

Trondhjem Lutheran Church

Sunday, July 26, 2020 9AM

...a time for embracing and
a time for avoiding embraces.

Ecclesiastes 3:5b



Outdoor Worship Guidelines during Covid19 Pandemic

- We strongly encourage you to wear a face mask.
- If participating in singing or spoken unison liturgy, you must wear a face mask.
- Hand sanitizer is available on the Welcome Table
- Please refrain from going inside the church building. If a restroom is needed, enter the building through the preschool south door.
- Offering can be left in the “noisy offering” bowl on the Welcome Table.
- Please maintain 6 feet of physical distancing.
- Bring your own lawn chairs.
- Bring your own communion elements. Prepacked sets will be available for those that need.
- The playground is closed.

WELCOME

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

C/ Amen

CALL TO WORSHIP

L/ Here in this place, there are no foreigners,

C/ for all are welcome in God's house.

L/ Here in this worship, there is only acceptance,

C/ for love is the language of faith.

L/ Here in our lives, there are no divisions,

C/ for God dwells in each of us.

Come, let us worship in unity and love.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P/ Let us confess our sins to God and to each other...

P/ Holy Lord,

C/ We confess that we have done wrong and have made many mistakes.

Things we know we did, things we know we didn't do.

We have sinned in ways we aren't even aware of.

We have misused our thoughts, our words and our actions.

We have not loved you with all of our heart.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Forgive us and help us put you first again in our lives. Amen

P/ God is full of mercy and full of love. Jesus died for us and was raised again so we can all have new life and new chances. This is given to us through God's gift of grace. All your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. May the Holy Spirit keep you strong in God's love now and always. Amen

C/ Amen

OPENING HYMN *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*.....ELW #858

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near,

join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, above all things so wondrously reigning;

sheltering you under his wings, and so gently sustaining!

Have you not seen all that is needful has been

sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriends you.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

GREETING

MESSAGE Ruth 2:1-20; 4:9-17

Now Naomi had a kinsman on her husband's side, a prominent rich man, of the family of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. ² And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain, behind someone in whose sight I may find favor." She said to her, "Go, my daughter." ³ So she went. She came and gleaned in the field behind the reapers. As it happened, she came to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the family of Elimelech. ⁴ Just then Boaz came from Bethlehem. He said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you." They answered, "The LORD bless you." ⁵ Then Boaz said to his servant who was in charge of the reapers, "To whom does this young woman belong?" ⁶ The servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the Moabite who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab. ⁷ She said, 'Please, let me glean and gather among the sheaves behind the reapers.' So she came, and she has been on her feet from early this morning until now, without resting even for a moment."

⁸ Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women. ⁹ Keep your eyes on the field that is being reaped, and follow behind them. I have ordered the young men not to bother you. If you get thirsty, go to the vessels and drink from what the young men have drawn." ¹⁰ Then she fell prostrate, with her face to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your sight, that you should take notice of me, when I am a foreigner?" ¹¹ But Boaz answered her, "All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. ¹² May the LORD reward you for your deeds, and may you have a full reward from the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge!" ¹³ Then she said, "May I continue to find favor in your sight, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, even though I am not one of your servants."

¹⁴ At mealtime Boaz said to her, “Come here, and eat some of this bread, and dip your morsel in the sour wine.” So she sat beside the reapers, and he heaped up for her some parched grain. She ate until she was satisfied, and she had some left over. ¹⁵ When she got up to glean, Boaz instructed his young men, “Let her glean even among the standing sheaves, and do not reproach her. ¹⁶ You must also pull out some handfuls for her from the bundles, and leave them for her to glean, and do not rebuke her.”

¹⁷ So she gleaned in the field until evening. Then she beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley. ¹⁸ She picked it up and came into the town, and her mother-in-law saw how much she had gleaned. Then she took out and gave her what was left over after she herself had been satisfied. ¹⁹ Her mother-in-law said to her, “Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you.” So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked, and said, “The name of the man with whom I worked today is Boaz.” ²⁰ Then Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, “Blessed be he by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!” Naomi also said to her, “The man is a relative of ours, one of our nearest kin.”

⁹ Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, “Today you are witnesses that I have acquired from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and Mahlon. ¹⁰ I have also acquired Ruth the Moabite, the wife of Mahlon, to be my wife, to maintain the dead man’s name on his inheritance, in order that the name of the dead may not be cut off from his kindred and from the gate of his native place; today you are witnesses.” ¹¹ Then all the people who were at the gate, along with the elders, said, “We are witnesses. May the Lord make the woman who is coming into your house like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you produce children in Ephrathah and bestow a name in Bethlehem; ¹² and, through the children that the Lord will give you by this young woman, may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah.”

¹³ So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. ¹⁴ Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin and may his name be renowned in Israel! ¹⁵ He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” ¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. ¹⁷ The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY *O God of Every Nation*.....ELW #713

O God of every nation, of every race and land,
redeem the whole creation with your almighty hand.
Where hate and fear divide us and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us, and heal our strife torn world.

From search for wealth and power and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower destruction through the night,
from pride of race and nation and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation, eternal God, we pray!

Lord, strengthen those who labor that all may find release
from fear of rattling saber, from dread of war's increase.
When hope and courage falter, Lord, let your voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter, your servants undergird.

Keep bright in us the vision of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious when truth and justice reign,
and Christ shall rule victorious o'er all the world's domain.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P/ Lord in your mercy

C/ Hear our prayers.

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**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.**

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *Let All Things Now Living*ELW #881

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, God's light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

God rules all the forces; the stars in their courses
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
"To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

DISMISSAL

P/ Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Love your neighbor.

C/ Thanks be to God!

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Dear Trondhjem Friends,

For quite a few years the church roof has been a subject of conversation. The leaks and maintenance have been a major challenge. We can put that behind us now since the pitched roof has been done!

Additionally, two generous families have paid the costs associated with the roof not covered by our insurance or our designated roof fund! Once again, the generosity of this faith community has insured that one of our most important ministry assets will continue to be useful, safe and welcoming!

Please join me in expressing deep gratitude to those who have stepped forward in generosity to ensure our ministries continue to thrive!

I invite you to consider how your generosity might do the same in these most challenging times?

Thanks and Peace,
Pastor Sue

Before coming to worship, please look over these questions:

Covid19 screening questions

- Have you or anyone in your family had a fever of 100.0 or higher?
- Have you had any chills or shaking?
- Have you had a cough or shortness of breath?
- Have you had a sore throat?
- Have you had any new body aches or unexplained muscle pain?
- Have you had a headache?
- Have you had new changes in sense of taste or smell?
- Have you had a sense of unusual or extreme fatigue?
- Have you had any congestion or runny nose not related to seasonal allergies?
- Have you had any nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- Have you had contact with someone with a positive COVID test or symptoms of COVID in the last 14 days?

Can you help for Sunday Worship?

There's extra set up needed now that we're gathering outdoor for worship. Can you help in any of these ways?

- set up - 2 people needed
- host welcome table
- technology assisting (sound & video)

Sign up through our Thursday emails or contact Kim!

They named him **Obed**;
he became the father of **Jesse**,
the father of **David**.



Ruth 4:17, NRSV

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