

**7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 19, 2020**

**Gathering
*God invites us to enter His presence***

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (*Time for Silent Preparation*)

! Call to Worship

Barb Finch

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you,
O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are
God.**

Let us worship the Triune God.

! Invocation

Barb Finch

LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory
in the heavens.

Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger. Amen.

Hymn of Praise 2

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
(Pamela Johnson)*

*Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise His name—I'm fixed upon it—Name of God's redeeming love.*

*Hither to Thy love has blest me; Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me safely home by Thy good grace.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with His precious blood.*

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:*

*Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.
Amen.*

Confessing
God invites us to be honest with Him

Prayer of Confession

Barb Finch

(Responsively)

Merciful God,
for the things we have done that we regret,
forgive us;
for the things we have failed to do that we regret,
forgive us;
for all the times we have acted without love,
forgive us;
for all the times we have reacted without thought,
forgive us;
for all the times we have withdrawn care,
forgive us;
for all the times we have failed to forgive,
forgive us.
For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid, for unfinished tasks and
unfulfilled hopes,
God of all time, forgive us and help us to lay down our burden of regret. Amen.

Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Barb Finch

While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin. *Amen.*

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God!

🕯 Gloria Patri

*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.
A-men, A-men.*

Offering

Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Offering

**Please place your offerings in the plate in the back of the church on your way out.*

Special Music *A Bach Impromptu
Dan Baker*

! Doxology *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.*

! Prayer of Dedication

Blessed you are, O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed you are forever and ever. Yours are the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty! Yours are the mercy and patience, the loving-kindness, long-suffering, and covenant faithfulness! Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.
In your hand are power and might and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.
Prosper these gifts that we have brought you.
Bless the service we would render you, that we may be profitable servants, that your kingdom may come, for yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory.
Blessed be you, O Father.
Worship and praise be yours evermore.
In the name of your Son, our Savior,
we would serve you now and evermore. **Amen.**

Proclaiming

God speaks to us through His Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson Jonah 1

¹ Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, ² “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me.” ³ But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.

⁴ But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up. ⁵ Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep. ⁶ So the captain came and said to him, “What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your god! Perhaps the god will give a thought to us, that we may not perish.”

⁷ And they said to one another, “Come, let us cast lots, that we may know on whose account this evil has come upon us.” So they cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah. ⁸ Then they said to him, “Tell us on whose account this evil has come upon us. What is your occupation? And where do you come from? What is your country? And of what people are you?” ⁹ And he said to them, “I am a Hebrew, and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.” ¹⁰ Then the men were exceedingly afraid and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

¹¹ Then they said to him, “What shall we do to you, that the sea may quiet down for us?” For the sea grew more and more tempestuous. ¹² He said to them, “Pick me up and hurl me into the sea; then the sea will quiet down for you, for I know it is because of me that this great tempest has come upon you.” ¹³ Nevertheless, the men rowed hard to get back to dry land, but they could not, for the sea grew more and more tempestuous against them. ¹⁴ Therefore they called out to the LORD, “O LORD, let us not perish for this man’s life, and lay not on us innocent blood, for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.” ¹⁵ So they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased from its raging. ¹⁶ Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows.

Sermon

*“Jonah Resists”
Tim Latham*

Responding

We respond to God’s Word

Hymn 349

Trust and Obey

*When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.*

(Refrain)

*Trust and obey, for there’s no other way to be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.*

*Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
But His smile quickly drives it away!
Not a doubt nor a fear, not a sigh nor a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.*

Refrain.

*Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
But our toll He doth richly repay; Not a grief nor a loss,
Not a frown nor a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.
Refrain.*

*But we never can prove the delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay; for the favor He shows
And the joy He bestows are for them who will trust and obey.
Refrain.*

*Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet,
Or we'll walk by His side in the way; What He says we will do,
Where He sends we will go—Never fear, only trust and obey.
Refrain.*

 **Confession of Faith** (*Apostle's Creed*)

**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, died, 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Lord, In your Mercy

All: Hear our Prayer

Commissioning

God sends us out into the world as His witnesses

Hymn 350

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

*'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word,
Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know "Thus saith the Lord."*

(Refrain)

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!*

*O how sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood,
Just in simple faith to plunge me 'Neath the healing, cleansing flood!
Refrain.*

*Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, Just from sin and self to cease,
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace.
Refrain.*

*I'm so glad I learned to trust Him, Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that He is with me, Will be with me to the end.
Refrain.*

 **Benediction & Blessing**

 **Organ Postlude**