# Worship at St. John's Baptist Church Sunday, July 4, 2021

#### Greeting & Prayer of Submission

Rev. Lee Gray

#### Hymn

We Gather Together KREMSER

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing, To turn to a wisdom surpassing our own; The pow'rs that oppress us now cease to distress us. O God, be present with us, and make your will known.

Beside us to guide us, O God, we perceive you Ordaining, maintaining the power of life. Yes, yours be the glory; let all tell the story. Our God, be ever with us, in gladness and strife.

#### Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Matthew 6:12, 14-15 Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

"And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

"For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; 15 but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

This is the written word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

#### Hymn of Forgiveness

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive DETROIT

"Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray, But you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

## The Church at Prayer & the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Allison Benfield

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### Message

The Trouble Is Dr. Foust

#### Hymn

In Our Very Lives
IN THIS VERY ROOM

In our very lives there's quite enough love for one like me, And in our very lives there's quite enough joy for one like me; And there's quite enough hope, and quite enough pow'r to chase away any gloom, for Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in our very lives.

In our very lives there's quite enough love for all of us, And in our very lives there's quite enough joy for all of us; And there's quite enough hope, and quite enough pow'r to chase away any gloom, for Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in our very lives.

In our very lives there's quite enough love for all the world, And in our very lives there's quite enough joy for all the world; And there's quite enough hope, and quite enough pow'r to chase away any gloom, for Jesus, Lord Jesus, is in our very lives.

### Commissioning the Scattered Church

Dr. Foust