmer  
17 - Thelma Johnson  
18 - Jasper Glover-Oakleaf



**A Brewing Faith**

**Second Tuesdays 6:30 pm**  
Conversation and fellowship  
Via ZOOM



**Coffee and Conversation**  
**Wednesday, August 19**  
**On the Lawn**  
*Honest exploration of questions about faith and life*


## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

<b>Presiding Minister</b>	David Shull, Pastor
<b>Preaching</b>	Jill Disbro
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Judith Bird
<b>ASL Interpreter</b>	Tori Reed
<b>Reader</b>	Danica Denniss
<b>Cantor</b>	Heidi Sherer
<b>Children's Time</b>	Emily Ott
<b>Organist &amp; Senior Choir Director</b>	Kathy Rapp
<b>Pianist &amp; Chimes Choir Director</b>	Karen Kent
<b>Producer</b>	Tom Mimlitch

*Noisy Offering will go to Kaleidoscope Youth Center.*

### THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER AUGUST 16 - 23

<b>Today</b>	YouTube	Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 pm	ZOOM Bible Study
	6:30 pm	ZOOM A Brewing Faith
<b>Wednesday</b>	11:00 am	Coffee and Conversation <b>ON THE LAWN</b>
	7:00 pm	ZOOM Race Conversations
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am	Pick Garden
	10:00 am	Garden Giveaway
<b>Next Sunday</b>	YouTube	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 am	ZOOM Adult Education
	Noon	RLC 3D Lunch on the Lawn—call church office for reservation



**Conversations on Race**  
**Wednesday, August 19**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Via Zoom**

Join us as we speak with Suellen Bennett, health equity supervisor for the Columbus Health Department.  
**Topic:** Redeemer Race Conversations Zoom Meeting on health inequity  
**Time:** Aug 19, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
**Join Zoom Meeting:** ID: 848 464 1 2334; Passcode: 007526  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84846412334?pwd=WXYxYUhWZ3c0VDRIRkNLSDc3Y1NOZz09>  
**Phone only:** 646 876 9923



**RLC Garden Giveaway**  
 Produce from our own garden  
 and donations from friends and neighbors  
**Saturday mornings**  
**10 am until gone**



**RLC 3D**  
**Gatherings on the Lawn**  
**Sunday, August 23, noon**  
 Lunch  
**Wednesday, August 26, 10:30 am**  
 Coffee and donuts  
 With guest Gail Feinstein,  
 Kensington Place Senior Living Community  
 Phone church office for reservation