

# Worship Service ~ July 3, 2022, 9:00 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

VISION: Be the body of Christ:

welcoming all, inspired by God, and sent out to live our Faith.

MISSION: Led by the Spirit to share God's grace.

Today's Broadcast is sponsored by Jon & Kate Proulx  
in memory of Rich Lund.

PRELUDE "*Rhapsody on Materna*" (ELW #888 *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*) arr. Charles Callahan

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

OPENING HYMN ELW #888 *O BEAUTIFUL FOR SPACIOUS SKIES* stz 1, 2  
O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain:  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brother-hood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life:  
America! America! May God thy gold refine,  
till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.

### INVOCATION

L: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

*~Silence for reflection~*

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
**C: Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

L: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray, O God,

**C: the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

PRAYER LAB MINUTE

SPECIAL MUSIC            *"Be the Church"* Faith Worship Band

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

R: A reading from Isaiah.

**Isaiah 66:10-14**

<sup>10</sup>Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,  
all you who love her;  
rejoice with her in joy,  
all you who mourn over her—

<sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied  
from her consoling breast;  
that you may drink deeply with delight  
from her glorious bosom.

<sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,  
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;  
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,  
and dandled on her knees.

<sup>13</sup>As a mother comforts her child,  
so I will comfort you;  
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;  
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;  
and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his  
servants,  
and his indignation is against his enemies.

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW #174 *CELTIC ALLELUIA*

R: A Gospel reading from the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of Luke.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

## Luke 10:1-11; 16-20

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

<sup>16</sup>"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

MESSAGE Pastor John Klawiter

SONG OF THE DAY *GOD OF OUR FATHERS WHOSE ALMIGHTY  
HAND* stz 1, 2

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise

Thy love divine hath led us in the past;  
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.  
Be thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay,  
Thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

MUSICAL OFFERING *"God Bless America" "America the Beautiful"*  
Bill Kaiser, trumpet

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God of abundance,

**C: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: God, in your mercy.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## BLESSING

L: May the LORD bless us and keep us; May the LORD's face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, May the LORD look upon us with favor, + and give us peace. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG ELW #424 YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES

stz 1, 4

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!" Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs, arch-angels, virtunes, angel choirs: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Fanfare and Postlude on National Hymn ("*God of Our Fathers*") arr. Wayne Kerr

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