8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP July 19, 2020 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Please follow the ushers' direction on seating. We will maintain at least 6 feet between individuals unless you come as a family who live together.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: "Cantabile" – J. N. Lemmens

P. We prepare our hearts and minds for worship, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

CONFESSION:

C. Almighty God, I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. I have sinned by what I have done and what I have left undone. I have not loved you with my whole heart.

I have not loved my neighbor as myself. Forgive me. Renew me. Lead me. I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who suffered for us all and was raised from the dead, that first Easter. Amen.

- P. It is always my honor and privilege to announce that God has freely forgiven you and me. We stand here, trusting, by God's grace alone. We stand here as free men and women, boys and girls. May the wind of Pentecost move our hearts and our hands.
- C. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "Oh, Worship the King"

- Oh, worship the King, all-glorious above. Oh, gratefully sing God's power and love; our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- 2 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old; established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 4 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.
- 5 O measureless might, ineffable love, while angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall sing to your praise.

Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, alt.

APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Lord, you are the cosmic gardener. Give us patience based on our trust that all final outcomes are in your loving hands. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

SERMON: "Who Runs This Farm?"

Pastor Larry Isbell

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Praise the Lord! O Heavens"

- Praise the Lord! O heav'ns, adore him; praise him, angels, in the height; sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, gleaming stars and light. Praise the Lord, for he has spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed; laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he has made.
- Praise the Lord, for he is gracious; never shall his promise fail.
 God has made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
 Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim; heav'n and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his name!

Text: Foundling Hospital Collection, London, 1796

APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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 dead, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

(At the end of each petition, the leader will say "Lord, in your mercy." Feel free to respond with "Hear our prayer.")

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.

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "We Plow the Fields and Scatter"



Text: Matthias Claudius, 1740–1815; tr. Jane M. Campbell, 1817–1878, alt. Music: WIR PFLÜGEN, Johann A. P. Schulz, 1747–1800

We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all

DISMISSAL:

- P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "Toccata in b" – Eugene Gigout

(Please exit row by row, beginning with the back. Talk to others from a distance in the parking lot.)

your love.

Today's altar flowers are given by Dave & Diane Rodgers in honor of their 33rd wedding anniversary.