

WORSHIP SERVICE AUGUST 16, 2020

FELLOWSHIP TIME 9:30

WORSHIP TIME 10:00

Please put your Joys & Concerns in the zoom chat box

PRELUDE Lamb of God & Higher Ground

OPENING PRAYER - Liturgist - Rob Bower

Gentle...yet powerful. Lowly...yet almighty. Shepherd...yet King.

In your gentleness, guide us. In your power, strengthen us.

In your lowliness, strip from us our selfish pride which only destroys us.

In your greatness, lift us up that we might aspire to greater things.

As a shepherd, call us to be your servants. As a King, call us to be

your royal priesthood. O God, who is our shepherd and our King;

O Christ, who was crucified and is now risen from the dead; O Spirit,

who comforts and empowers; O great One in Three, Holy Trinity,

this hour, set us free to worship. Amen.

By Peter Haynes

OPENING HYMN Christ Has Broken Down the Walls ws 3122

JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

ALL: 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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory now and forever. Amen.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lord, this money is not payment for services rendered. These aren't our dues necessary for us to belong to this church. We know you made us with a purpose, and so now we give ... on purpose, freely offering to you the best of who we are. Continue to work out your purpose in us. Make us your hands, outstretched, on purpose. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS - Liturgist**ROMANS 11: 11-20**

So I ask, have they stumbled so as to fall? By no means! But through their stumbling salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel^[b] jealous. Now if their stumbling means riches for the world, and if their defeat means riches for Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean! Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry in order to make my own people jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead! If the part of the dough offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches also are holy. But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, a wild olive shoot, were grafted in their place to share the rich root of the olive tree, do not boast over the branches. If you do boast, remember that it is not you that support the root, but the root that supports you. You will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand only through faith. So do not become proud, but stand in awe.

MATTHEW 15: 21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD**THANKS BE TO GOD****MESSAGE**

"Stand in Awe!"
Rev. Effie E. McAvoy

CLOSING HYMN This is a Day of New Beginnings # 383 vs 1,3,4,5

sung by Mary-Anne DesRosiers, Dorothy Fassbender, Carol Leith, Sue Dyl,
Danny Beck, & Rob Bower - accompanist Steve Haunschild

BENEDICTION