

Sunday, June 14, 2020

Second Sunday After Pentecost

Order of Service

Gathering Song..... **“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”** (*Hymnal, #334*)

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it’s the spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us filling us with your love; and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

Greeting/Call to Worship..... **Sister Cynthia**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord.

People: **God is our refuge and strength.**

Leader: Come, behold the works of the Lord.

People: **God brings peace to all nations.**

Leader: When we are on shaky ground,

People: **God rescues us in Jesus Christ.**

Leader: When changes bring hardship that overwhelm us,

People: **Christ is our solid ground.**

ALL: **Thanks be to God, our refuge and strength.**

Hymn of Praise **“My Hope Is Built”**

1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil. [*Refrain*]

3 His oath, his covenant, his blood
support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. [*Refrain*]

4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found,
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne. [*Refrain*]

Prayer of Confession and Assurance (*Unison*)

God of grace, we confess to you the sin of our pride. Too often our confidence is placed in others and government and it leads us to shaky ground. Steady us when we face the giants in our lives and when we are afraid to trust in you. Give us faith and courage grounded in your grace given to us in Jesus Christ. Above all assure us as we go forth to face the Goliath’s in our lives that you

will give us strength, hope and power to overcome. Forgive us of our failure to believe that you are our rock in a weary land and shelter in the times of storm. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (*Recite*)

The Invocation

Song of Meditation — “**We Are An Offering**” (*Chris Christian*)

The Prayer of Illumination (*Unison*)

Gracious God give us humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what you have revealed, and do what you have commanded. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading #1 (*1 Samuel 17:1a, 4–11, Common English Version*)

David Defeats Goliath

17 The Philistines assembled their troops for war at Socoh of Judah. They camped between Socoh and Azekah at Ephes-dammim.

⁴ A champion named Goliath from Gath came out from the Philistine camp. He was more than nine feet tall. ⁵ He had a bronze helmet on his head and wore bronze scale-armor weighing one hundred twenty-five pounds. ⁶ He had bronze plates on his shins, and a bronze scimitar hung on his back. ⁷ His spear shaft was as strong as the bar on a weaver's loom, and its iron head weighed fifteen pounds. His shield-bearer walked in front of him.

⁸ He stopped and shouted to the Israelite troops, “Why have you come and taken up battle formations? I am the Philistine champion, and you are Saul's servants. Isn't that right? Select one of your men, and let him come down against me. ⁹ If he is able to fight me and kill me, then we will become your slaves, but if I overcome him and kill him, then you will become our slaves and you will serve us. ¹⁰ I insult Israel's troops today!” The Philistine continued, “Give me an opponent, and we'll fight!” ¹¹ When Saul and all Israel heard what the Philistine said, they were distressed and terrified.

Scripture Reading #2 (*2 Corinthians 6:1–13, Common English Version*)

6 ¹ Since we work together with him, we are also begging you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ² He says, *I listened to you at the right time, and I helped you on the day of salvation.* Look, now is the right time! Look, now is the day of salvation!

³ We don't give anyone any reason to be offended about anything so that our ministry won't be criticized. ⁴ Instead, we commend ourselves as ministers of God in every way. We did this with our great endurance through problems, disasters, and stressful situations. ⁵ We went through beatings, imprisonments, and riots. We experienced hard work, sleepless nights, and hunger. ⁶ We displayed purity, knowledge, patience, and generosity. We served with the Holy Spirit, genuine love, ⁷ telling the truth, and God's power. We carried the weapons of righteousness in our right hand and our left hand. ⁸ We were treated with honor and dishonor and with verbal abuse and good evaluation. We were seen as both fake and real, ⁹ as unknown and well known, as dying—and look, we are alive! We were seen as punished but not killed, ¹⁰ as going through pain but always happy, as poor but making many rich, and as having nothing but owning everything.

Call to Relationship and Holiness

¹¹ Corinthians, we have spoken openly to you, and our hearts are wide open. ¹² There are no limits to the affection that we feel for you. You are the ones who placed boundaries on your affection for us. ¹³ But as a fair trade—I'm talking to you like you are children—open your hearts wide too.

Scripture Reading #3 (*Mark 4:35–41, Common English Version*)

Jesus Stops A Storm

³⁵ Later that day, when evening came, Jesus said to them, “Let’s cross over to the other side of the lake.” ³⁶ They left the crowd and took him in the boat just as he was. Other boats followed along.

³⁷ Gale-force winds arose, and waves crashed against the boat so that the boat was swamped.

³⁸ But Jesus was in the rear of the boat, sleeping on a pillow. They woke him up and said, “Teacher, don’t you care that we’re drowning?”

³⁹ He got up and gave orders to the wind, and he said to the lake, “Silence! Be still!” The wind settled down and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ Jesus asked them, “Why are you frightened? Don’t you have faith yet?”

⁴¹ Overcome with awe, they said to each other, “Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!”

The Affirmation of Faith — “The Apostles’ Creed” (*recite in unison*)

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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried:
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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

The Gloria Patri – “Glory Be to the Father” (*Recite in unison*)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. **Amen.**

Children / Youth Moment **Sister Jaime**

Hymn of Preparation — “I’m So Glad” (*sing along with Chris Turner*)

1 I’m so glad Jesus lifted me.
I’m so glad Jesus lifted me.
I’m so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

2 Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me.
Satan had me bound; Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

3 When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me.
When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

4 I’m so glad Jesus lifted me.
I’m so glad Jesus lifted me.
I’m so glad Jesus lifted me,
singing glory, hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

Inspirational Message..... Rev. Eugene Matthews

“Strategies Needed When Facing A Giant”

Invitation / Altar Call Rev. Eugene Matthews

Selection — “Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand” (*sing along with Alfred Street Baptist Church*)

1 Time is filled with swift transition,
Naught of earth unmoved can stand,
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God’s unchanging hand.

Refrain:

Hold to God’s unchanging hand,
Hold to God’s unchanging hand;
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God’s unchanging hand.

2 Trust in Him who will not leave you,
Whatsoever years may bring,
If by earthly friends forsaken
Still more closely to Him cling. [*Refrain*]

4 When your journey is completed,
If to God you have been true,
Fair and bright the home in glory
Your enraptured soul will view. [*Refrain*]

Praise and Prayer Concerns

Announcements

Benediction

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As the Re-entering Task Force works diligently, the church will remain closed.

130th Anniversary Shirts — I'm sure you have seen the email about the purchasing of our commemorative shirts. **Sizes:** Small to XL = \$15; 2X = \$17; 3X = \$19. **If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, please contact Millicent at the church email.**



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Annual Conference will be held on **Saturday, September 12th**. (place has not been designated).

General Conference — **August 31, 2021–September 10, 2021**

Jurisdictional Conference — TBA



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Equipping disciples to transform the world”*

Special Prayers / Sick and Shut-In List: If you hear of anyone that is in need of special prayer or is taken to the hospital, please contact: Rev. Eugene Matthews (443.257.2730 (cell), 410.379.0600 (home), reveugene@comcast.net)

*Condolence to the family of the late
Sister Icilma Cox*

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Viewing: 1:00 p.m. | Service: 2:00 p.m.

March Life Tribute Center

*7601 Sandy Springs Road * Laurel, Maryland*

Due to social distancing, there will be a link to the service that will be provided or check out website for March Life Tribute Center. Condolences can be sent to the family via:

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