

The Saturday Bulletin for June 20th

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This Week's Calendar - June 21, 2020

- Sun. 6/21 8:30am** **Adult Sunday School Study Group** for *Gospel Discipleship: 4 Pathways for Christian Disciples* using Zoom. (watch for email with the link)
10:00am **Sunday Worship Service** Streaming online (watch for email with the link)
- Thurs. 6/25 10:00am** **Study Group** for *Gospel Discipleship: 4 Pathways for Christian Disciples* using Zoom. (watch for email with the link)



Please email your prayer requests to Howie by Saturday if possible. We will be able to include those names on the prayer list for Sunday's service.

LET US PRAY FOR...

Charlie Cunningham
David Dach
Jeanne Fordham

Derek Polzin
Darin Davis
Rolland Hayag



As we approach the 165th anniversary of our church, we are taking a look at the history of events that shaped who we are today. If you know what these ladies are doing, if you participated in this mission through the years, or even if you have heard the ladies talk of this event, please write down your recollections and send them to me. We will print some of them in the bulletins or Rocktonians as we head toward our anniversary date in October. Email them to:

johnsong755@gmail.com

You may also drop them through the mail slot at the church and we can get them there.



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Father's Day June 21, 2020

PRELUDE Ginny Dietmeier

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG *Down the to River to Pray* W&S 3164

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way

O sisters, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
O sisters, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the robe and crown
Good Lord, show me the way

O brothers, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
Come on, brothers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way

O fathers, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
O fathers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the robe and crown
Good Lord, show me the way

O mothers, let's go down
Come on down, don't you wanna go down?
Come on, mothers, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the starry crown
Good Lord, show me the way

O sinners, let's go down
Let's go down, come on down
O sinners, let's go down
Down in the river to pray

As I went down in the river to pray
Studying about that good ol' way
And who shall wear the robe and crown
Good Lord, show me the way

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: *Rejoice! God's love is poured out for you!*

PEOPLE: How awesome is God who showers us with love!

Pastor: *This is a day of celebration!*

PEOPLE: Let's celebrate God's mighty healing love.

Pastor: *It's time to worship!*

PEOPLE: We are ready! AMEN.

A Litany for Father's Day

One: We celebrate those fathers who intentionally prioritize family, balancing the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice.

Many: We pray for those fathers who, without a good model for a father, have worked to become good at parenting.

We celebrate those fathers who, by their own account, were not always there for their children, but who now offer those children their love and support.

We pray for those fathers who have been wounded by the disregard, even hostility of their children.

We celebrate those fathers who, despite divorce, remain intentionally engaged in their children's lives.

We celebrate those fathers who are adoptive parents, and whose love and support offer new life.

We celebrate those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the covenant of parenthood and always strive for their stepchildren's love and relationship.

We pray for those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart, more of who he is because his child came into this world.

We celebrate those who have no children, but purposefully care for the next generation as if they were their own.

We celebrate those who have fathered us in their role as mentors and guides.

We celebrate those who are about to become fathers, and pray that they may unflinchingly delight in their children.

And we celebrate fathers who have died, but always live on in our memory, made us more of who we are, and whose love continues to nurture us.

All: Amen

PRAYER SONG *It is Well With My Soul* UMH 377

PRAYER / PRAYER RESPONSE *Nada te turbe / Nothing can trouble* (Taizé)

SCRIPTURE (NRSV)

Romans 6:1b-11 Dying and Rising with Christ 6 What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For whoever has died is freed from sin. 8 But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Acts 1:6-8 The Ascension of Jesus 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth

SERMON Hit the Target: Lukan Discipleship

OFFERING/OFFERING SONG *To the Ends of the Earth* by Marty Sampson, Joel Houston

Verse:

Love unailing, overtaking my heart,
You take me in Finding peace again,
Fear is lost in all You are

Pre Chorus:

And I would give the world to tell Your story
'Cause I know that You've called me
I know that You've called me
I've lost myself for good within Your promise
And I won't hide it, I won't hide it

Chorus:

Jesus I believe in You,
And I would go To the ends of the earth,
To the ends of the earth
For You, alone are the Son of God
And all the world will see
That You are God, that You are God

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor: On this lovely day, at the end of the month of June, we praise and thank you, O Lord. We bring before you our gifts, our lives, our talents. Take all these gifts and use them for work in your kingdom. Bless the gifts and the givers of all gifts. AMEN.

CLOSING SONG *And Can it Be That I Should Gain* UMH 363

BENEDICTION

God has given you all that you will need as you reach out in love and caring to others. Go into God's world bringing the good news of redemption and hope. In Jesus' Name, go in peace and may the God of Peace go with you always. AMEN.