8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP August 16, 2020 11TH 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: "The Church's One Foundation" – Charles Callahan

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: "God, Whose Almighty Word"

- 1 God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard and took their flight: hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.
- 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing, healing and sight; health to the troubled mind, sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind let there be light.
- 3 Spirit of truth and love, life-giving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780-1825, 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:

Dear God, within everything else we do—this week—give us the space and wisdom to listen for your voice and to discern your will in matters great and small. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS

SERMON: "The Heart of Conversion"

Pastor Larry Isbell

HYMN OF THE DAY: "The Church's One Foundation"

- The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word.

 From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.
- Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace, that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900

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: "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

- Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.
- 4 He speaks, and list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

DISMISSAL:

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

POSTLUDE: "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" – Paul Manz

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

Today's altar flowers are given by Gary & Theresa Forkert in honor of Cassidy's 12th birthday, and Lexi's 8th birthday.