



July 05, 2020

**Season after Pentecost
Independence Day Observed
Holy Baptism**

**Message
Celebrate Freedom!**

**Scripture:
Luke 4: 18-19**



Our Mission

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

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HOMESTEAD PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 05, 2020 10:00 am Worship

Pastor Don Kephart; Bo Collins, Music Director

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we welcome Greg and Katie Alioto and their family and friends
for the baptism of Paisley Ruth.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Creator and Ruler of All: While songs of our nation's birth ring in our hearts, remind us to celebrate above all the oneness of the race you have created and the openness of the church you have loved. And help us, who are your church in this place, to be truly open to all your children and to pray for the coming of the day when all shall be one in him who has broken down all the walls that now divide us, even Jesus Christ, the Lord of both church and world. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)**

Pastor: The love of God is more splendid than purple mountain majesties.

People: God's Word of grace fills the spacious skies.

Pastor: The amber waves of grain remind us of God's abundant care.

**People: Above the fruited plain is God's eternal joy in anyone who turns
from sin and follows the path of truth.**

Pastor: In every nation, in every heart, God is working for good.

**People: Let our songs rise and let God's praise be heard from sea to
shining sea.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

*** 10,000 Reasons**

Come as you are

* Please stand as you are able.



Holy Baptism: Paisley Ruth Alioto
Baptismal Service available in pews
Song - Welcome to the Family

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory
Doxology
Prayer of Dedication

OUR TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF PRAISE

Come to me

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4: 18-19 (NIV)

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

MESSAGE

Celebrate Freedom!

Pastor Don

HYMN OF DEDICATION

696 America the Beautiful

BENEDICTION

Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.



Calendar of Events

Sunday 07/05/2020	10 am	Worship Service Baptism of Paisley Ruth Alioto
Saturday 07/11/2020	9:30 am	Homeless Lunch Prep

UPCOMING Events

and Important Dates

Sunday 07/12/2020	Homeless Lunch Delivery
Sunday 07/12/2020	Adult Bible Study 9:15 am
Sunday 07/12/2020	Worship Service 10 am
Wednesday 07/22/2020	Church Council Meeting 6 pm (tentative)

A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

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Please include the following in your prayers. You may also want to send a thoughtful card, make a caring phone call, or stop by for a short visit.

New Prayers and Praises

- ❖ Marie Coyne, mother of Tom
– *Prayers for quick recovery from injuries and pain she received from a fall*
- ❖ The sister-in-law of Patti Zapf
– *Prayers for healing*
- ❖ Betty Kondis, daughter Marilyn, and Family friend, Tracy
– *Praises for celebrating her 96th birthday this week. Prayers also requested for peace as she was unable to visit with her family on her birthday*
- ❖ Shannon and her brother Barry, friends of Alice Sedlak
– *Prayers for Barry as he recovers from a heart attack*

Continued Prayers

- ❖ The Families still struggling with the effects of Covid-19
– *Prayers for financial, physical, and emotional strength*
- ❖ Individuals and Families affected by recent social unrest
– *Prayers for calming and healing in our communities*

Our Friends and Members who are Shut-ins or in Care Facilities

- ❖ Dorothy Davies
- ❖ William Fred Crux
- ❖ Marilyn Myford

Serving in Our Armed Forces

- ❖ Sgt. Chip Conrad – National Guard
- ❖ Crystal Riley-Conrad – Army Medic
- ❖ Cpl. Lawson Priestley – Marine Corps

*To all who serve and have served our country,
Thank you for your sacrifice.*

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call or email your requests to the church office by Thursday of each week.



***SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR
PAISLEY RUTH ALIOTO***

INTRODUCTION

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

**RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND
PROFESSION OF FAITH OF
PARENTS**

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

Will you nurture Paisley Ruth in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

I will.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world?

I will.

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal Father:

When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and those who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.

****All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.**

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

Paisley Ruth, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**