Proclaiming and Serving Jesus Christ



Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 6th, 2020 10:30 a.m. † Service of Holy Communion



"Christ Preaching in the Temple," by Giovanni Francesco Barbieri, about 1625–1627.

Reminder - We ask that you strictly adhere to these guidelines:

- · You can sit in front of your cars in lawn chairs if you choose.
- Please use restrooms before you arrive. However, should you need to exit your vehicle to use a restroom, our hallway will be taped off in 8 feet increments. Enter & exit only through the side door. Do not congregate in the hallway.
- Please bring your own communion elements, bread & juice! We will not have extra elements on hand. Please use juice, as you cannot legally have an open container of wine in your vehicle!
- Offering can be left in a bin on the way out of the parking lot!
- If you are in a larger vehicle, please park in the back.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God...
- C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you 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.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

GATHERING SONG

I Will Follow

Intro
Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow

All Your ways are good All Your ways are sure I will trust in You alone Higher than my sight High above my life I will trust in You alone

Chorus

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow You
Who You love I'll love
How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose
I will follow (You)

<u>Interlude</u>

Yeah I will follow You yeah Light unto the world Light unto my life I will live for You alone You're the One I seek Knowing I will find All I need in You alone In You alone. *Chorus*

Bridge

In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow
Chorus

Ending

Yeah I will follow You yeah I will follow You yeah, I will follow You yeah

GREETING

P 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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray... ...in Jesus Christ we pray,

C Amen

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, "You shall not com-

mit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Change My Heart

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you. You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray. Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Prior to reading:
P The Holy Gospel...

C Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If

the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

After the Gospel reading:

P The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



SONG OF THE DAY

Because You Are

I am the work of your hands. Because you breath, I am. We are the light that you give. Because of you, we live.

Chorus

Because you are, so we are too. Because you are, we are with you. One body, one Spirit, one voice, and on heart, together in love because you are.

We have been filled with your grace. We have been changed by faith. So we have been saving light baptized in to new life. *Chorus*

We are your hands and feet reaching the least of these. Try to be servants of God; We have been made for love. *Chorus*

APOSTLES 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 to the dead. 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 to judge the living 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.

PRAYER SONG

Hear Us As We Pray

Lord, we call to you right now. Hear us as we pray. Folded hands and quiet hearts. Hear us as we pray.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

Come As You Are

Verse 1

Come out of sadness from wherever you've been Come broken-hearted let rescue begin Come find your mercy O sinner come kneel Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

Chorus

(So) Lay down your burdens lay down your shame All who are broken lift up your face O wanderer come home You're not too far So lay down your hurt lay down your heart Come as you are

Verse 2

There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary
Rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure
Chorus

Bridge

Come as you are Fall in His arms Come as you are

Verse 3

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal *Chorus*

Ending

Come as you are Come as you are Come as you are

BENEDICTION

P 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.

SENDING SONG

No Longer Slaves

Verse 1

You unravel, me with a melody You surround me, with a song Of deliverance, from my enemies 'Til all my fears, are gone

Chorus

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God

<u>Verse 2</u>

From my mother's womb
You have chosen me
Your love has called, my name
I've been born again
Into Your family
Your blood flows through, my veins

Chorus

I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God I'm no longer a slave to fear 'Cause I am a child of God

Bridge

You split the sea So I could walk right through it My fears were drowned in perfect love You rescued me So I could stand and sing I am, a child, of God

<u>Outro</u>

You split the sea
So I could walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love
You rescued me
So I could stand and sing
I am, a child, of God
I am, a child, of God ...

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C We Will! Thanks be to God!

PRAYER LIST

We hold the following in our prayers...

- Bernadette Stassen (mother of Dan Stassen, in hospice)
- Darlene Schuler (mother of Elaine Sandquist, in hospice with late stage dementia)
- Emilie Krause (hospitalized, recovering from heart attack)
- Harold Krueger (grandfather of Emily Snyder, hospitalized)
- George Wolf (SMSU Student recovering from accident, friend of multiple SSLC members)
- Karen Kupfer (cancer, mother of Ronda Bursell)
- Marie Seeman (breast cancer, recovering from surgery)
- Mavis Walbran (recovering from hospitalization)
- Mary Leonard (aunt of Ashley Grams, colon cancer and urothelial carcinoma)
- MaryJo Hennen (friend of Arlyss Hovland, diagnosed with Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia)

- Michael Weiss (diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma)
- Pastor Delwayne Hahn (former St. Stephen Interim Pastor, being treated for acute myeloid leukemia)
- Phil Green (nephew of Roger Green, has ALS)
- Rachel Hirdler (niece of Sandy Hoffbeck, continuing chemotherapy for Osteosarcoma)
- Steve Knutson (on going treatment for Multiple Myeloma)
- Family of Gladys Schreurs (grandmother of Matthew Schreurs & Jessica Leibfried)

Worship Participants - 10:30 a.m.

Presiding Minister Worship Team Pastor Lyle Snyder

Seth Boerboom, Abby Boerboom, Lindsay Leibfried