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In preparing our hearts for worship, we will be dimming the lights in the narthex, indicating a time to prepare ourselves for worship. Please enter the sanctuary quietly and in time to hear the welcome and announcements.

June 22, 2025

Second Sunday in Pentecost



Prayer of Preparation

Teach us your way, O Lord, that we may walk in your truth;
Give us an undivided heart to revere your name.
Psalm 86.11

We Enter into God's Presence

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Brent Edstrom

Welcome / Greetings

Pastor Bruce Mulder

Signing of the Friendship Pad & Prayer Cards

*Call to Worship based on Psalm 91 and Romans 10

Liturgist

Let us worship God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

“God is our refuge and our fortress; God alone is who we trust.”

Let us confess with our mouths, *Jesus is Lord* and believe in our hearts that *God raised Christ from the dead*.

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Let us call upon our true Lord, believing God in our hearts, confessing Jesus with our mouths, and worshiping in Spirit and truth.

Let us worship the Lord our God. Amen.

*Opening Hymn #169

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise.
2. In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea
The gracious calling of the lord,
Let us, like them, without a word rise up and follow thee.
3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee, O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee,
The silence of eternity, interpreted by love!
4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.
5. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

Prayer of Confession

Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you.

SILENCE

You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns.

SILENCE

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

SILENCE

We seek our own glory, praise and success.

SILENCE

God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Words of Assurance – 1 John 5

This is the message we have heard from God and proclaim to you, that God is light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. People of God, believe the Good News: we walk in the light of Jesus Christ who forgives us our sin.

Thanks be to God, Amen!

We Hear God's Word

Reading

1 Kings 19.1-15a

Liturgist

1 Kings 19.1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. He ate and drank and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, or the journey will be too much for you." He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind, and after the wind an earthquake, but

the Lord was not in the earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire, and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts, for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem (Organ Solo)

The Mercy Seat

James Southbridge

Sermon

"Travels with Elijah"

Offertory & Collection of Prayer Cards

*Doxology #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here and below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

We Respond to God's Word

Prayer of the People, Thanksgiving, & The Lord's Prayer

Liturgist

We praise and thank you, O Lord, that you have fed us with your Word. As we are grateful for your gifts we offer to you our prayers for all people.

God of compassion, we remember before you the poor and the afflicted, the sick and the dying, prisoners and all who are lonely, the victims of war, injustice, and inhumanity, and all others who suffer from whatever their sufferings may be called.

Silence

Lord in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O Lord of wisdom you hold the purpose of the nations in your hand; hear us as we pray for our country. Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our people, may first seek your kingdom and righteousness so that justice and peace may dwell with your people.

Silence

Lord in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O God, Creator of all, we pray for all countries and peoples. Take away the mistrust and lack of understanding that divide us or turn us from you and our neighbor; by your Spirit, continue to grow us as your people who remember and honor that we are all your children.

Silence

Lord in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

O Savior God, look upon your Church as we too often struggle, quarrel or freeze in apathy. Have mercy on its weakness, end our divisions, scatter our fears, and draw us in as one. Look also upon the ministry of your church. Give us more courage, strengthen our faith as we live by hope, and inspire our telling and living out of the Gospel to all people, to the very ends of the earth.

Silence

Lord in your mercy;

Hear our prayer.

Author of grace and God of love, send your Holy Spirit's blessing to your children here this day and those ahead. Keep our hearts and thoughts in Jesus Christ, your Son, our only Savior, who has taught us to pray:

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; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Follow God's Word into the World

*Hymn of Sending #824

There is a Place of Quiet Rest

- 1. There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,
A place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God.**
- 2. There is a place of comfort sweet, near to the heart of God,
A place where we our Savior meet, near to the heart of God.**
- 3. There is a place of full release, near to the heart of God,**

A place where all is joy and peace, near to the heart of God.

Refrain:

**O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
Hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.**

Benediction

Pastor Bruce Mulder

Postlude

Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart

arr. Marianne Kim

50 Backpacks for Kids in Foster Care (Deadline: Sunday, July 6)

Heads up! Members and friends who love shopping for back-to-school items! This year we are committed to filling 50 backpacks for kids who are in foster care. On the bulletin board in the foyer, the Mission Team has a photo list of specific items that need to be purchased. If you would like to participate: (1) Take a tag with a photo; (2) Provide your name and phone number on the provided line; (3) Bring in the item/s with the tag/s attached and place in the bin below the bulletin board. Then, on Sunday, July 13, we'll pack the 50 backpacks together with all the items during fellowship time!

Ice Cream Social & Games, June 22 after worship

Please join us for an ice cream social in Knox Hall after worship, on Sunday June 22, from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon. We'll have chocolate and vanilla ice cream and toppings aplenty! Stay and visit with our church family! Guests and visitors are welcome! Rumor has it that there will be some games as well!

LAST DAY FOR Donations for Youth United

The Youth United planning committee is asking each community partner to collect the following items before Youth United begins on June 23 :

- personal care items: feminine hygiene products, tissue packs, toiletries (all sizes), hand sanitizers
- baby wipes, formula, diapers, food
- new socks (adults and kids)
- clean t-shirts (sizes adult small to large)
- gently used or new books for all age groups (from birth to adult) CARES food pantry
- non-perishable food items
- toilet paper
- laundry detergent and cleaning products
- condiments (mustard, ketchup, syrup, jellies, BBQ sauce)

Place your donations in the CARES/Youth United container located in the narthex under the Welcome Table. Thank you for your generosity and participation in Youth United!

CARES Food Pantry

The number of people needing assistance in providing enough food for their family continues to grow. Between 750 and 800 households are served by CARES each month. Please take home a yellow CARES shopping list, found in the pews, and take it with you on your next shopping trip. We have provided a plastic bin in the Narthex for your generous donations. Thank you for remembering your neighbors.

Cereal for Summer Campaign (May 1 – July 6)

No child should go hungry. However, many kids who rely on receiving breakfast and lunch during the school year often face long summer days without enough to eat. Join our annual CEREAL FOR SUMMER CAMPAIGN and help us feed hungry children in our presbytery. The Mission Ministry will be accepting cereal donations from May 1 until July 6. See the marked containers in the Mission Cove in the foyer. Thank you again for your continuing generosity in supporting this effort.

DCDI's Garden and Nutrition Class (starting June 7)

Danika Community Development Inc (DCDI) was founded to support and promote initiatives that serve underserved populations in areas where they need support the most. FPCF also sponsors DCDI's Resume Writing & Practice Interview Workshop held a couple times per year at our church.

Once again this year, FPCF is sponsoring **DCDI's Garden and Nutrition Class, every Saturday, from 9:30 am – 11:30 am**. Sometimes we'll be in the classroom (Room 208/210) and sometimes in the garden. If you would like to volunteer to help, it's a great opportunity to build community with others we don't already know while learning something new. Even if you already know a lot about gardening, there is still much to learn from others. Let's grow veggies with our neighbors! **If you have any questions, please contact Tom Neal, Sharon Cressman, or Colleen Tavor.**

Hospitality Time Schedule

You are invited to bring ONE food item on ONE Sunday each month. Your Sunday depends on the first letter of your last name. It would be greatly appreciated if you are also able to help with set-up or clean-up. Please note healthy options are welcome as well such as fruit, eggs, cheese & crackers, veggies etc. Here's the upcoming schedule:

June 22: Last names beginning E-K

June 29: Last names beginning L-R

July 6: Last names beginning S-Z

July 13: Last names beginning A-D



QR Code for Donations!

If you ever forget to go to the ATM, or simply don't carry cash on you, we've decided to include the church QR code for a more streamlined donation process. To donate, just scan the QR code and follow the prompt just scan the QR code and follow

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