## Tenth Sunday After Pentecost | Sunday, July 28, 2024

## Opening Words: Exodus 15: 1-18

## The Song of Moses and Miriam

**15** Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:

"I will sing to the LORD, for he is highly exalted. Both horse and driver he has hurled into the sea.

2 "The Lord is my strength and my defense<sup>[a]</sup>; he has become my salvation.
He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.
3 The Lord is a warrior; the Lord is his name.

<sup>4</sup> Pharaoh's chariots and his army he has hurled into the sea.

The best of Pharaoh's officers

are drowned in the Red Sea.[b]

<sup>5</sup> The deep waters have covered them; they sank to the depths like a stone.

<sup>6</sup> Your right hand, LORD, was majestic in power. Your right hand, LORD, shattered the enemy.

**7** "In the greatness of your majesty you threw down those who opposed you.

You unleashed your burning anger; it consumed them like stubble.

<sup>8</sup> By the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up.

The surging waters stood up like a wall; the deep waters congealed in the heart of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>The enemy boasted,

'I will pursue, I will overtake them.

I will divide the spoils;

I will gorge myself on them.

I will draw my sword

and my hand will destroy them.'

But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them.

They sank like lead

in the mighty waters.

<sup>11</sup> Who among the gods is like you, Lord?

Who is like you—

majestic in holiness,

awesome in glory,

working wonders?

- "You stretch out your right hand, and the earth swallows your enemies.
- <sup>13</sup> In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed.
- In your strength you will guide them to your holy dwelling.
- <sup>14</sup> The nations will hear and tremble; anguish will grip the people of Philistia.
- <sup>15</sup> The chiefs of Edom will be terrified, the leaders of Moab will be seized with trembling,

the people  $[\underline{C}]$  of Canaan will melt away;

- terror and dread will fall on them.
- By the power of your arm they will be as still as a stone until your people pass by, LORD,

until the people you bought[d] pass by.

- 17 You will bring them in and plant them on the mountain of your inheritance the place, LORD, you made for your dwelling, the sanctuary, Lord, your hands established.
- "The Lord reigns for ever and ever."

# \*Hymn: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" Hymnal 128

WORDS: Joseph H Gilmore, MUSIC: William B Bradbury

He leadeth me:
O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where e'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me; his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me; his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me; his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the victory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee since God through Jordan leadeth me.

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me; his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

#### Welcome Pastor Scott Clawson

#### **Call to Worship**

Children of God, you are welcome here. All of who you are—even your regrets and failings—is welcome here.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

Many of us find it easy to recognize our goodness and difficult to notice our sins.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

Others of us live under a shroud of guilt and shame, believing we can never be good enough to receive the fullness of God's love.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God.

However you enter this place, know this: you are loved, accepted, and called. May God's love draw us to honest confession; God's acceptance assures us of the work of grace in our lives, and God's call compels us to live in grace.

We come to tell the truth about who we are in relationship with God who loves us, accepts us, and calls us. Amen.

#### First Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 11: 1-9

**11** Now the people complained about their hardships in the hearing of the LORD, and when he heard them his anger was aroused. Then fire from the LORD burned among them and consumed some of the outskirts of the camp. <sup>2</sup> When the people cried out to Moses, he prayed to the LORD and the fire died down. <sup>3</sup> So that place was called Taberah, [a] because fire from the LORD had burned among them.

## **Quail From the LORD**

<sup>4</sup> The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat! <sup>5</sup> We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. <sup>6</sup> But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!"

<sup>7</sup> The manna was like coriander seed and looked like resin. <sup>8</sup> The people went around gathering it, and then ground it in a hand mill or crushed it in a mortar. They cooked it in a pot or made it into loaves. And it tasted like something made with olive oil. <sup>9</sup> When the dew settled on the camp at night, the manna also came down.

Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" Hymnal 127

WORDS: William Williams, MUSIC: John Hughes

Guide me,
O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through
this barren land.
I am weak,
but thou art mighty;
hold me with
thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven,
bread of heaven,
feed me till
I want no more;
(want no more)
feed me till I want no more.

Open now
the crystal fountain,
whence the healing
stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer,
strong deliverer,

be thou still my strength and shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread
the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death
and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises,
songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee;
(give to thee)
I will ever give to thee.

## **Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (Closed Prayer)**

#### Second Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 11: 10-17

Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The Lord became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled. <sup>11</sup> He asked the Lord, "Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? <sup>12</sup> Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors? <sup>13</sup> Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, 'Give us meat to eat!' <sup>14</sup> I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. <sup>15</sup> If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me—if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin."

<sup>16</sup> The LORD said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you. <sup>17</sup> I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take some of the power of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them. They will share the burden of the people with you so that you will not have to carry it alone.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Just Enough" Pastor Scott Clawson

\*Hymn: "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" Hymnal 340

WORDS: Joseph Hart, MUSIC: The Southern Harmony

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and power.

I will arise

and go to Jesus; he will embrace with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify; true belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye weary,
heavy laden,
lost and ruined
by the fall;
if you tarry
till you're better,
you will never come at all.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him.

I will arise and go to Jesus; he will embrace with his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

**Benediction: Pastor Scott Clawson** 

Beloved, receive this good news: Nothing can separate you from the love of God. <u>May</u> we go now in the blessing of God who forgives our sins and empowers us to turn once again to be and become who God calls us to be. Amen.

Postlude: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

#### 9:30AM WORSHIP LEADERS

Lay Reader: Beth Peterson Usher/Greeters: Melinda McCollum

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NMUMC by the Numbers: July 21, 2024

8:15AM: 28 | 9:30 AM: 22 | 11:00 AM: 30 | Online: 30 **Total Offering:** \$9,076.00 *Regular Offering*: \$5,901.00\*

Building Fund: \$2,500.00 Food Pantry: \$5.00 Mission, Puerto Rico: \$600.00

Pastor's Discretionary: \$70.00

\*Regular Offering Needed to Meet Weekly Budget: \$5,060.68

## **Church Meetings This Week**

Tuesday, July 30: Scripture to Life - 10:00 AM – Sanctuary

Saturday, August 3: Men's Breakfast - 8:00 AM – New Market Burger King

Saturday, August 3: Disciple - 10:00 AM – Ed Building Kitchen

On August 4<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM service, our youth will share their testimonies and experiences from the Puerto Rico mission trip.

**Fresh Start Service:** This service will be held at 8:15 am at Fairview Chapel. (6802 Boyers Mill Rd, New Market 21774) The design for this service is for those who want to get an early start on their Sunday and those who are seeking an alternate worship experience. Acoustic guitar, prayer, a short inspirational message, and Communion will be highlighted. The service is designed to last a half hour. OR join us later for an evening service at 6

Our speaker this Sunday is **Gary White** 

#### **Devotions Starting July 29**

## Monday (7/29)- Deuteronomy 1: 19-38

Have you ever had a perfect opportunity placed before you from the Lord but allowed fear to rule your decision? In what ways can you place your trust in the providence of the Lord when opportunities arise and you don't allow fear to intervene?

## **Tuesday (7/30)- Deuteronomy 3: 21-29**

Why was Moses denied access to the promised land (Deuteronomy 32: 51-52)? Does this seem like a minor offense to you? How would it feel to be denied an end goal when you have placed so much obedience, faith and time in achieving that goal?

#### Wednesday (7/31)- Deuteronomy 4: 1-8

Do you think the nation of Israel still honors the laws and decrees that the Lord set forth to their ancestors? Give examples of why or why not.

## Thursday (8/1)- Deuteronomy 4: 41-43

Why did the Lord set up cities of refuge for those who committed involuntary manslaughter? Where are the places in the world today where one can seek refuge from retaliation?

#### Friday (8/2)- Deuteronomy 6:1-9

In practicing Jewish households, a "Mezuzah" is placed at the most frequently used doorway. The Mezuzah contains a tiny strip of paper with each day's text on it. The tradition is to place your fingers on the "Mezuzah" and then place your fingers on your lips to remember, every time you exit the house, who you are and to whom and where you belong. How could a similar practice at your own home change your attitude as you enter a weary world?

## Saturday (8/3)- Mark 7: 1-14

Some theologians consider this passage from the gospel of Mark as the most radical words that Jesus ever spoke. Why do you think they consider this proclamation radical?

Sunday (8/4)- Worship in person or online.

**NOTES:**