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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(Congregation greets one another in the name of the Lord.)

GATHERING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee p551(G)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

L: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned in thought word and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

L: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of

Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GREETING

L: 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.

KYRIE ELEISON (TIMELINE)


Refrain




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.




Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour - ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

HYMN OF PRAISE (TIMELINE)

Glory to God in the Highest...



A) Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



B) Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

GREETING (ACAPELLA)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray...

C: Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 28:5-9

L: The First Lesson is from the 28th chapter of Jeremiah.

5 Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, 6 and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord and all the exiles. 7 But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. 8 The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. 9 As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

L: Here ends the reading.

PSALM 119:153-160

L: We will read the Psalm responsively.

153 Look on my misery and rescue me,
for I do not forget your law.

**154 Plead my cause and redeem me;
give me life according to your promise.**

155 Salvation is far from the wicked,
for they do not seek your statutes.

**156 Great is your mercy, O Lord;
be gracious to me according to your justice.**

157 Many are my persecutors and my adversaries,
yet I do not swerve from your decrees.

**158 I look at the faithless with disgust
because they do not keep your commands.**

159 Consider how I love your precepts;
be gracious to me according to your steadfast
love.

**160 The sum of your word is truth,
and every one of your righteous ordinances
endures forever.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 7:1-13

L: The Second Lesson is from the 7th chapter of Romans.

7 Or do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only during that person's lifetime? 2 Thus a married woman is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives, but if her husband dies, she is discharged from the law concerning the husband. 3 Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she belongs to another man

while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she belongs to another man, she is not an adulteress. 4 In the same way, my brothers and sisters, you have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead in order that we may bear fruit for God. 5 For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. 6 But now we are discharged from the law, dead to that which held us captive, so that we are enslaved in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the written code. 7 What then are we to say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet, if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." 8 But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law sin lies dead. 9 I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived 10 and I died, and the very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. 11 For sin, seizing an opportunity in the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. 12 So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and just and good. 13 Did what is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin that was working death in me through what is good, in order that it might be shown to be sin, so that through the commandment sin might become sinful beyond measure.

L: Here ends the reading.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ACAPELLA)

L: Please rise in honor of the Gospel.

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 10:34-42

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

34 "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. 35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, 36 and one's foes will be members of one's own household. 37 "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, 38 and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. 40 "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. 41 Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, 42 and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in

the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord.



CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON

“The Cost of Discipleship”

PRAISE SONG (VIDEO)

I Will Follow

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 into hell.**

**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 again to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy Christian Church,
The communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,**

and the life everlasting. Amen.

RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY (VIDEO)

Offering

OFFERING PRAYER

C: Gracious God, we are grateful that you welcome all who seek your love. Let these gifts be joined with our prayers, our presence, and our service, that we may live as faithful disciples. Use all that we offer to bring hope and healing to your people. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

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

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING

CLOSING SONG (TIMELINE)

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus p487(G)

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, follow Him.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

June 30 – No Bible Study this week

July 1 - @ 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study

@ 10:30 AM Sunporch Communion Service

July 2 - @ 1:30 PM - Bible Study at Sunporch

July 5 - @ 9:30 PM Patriotic Hymn Sing

July 7 - @ 6:30 PM Bible Study (Book of Romans)

FUTURE EVENTS: Help us Celebrate!

July 17-18 - Heartland LCMC District Gathering

Sign up to attend! St. John will pay for your registration.

July 19 - Fair Service - 11:00 AM - SCMA sponsored.

July 23-25 - Love Packages Road Trip! Let's Go on Mission! Youth and Adults Welcome

Food Pantry items needed: cereal, peanut butter, hamburger and tuna "helper meals", tuna, soups, toilet paper and any other food you would like to supply. We praise God for His generosity!

Update: Watermelons loved the rain!

Scriptures for 6th Sunday after Pentecost - July 5th

1st Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

Psalms 145:1-15

2nd Reading: Romans 7:14-25a

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Sermon Title: "Rest for Your Soul"

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