**Liturgist:** Eloise Rainier

Suggested Readings for July 7, 2024

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Ezekiel 2:1-5; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10;

Mark 6: 1-13

• In-person Attendance Last Week: 53

Sunday School Attendance Last Week: 28

It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians, not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ! For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here.

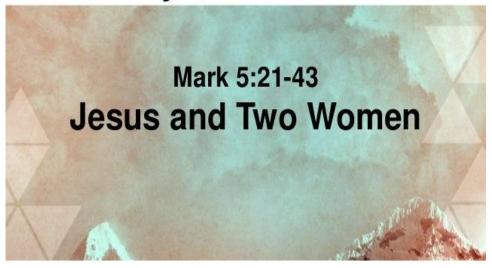
**Assorted Authors** 

Ministers: All professing members of Locust Grove GMC

Pastor: Rev. Booker D. Brown, Jr.



## **A Story of Two Touches**



Welcome Guest! We are happy you have chosen to worship with us. We pray that the Lord will touch your heart and fill you with the truths of God.

Locust Grove Global Methodist Church Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 AM Worship, 11:00 AM Sixth Sunday After Pentecost June 30, 2024

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(\*Please Stand as You Are Able)

## **ENTERING INTO WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE** 

\* PRAISE SONG

**WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive Reading)

L: We are here today to worship our God because we are free people.

P: We celebrate a time when our country declared its independence from foreign domination.

L: But still many things dominate our hearts: fear, apathy, intolerance, and anger, Lord free us once again.

P: May God hear our celebrations of gratitude and our cries for help.

L: Remember this day, how God has blessed you, and be a blessing to others.

P: Lord, keep our hearts and minds open to your word and your way.

\*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

God of freedom and miracles, we wait for your voice and direction this morning. We are so busy with the holiday celebrations and gatherings, yet the words of anguish arise around us. News of tragedy and war blare at us from all directions. Hear our cries, O Lord. Come and comfort and heal our wounds. Open our hearts this day that we might become people who bring peace and hope to those in despair. For we ask these things in the name of the master healer, Jesus Christ.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER Pastor Booker

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison) #895, Hymnal

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Booker

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Pastor Booker

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Pg. 798) Psalm 30

GOSPEL LESSON (Pg. 1530) Mark 5:21-43

SERMON "Freedom in Jesus" Pastor Booker

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version, #881, Hymnal Gloria Patri, #70, Hymnal

\* CLOSING HYMN "America, My Country, Tis of Thee" #697, Hymnal

## GOING FORTH FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

\*CLOSING PRAYER

\*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

AMEN.