

July 3, 2022 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost



PRELUDE

Ina Davenport

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

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.

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.

GATHERING O Beautiful for Spacious Skies #888 (red book, rear section)

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 brotherhood 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.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years, thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit (+) be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE (Spanish setting)

page 175 (red hymnal, front part)

Lord have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

Christ, mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy. Christ, mercy on us; O Christ, have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us; O Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray together... O God, 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.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 66:10-14

The first lesson for Fourth Sunday after Pentecost is from the book of Isaiah, the 66th chapter, beginning with the 10th verse.

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her; all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her – that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

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. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

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 the servants, and God's indignation is against the enemies.

[New Revised Standard Version]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 66:1-9 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.

Say to God,

"How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

All the earth worships you;

they sing praise to you, sing praises to your name"

Come and see what God has done:

God is awesome in deeds among mortals.

God turned the sea into dry land;

they passed through the river on foot.

There we rejoiced in God, who rules by might forever,

whose eyes keep watch on the nations – let the rebellious not exalt themselves.

Bless our God, O peoples,

let the sound of God's praise be heard,

SECOND READING: Galatians 6:7-16

The Second Reading for this Fourth Sunday after Pentecost is from the 6thchapter of Galatians, beginning with the 7th verse.

[Paul writes:]

Don't be misled: no one makes a fool of God.

What a person plants, they will harvest.

The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others – ignoring God! – harvests a crop of weeds.

All they'll have to show for their life is weeds!

But the one who plants in response to God, letting God's Spirit do the growth work in them, harvests a crop of real life, eternal life.

So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good.

At the right time, we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit.

Right now, therefore, every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith.

[The Message]

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

page 179 (red hymnal, front section)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:1--20

The gospel lesson for this Fourth Sunday after Pentecost is from the 10th chapter of Luke, beginning with the 11th verse.

Glory be to you, Oh Lord.

After [Jesus had set his face toward Jerusalem,

he appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs

to every town and place where he himself intended to go.

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 the harvest.

Go on your way.

See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road.

Whatever house you enter, first say,

'Peace on this house!'

And if anyone is there who shares in pace, your peace will rest on that person;

but if not, it will return to you.

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.

Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you,

eat what is set before you;

cure the sick who are there, and say to them,

'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you,

go out into its streets and say,

'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.'

I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

"Woe to you, Chorazin!

Woe to you, Bethsaida!

For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

But at the judgment it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven?

No, you will be brought down to Hades.

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying,

"Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them,

"I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 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.

Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

[New Revised Standard Version]

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON The Confidence of Disciples

Pastor Brian Stein-Webber

SERMON HYMN Wade in the Water #459 (red hymnal, rear section)

REFRAIN:

Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, wade in the water, God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

L: See that host all dressed in white,

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

L: the leader looks like the Israelite.

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

REFRAIN

L: See that band all dressed in white.

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

L: looks like the band that Moses led.

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

REFRAIN

L: Look over yonder, what do I see?

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

L: the Holy Ghost a-coming on me.

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

REFRAIN

L: If you don't believe I've been redeemed,

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

L: just follow me down to Jordan's stream.

C: God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

REFRAIN

APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. We also pray for the Sierra Pacific Synod and their interim bishop, Claire Burkat. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves, but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people especially the people of Ukraine and Palestine, Hungary and the Congo. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are dying or grieving, and others who are in need of our earnest prayer, especially,

- Denise Kenealy and her husband Mike, son and daughter-in-law of Robin Karas. Denise is dealing with suddenly accelerating auto-immune disease and showing some improvement
- Linda Luke- chemotherapy
- Rebecca Aparicio, Nancy Padilla's mother-in-law- recovering from a stroke
- Edith Tway- readmitted to the hospital
- George Tway- supporting Edith
- Becky Padilla- dealing with cervical cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- Lia, Ina Davenport's friend-recovering well from a broken back
- James Hecker- recovering from a complicated bladder replacement surgery
- Tim Stein, Pastor Mary's brother-living under hospice care
- Christopher Buckles, Kate Anderson's son
- Katie Brochtrup-adjusting well to her baclofen pump
- Marcia and Rick Walt, friends of Cindy Haener
- Heidi Carney
- Janelle Muff, for continuing good health
- Elaine Grawe, brain surgery, recovering at home in Morro Bay
- Darel and Betty Sorenson, as Betty remains in nursing care
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- ministering boldly in Santa Maria, and for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting the new COVID-19 omicron variants, and that we might continue to observe mitigation guidelines
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing, protection, and changes of heart
- Our Country on this Independence Day- may our divisions heal
- For Janet Lorenzo who celebrates her birthday this week

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you. Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.... God of abundance: 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

Holy, Holy

p. 173 (red hymnal, front section)

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you. It is the new covenant of my blood, shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us pray the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:

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.

LAMB OF GOD

p.174 (red hymnal, front section)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

TAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION

[All who desire may come forward to take the body and blood of Christ. During the distribution of Communion, you may also seek prayers of healing at the chair by the baptismal font.]

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:
Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.
AMEN.

BLESSING

The God of peace,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN Shine, Jesus, Shine #671(red hymnal, rear section)

REFRAIN

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; end forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, wet us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me: REFRAIN

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lies tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me:
REFRAIN

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Ina Davenport

Thank you to:

- Nikki Rocha, for assisting in worship.
- Nancy Koppl, for teaching Sunday School.
- Sandy McMillan and others for counting the offering.
- **Ina Davenport** for accompanying worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo** for streaming worship, assembling worship bulletins and editing our newsletter.
- Nancy Padilla, for setting up and welcoming.
- **Our kitchen crew,** for hosting fellowship time.

Events this week:

- Welcome to Gia Hamilton and her husband to worship today. Gia is the Vice-President and
 Program Director for Lutheran Social Services of Southern California. She is in the area to determine
 what kind of program(s) might be developed in SLO County, and would like to speak with anybody
 after worship who has some ideas!
- The Chosen discussion group will be on break tonight.
- **Men's Group** meets on Tuesday, July 6th, 1:00 to 2:30 pm at the Stein-Webber's house (1302 17th St., Los Osos).
- **Open House** on Saturday 13th, 1:30 to 4:30 pm at the home of the Stein-Webbers, 1302 17th St., Los Osos. Bring yourself and if you have something you want to drink. Appetizers sodas and juices will be provided.
- **Bible Study** on Wednesday, July 6th, 10:00 am in the fellowship hall
- **Sunday, July 10th, 10:00 am,** worship in the sanctuary, Sunday School in the social hall. There will be a baptism for **Henry Rice.**
- Note that we are still strongly asking for the use of masks in worship, for the sake of those whose health is compromised or weak.