

Bulletin for June 20, 2021 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Prelude *All of Creation* by The Creator Praise Band

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation P: We worship in the name of the Father, and the Son +, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Litany

WL: God says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

C: See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!

WL: We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry,

C: As servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger;

WL: by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute.

WL: We are treated as impostors, and yet are true;

C: as unknown, and yet are well known;

WL: as dying, and see—we are alive;

C: as punished, and yet not killed;

WL: as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing;

C: as poor, yet making many rich;

WL: as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

(Based on 2 Corinthians 6:1-13)

Gathering Music

When Peace Like a River (ELW #785)

1 When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

- 2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*
- 3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to his cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*
- 4 Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
even so it is well with my soul. *Refrain*

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

(A time for personal confession and reflection.)

P: Eternal God our creator and redeemer,

C: in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: We are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's grace has been poured into our hearts, creating them anew, through the Holy Spirit. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for you while you were still a sinner; and for his sake, God forgives all your sins. As a called and ordained minister in the Christ of Christ, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins. In the name of the Father, and the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

WL: Let us pray.

C: O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG

Children's Sermon

Gospel **Mark 4: 35-41**
(Before) **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**
(After) **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Music of the Day ***My Life Flows on in Endless Song*** (ELW #763)

**1 My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.**

Refrain

**No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?**

**2 Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain***

**3 What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain***

**4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain***

Confession of Faith..... Apostle's Creed

C: 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 into hell.

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.

Prayers of the People

WL: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Sharing a Sign of Christ's Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always! **C: And also with you!**

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

Offering

Special Music ***On Eagle's Wings*** (ELW #787) by The Creator Praise Band

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Calm to the Waves (ELW #794)

Calm to the waves.

Calm to the wind.

Jesus whispers,

"Peace, be still."

Balm to our hearts.

Fears at an end.

In stillness, hear his voice.

(Repeat 3x)

Post Communion Blessing

P: The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD

Blessing

P: The Lord God Almighty, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Music

And All the People Said Amen

Verse 1

**You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid you're not the only
We are all the same in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need**

Chorus

**And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen**

Verse 2

**If you're rich or poor well it don't matter
Weak or strong you know love is what we're after
We're all broken but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His son to save us all (*Chorus*)**

Bridge

**Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom the kingdom of God (*Chorus x 2*)**

Sending

P: Go in Peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

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