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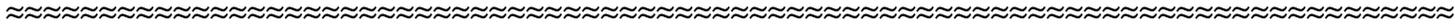
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Worship

Sunday, June 21, 2020

Men's Day

Greeting

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God, our Father, will answer you in the day of trouble and protect you from harm.

People: This is our Father's world let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: God, our Father, will grant you sanctuary and give you support.

People: This is our Father's world let us rejoice and be glad in it!

***Opening Prayer**

Lord of life and love, we give you thanks this day for the men who have influenced our lives in so many ways. For those who gave us life, for those who taught us about love, for those who led us in your ways, we give thanksgiving. We seek to live in a way that honors them and follows your commands. Comfort those who are without their beloved today and all those who feel pain this day. Inspire each of us to be sources of love and grace for all of your children. In the name of our live-giver, Jesus Christ, Amen.

***Affirmation of Faith**

"The Apostle's Creed"

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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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 life everlasting. Amen.

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. Amen.

Gospel Lessons:

Luke 1:8-22, 67-80

(see addendum below)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song of Reflection

Sermon

“Men of Faith”

Rev. Amanda McMurtrey

Special Blessing

Winnie Wolf and Bob Schuler
Andy Thompson

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral 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. Amen.

*Benediction & Sending Forth

Leader: Our worship is over...

People: But our service has just begun Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

*Indicates to please stand as you are able.

Reminder: We will worship every other week through the month of July. Since COVID-19 follows a 14-day cycle, it was suggested by medical professionals of our congregation that we meet on every other Sunday as we reopened. This time frame will minimize risk if there is exposure. Therefore, worship is currently scheduled for the following Sundays: June 21, July 5, and July 19. Determinations regarding worship in August will be made at a later date based on updated information.

Online worship via YouTube will continue to be provided through at least August and into the fall as needed. In-person worship will be different than online worship, so you are invited to choose one or enjoy both.

Weekly reflections are available in the outdoor chapel and online provided by Pastor Amanda. You are invited to come to the outdoor chapel for prayer and reflection whenever you wish. Please be sure to use social distancing and safety practices!

Luke 1:8-22, 67-80

⁸ Once when he was serving as priest before God and his section was on duty, ⁹ he was chosen by lot, according to the custom of the priesthood, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. ¹⁰ Now at the time of the incense offering, the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. ¹¹ Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. ¹² When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him. ¹³ But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. ¹⁴ You will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, ¹⁵ for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He must never drink wine or strong drink; even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. ¹⁶ He will turn many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. ¹⁷ With the spirit and power of Elijah he will go before him, to turn the hearts of parents to their children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.” ¹⁸ Zechariah said to the angel, “How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years.” ¹⁹ The angel replied, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ²⁰ But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur.”

²¹ Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zechariah, and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary. ²² When he did come out, he could not speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He kept motioning to them and remained unable to speak.

⁶⁷ Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy:

⁶⁸ “Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

⁶⁹ He has raised up a mighty savior^[a] for us

in the house of his servant David,

⁷⁰ as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,

⁷¹ that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

⁷² Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,

and has remembered his holy covenant,

⁷³ the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,

to grant us ⁷⁴ that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,

might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵ in holiness and righteousness

before him all our days.

⁷⁶ And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

⁷⁷ to give knowledge of salvation to his people

by the forgiveness of their sins.

⁷⁸ By the tender mercy of our God,

the dawn from on high will break upon^[b] us,

⁷⁹ to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,

to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

⁸⁰ The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness until the day he appeared publicly to Israel.