

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (FATHER'S DAY)

June 20, 2021

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS AND THE WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: "Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise" (#802)

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, O ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, your great name we praise!*

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Not wanting nor wasting, you rule in your might;
Your justice like mountains high soaring above,
Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*All life you engender in great and in small;
To all life befriender, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish in richness and range,
We wither and perish, but you never change.*

*Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Your angels adore you, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render; Oh lead us to see
The light of your splendor, your love's majesty!*

Invocation

Pastor: En el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: In the presence of God, who sees our hearts and our minds, let us confess our sin.

Pastor: God our strength,

People: we confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells within us. We put ourselves first and others last. What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves doing the opposite. Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Pastor: Señor, ten piedad de nosotros.

People: Señor, ten piedad de nosotros.

Pastor: Cristo, ten piedad de nosotros.

People: Cristo, ten piedad de nosotros.

Pastor: Señor, ten piedad de nosotros

People: Señor, ten piedad de nosotros

(SILENT PRAYER) (MOMENTO DE ORACIÓN PERSONAL)

Pastor: God has promised His merciful forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus, to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him in faith. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, in His stead and by His command, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. Thanks be to God.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE RESPONSE: "Make Us One" (by Tim Frusti)

*As we gather together in Your Son,
Let us know the joy of being one!
Let the time we share in this place
Be a time of love and friendship in your grace.
By your Spirit help us be one in peace and unity.
Bless us here as we gather in Your Son.
Give us joy, grant us peace, make us one!*

Job 38:1-11

Then out of the storm the LORD spoke to Job: ²"Who are you to question my wisdom with your ignorant, empty words? ³Now stand up straight and answer the questions I ask you. ⁴Were you there when I made the world? If you know so much, tell me about it. ⁵Who decided how large it would be? Who stretched the measuring line over it? Do you know all the answers? ⁶What holds up the pillars that support the earth? Who laid the cornerstone of the world? ⁷In the dawn of that day the stars sang together, and the heavenly beings shouted for joy. ⁸Who closed the gates to hold back the sea when it burst from the womb of the earth? ⁹It was I who covered the sea with clouds and wrapped it in darkness. ¹⁰I marked a boundary for the sea and kept it behind bolted gates. ¹¹I told it, 'So far and no farther! Here your powerful waves must stop.'"

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹In our work together with God, then, we beg you who have received God's grace not to let it be wasted. Hear what God says: "When the time came for me to show you favor I heard you; when the day arrived for me to save you, I helped you." Listen! This is the hour to receive God's favor; today is the day to be saved! ³We do not want anyone to find fault with our work, so we try not to put obstacles in anyone's way. ⁴Instead, in everything we do we show that we are God's servants by patiently enduring troubles, hardships, and difficulties. We have been beaten, imprisoned, and mobbed; we have been overworked and have gone without sleep or food. ⁶By our purity, knowledge, patience, and kindness we have shown ourselves to be God's servants—by the Holy Spirit, by our true love, ⁷by our message of truth, and by the power of God. We have righteousness as our weapon, both to attack and to defend ourselves. ⁸We are honored and disgraced; we are insulted and praised. We are treated as liars, yet we speak the truth; ⁹as unknown, yet we are known by all; as though we were dead, but, as you see, we live on. Although punished, we are not killed; ¹⁰although saddened, we are always glad; we seem poor, but we make many people rich; we seem to have nothing, yet we really possess everything. ¹¹Dear friends in Corinth! We have spoken frankly to you; we have opened our hearts wide. ¹²It is not we who have closed our hearts to you; it is you who have closed your hearts to us. ¹³I speak now as though you were my children: show us the same feelings that we have for you. Open your hearts wide!

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵On the evening of that same day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." ³⁶So they left the crowd; the disciples got into the boat in which Jesus was already sitting, and they took him with them. Other boats were there too. ³⁷Suddenly a strong wind blew up, and the waves began to spill over into the boat, so that it was about to fill with water. ³⁸Jesus was in the back of the boat, sleeping with his head on a pillow. The disciples woke him up and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we

are about to die?" ³⁹Jesus stood up and commanded the wind, "Be quiet!" and he said to the waves, "Be still!" The wind died down, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Why are you frightened? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹But they were terribly afraid and said to one another, "Who is this man? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN: "God Is Our Father" [Words by Barry L. Ralph; Tune: "Bunessan"]

*God is our Father; we are his children
Born of creation, born of His grace;
Named as His people, called as His witness,
With all His saints of each time and place.*

*Christ is our Savior, Shepherd, and Brother,
Sharing the plight of humanity;
Dying that our sin might be forgiven,
Raised so we live to eternity.*

*God's Holy Spirit, ever abiding with us in Christian community;
Leading us onward, prompting our witness,
Forming, inspiring what we shall be.*

*Lord God, our Father, Savior, & Spirit—
Holy Creator, creating still;
Blessed Redeemer; comforting presence:
Now let our witness show forth your will.*

SERMON

PRAYERS (see Prayer Partner List printed below)

THE 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 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.

PRAYER HYMN: "Eres Todopoderoso" (Spanish song by Juan Salinas,
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*La única razón de mi adoración eres tú mi Jesús...
Mi único motivo para vivir eres tú mi Señor...
Mi única verdad está en tí, Eres mi luz y mi salvación...
Mi único amor eres tu, Señor, y por siempre te alabaré...
Tú eres todo—poderoso, eres grande y majestuoso;
Eres fuerte, invensible, y no hay nadie como tú...*

Jesus, my worship is all about you, you are the source of my hope;

Jesus, my living is rooted in you, you are the source of my life.

My only truth is found in you, O Lord,

You are my light and you set me free;

The greatest love I have is you, O Lord,

and forever my praises I'll give...

For you are holy, you're almighty, yet your grace is revealed in all that you do!

Yours' the power and the glory, and there's no one equal to you..!

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly right, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, eternal God. From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade. The risen Lord walks with us, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake the day you summon us to live in endless light, the unending Sabbath of the Lord. And so, with choirs of angels and with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory!

People: Amen!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy, we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us to faithfully eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us to in His own testament. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate, with all the faithful, the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone be all glory, honor, and worship, now and forever. **Amen.***

LAMB OF GOD (sung)

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.*

CONSECRATION AND DISTRIBUTION

THANK THE LORD (sung)

*Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell everyone what He has done.*

*Let everyone who seeks the Lord,
rejoice and proudly bear His name.*

*He recalls His promises, and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and

we implore You, that of Your mercy, You would strengthen us in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #863 (adapted), "Our Father, by Whose Name"

*Our Father, by whose name all parenthood is known:
In love divine you claim each family as your own.
Bless mothers, fathers, guarding well,
 With constant love as sentinel,
The homes in which your people dwell.*

*O Christ, yourself a child within an earthly home,
With heart still undefiled to full adulthood come:
Our children bless in every place
 That they may all behold your face
And, knowing you, may grow in grace.*

*O Holy Spirit, bind our hearts in unity,
And teach us how to find the love from self set free;
In all our hearts such love increase,
 That every home, by this release,
May be a dwelling place of peace.*

THE BLESSING

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