

Our Mission

“to serve God and share the good news of Jesus Christ”

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

Prelude

Cathy Namock, organist

“*A Patriotic Quotation*” (by Robert J. Hughes)

Introduction

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

GATHERING

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

Opening Hymn

ELW #423

“*Shall We Gather at the River*” (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Yes, we’ll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Ere, we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Prayer of the Day

C: God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Children's Message

WORD

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Gene Fougner – vocal, Cathy Namock – organ

"Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdom" (Tice/Moore)

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:1-13

At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Rev. Adam Bissell

"Stick Around"

Hymn of the Day

ELW # 890

“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory (Battle Hymn of the Republic” (vs. 1 & 3)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.

Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on.

Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

Apostles' Creed

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.

Prayers of Intercession

L: Let us come before the triune God in prayer. *A brief silence.*

L: God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Sustain the baptized and increase their faith, that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of the heavens, your creating Spirit animates the universe. We give you thanks for the moon and stars, for the planets and galaxies near and far, and for all of the mysteries of the cosmos that remain unknown to us. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Defend us from tyrants in our midst and deliver us from all forms of slavery or corruption. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness for all people. We are thankful for our country and the opportunities to celebrate our freedoms on this Independence Day. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need especially those affected by the global pandemic and wildfires during this season of drought. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. We pray for our outreach ministries. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

L: And for what other things do the people of God pray for now, either silently or aloud?

L: We give you thanks that in every time and place you call forth prophets who move us towards freedom. Thank you for those who work for human rights, community organizers, and all who strive for liberty for all. We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C: Amen.

Offering

P: We give thanks for the offerings that we have received in the mail, online and in person this past week. These gifts make it possible for us to continue to be the church in the world even when we can't meet in our sanctuary. If you are worshiping with us today and would like to make a donation, please go to our website homepage and click the online giving link.

Offering Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C: Amen.

MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P: Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth...

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

P: Gathered together into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

(Please sing)

C: 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 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, and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come, for this is the body of Christ given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you.

Communion Blessing

Communion Hymn

"Let Us Break Bread Together" (vs. 1 & 2)

ELW #471

Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Prayer after Communion

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, \ddagger be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

ELW # 887

“This Is My Song” (vs. 1 & 3)

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.

This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

This is my prayer, O God of all earth’s kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.

O God, be lifted up trill all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.

So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Cathy Namock, organist

“Star-Spangled Banner” (by John S. Smith)

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As a congregation, we pray for God's guidance on our journey of service to our membership, our community and our world. Pray for Pastor Tricia, the Church Council, and the Ministry Leadership. The church office reviews this list monthly. Please call if your prayer concern is removed earlier than you wish.

Please keep the following in your prayers during this week:

Members

Casey Rooney

Cris Spahr

Chuck Lynch

Compton Reeves

Helen Morton

Inge Scholl

Isabel Benell

Kat Harley-Mays

Kathy Austin

Ron Kovara

Sheila Smilgis

Stan Walters

Sue Smith

Tom Smith

Our Family Members in Military and Deployed

Meg Northrup

Family Members and Friends

Asher Stuart – great grandson of Nancy Renner

Berto Rosellini – husband of Gayle Rosellini

Bill Deffenbaugh – stepfather of Kimberly Goats

Bill & Ruth Garrett – friend of Kimberly Goats

Bill Trancik – fiancé of Sheila Smilgis

Buel McCoy – father of Wendy Woolley

Carol & Rita Kuenne – friend of Mark & Mary Austin

Cheryl Midel – aunt of Wendy Woolley

Charles Dean – great nephew of Gail Kenny

Chris Vettore – daughter of Ron Kovara

Connie – friend of Helen Morton

Connie Miller & son Trevor – friends of Carl Schulze

Cris & Susie – brother & sister of Clara Farmer

Dawn Byars – stepsister of Kimberly Goats

Doug Bayle – nephew of Phyllis Pohlman

Edie Hales – mother of Cheryl Miller

Edward Kelly – friend of Mark & Mary Austin

Glen Stockbridge – son of David Stockbridge

Jack Gregory – friend of Ellen Rosfeld

Joann Harlib – mother of Scott Harlib

John Wade – husband of Carol Wade

Joshua Diebel – stepbrother of Tawnya Worthington

Julie Ward – daughter of Keith & Cathy Namock

Katy Rost & family – cousin of Kimberly Goats

Kay & Dave families – sons of Bert & Kathy Austin

Kent Freeland – son-in-law of Donna & A.E. Morgan

Kris Franklin – friend of Wendy Woolley

Leroy Goats – father-in-law of Kimberly Goats

Linda Vallner – sister of Ron Kovara

Marie – Clara Farmer's son's mother-in-law

Mark Erickson – friend of Mark & Mary Austin

Mark Kovara – son of Ron Kovara

Marilyn Boston – cousin of Sue & Tom Smith

Mary Leavy – mother of Kathie Siggs

Merle MacCleary – father of Pam MacCleary

Miranda & Brad Rebholz – granddaughter and grandson of Jim & Carole Rebholz

Phil Miller – friend of Emmanuel

Rev. Paul Meier – former pastor of Larry & Sonya Mahler

Rich, Carol, daughter of Rachel & Granddaughter of Audrey, friend of Larry & Sonya Mahler

Rosemary – neighbor of Mary Wakimoto

Rudy & Lena Juarez – friends of Julie Chisholm

Sam Crifasi – friend of Larry Mahler

Sarah Mulligan – daughter of Carol Wade

Star Campbell – friend of Bob Saul

Suzanne Stump – friend of Emmanuel

Tom Spahr – husband of Cris Spahr

Wayne Stithem – friend of Emmanuel

Wayne Wallingford – brother of Sheila Smilgis

Our prayers and sympathies to Shelby & Carol Tate on the passing of their daughter Stefanie O'Donnell on June 27.

PLEASE NOTE - Pastor Lowe will be on vacation from July 3 through July 10. Rev. Adam Bissell will be on call.

Someone is in the church office Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. except Wednesdays. Wednesdays will be from 9:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Please check in at the office when you arrive so we know who is in the building. Please wear a mask. Please call 772-4135 about the building availability, if you want to use a room for bible study, meeting, etc.

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day. We will be back in the office on Tuesday, July 6.

MISSION OUTREACH for the month of **July** is **Stepping Stones Women's and Children's Shelter**. Stepping Stones believes that all individuals who seek help due to some form of victimization or abuse need a therapeutic response. We work very hard to help women in our programs to become aware of their personal responsibility to end abuse or homelessness in their lives and the lives of their children. Stepping Stones is dedicated to ending violence/abuse in the family and promoting individual self-sufficiency, personal growth, self-worth and resiliency in the women and children that we are committed to serve.

Blood Drive - Emmanuel will host a blood drive on **July 19 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.** See Gail Gentes at the table in the narthex to sign up or give Gail a call at 928-910-5375 to sign up or if you have questions. Gail's email is grgentes@msn.com

Backpacks and School Supplies – We will be collecting backpacks and school supplies all during the month of July for the Family Resource Center for the Humboldt School District. Watch for sales that will be coming up shortly and if you can please purchase what you can and bring to the church during July. All items will be delivered to the Resource Center on July 30th.

EXCITING NEWS: We are now in stage five of our reopening plan, which means: all the chairs will be back in the sanctuary, no limit on numbers of folks attending, and those fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask. We encourage mask and distancing for those who are not vaccinated, including children.

Food Pantry We are now resuming the collection food items for the Prescott Valley Food Pantry at 8781 Spouse. Items most needed and used: canned fruits, canned vegetables, tuna, canned chicken, pastas, mac & cheese, peanut butter, cereals, and rice. Cash donations are always appreciated as they can fill in with items such as fresh food, breads and meats.

Shares of Faith, financial gifts, are a wonderful means of honoring, celebrating and memorializing your loved ones. They are given for life events as well as deaths. Your Shares of Faith will be acknowledged in our weekly service folder

Interfaith Meal – Next meal will be July 9, 11:00 am. We are now doing 150 take out meal. If you are able to help, please let Mary Jensen know.

Habitat For Humanity Annual Golf Tournament date has been reschedule to August 30, 2021 at the Club at Prescott Lake. If you would like to participate in this golf tournament the registration forms are located on the table in the narthex. If you have questions, please call 928-899-3343 or email ayers@prescotthabitat.org.

Quilters – Our group of ladies that quilt meet every First and Third Thursday of each month from 9:00 am to 10:30 a.m. Any one who would like to learn or who is a quilter is welcomed to come and join in.

Thrivent Member Action Cards – Each member is allocated two card per years of \$250.00 each. If you have not used our action cards, please consider applying for a card to support the Interfaith Meal.

Lectionary Bible Study is meeting on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Bible study will be led by Hal Vogelaar and Larry Gordon.

Aluminum Cans – Emmanuel is still collecting cans. Please bring to the church and deposit in the container held in the dumpster area.