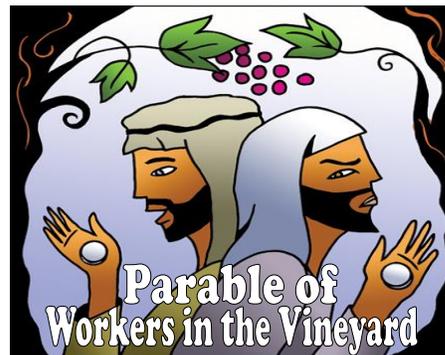


Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 2020



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

All Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence for reflection

P Faithful God,

**All have mercy on us. We confess that we are
captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.
Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,
and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection,
Christ has made us his own.
Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of ☩ Jesus Christ.
Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness
to do God's work in the world.

All Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

- 1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

- 2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM 145:1-8

- L I will exalt you, my God and king,
and bless your name forever and ever.
- All Every day will I bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.**
- L Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised!
There is no end to your greatness.
- All One generation shall praise your works to another
and shall declare your power.**
- L I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty
and all your marvelous works.
- All They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts,
and I will recount your greatness.**
- L They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;
they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.
- All The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

READING: PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30

²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 20:1-16

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

MESSAGE: Pastor Julie Rogness

MUSIC: *All Are Welcome* ELW #641 vss. 4-5
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**4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

APOSTLE'S 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.

PRAYERS - SHARING OF PEACE - OFFERING OF GIFTS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet table where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

DISTRIBUTION – Outdoor Drive-By Communion, 9:45 to 11:00 A.M. - Parking Lot

COMMUNION BLESSING The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his love and grace.

BLESSING Mothering God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.
Amen.

DISMISSAL Go in peace. Remember the poor.
Thanks be to God.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sid Strandemo, Faye Marcuson, Ron Grose, Barb Schaller, Lila Cole, Colette Flom, Stephen Berge, lone Overby, Ilene Bergh, Lynn Fromm (sister of Ed Fletcher), Ken Wold, family of Gary Strandemo.

DATES & EVENTS

[Today] SUN SEPT 20 from 9:45 – 11 am – Drive by Communion - Church parking lot.



[Today] SUN SEPT 20 from 9:45 – 11 am – Food Shelf Drive – Church parking lot.

Please bring a Food Shelf Item or Monetary Donation to benefit Kenyon All-Seasons Food Shelf.

HIGH NEED ITEMS: Pkgs of Mac & Cheese - Boxes of Cherry Jello - 1 lb. Coffee - Paper Towels -

Peanut Butter - Canned Peas - Canned Carrots - Canned Beans - Canned Corn - Monetary Donations.

Sponsored by Stewardship Committee.



WED, SEPT 23 @ 6 pm – OUTDOOR WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION – NE corner of the church under the pine trees. Bring your own lawn chair & mask. *Cancelled in the event of Rain.*



Oct-Nov-Dec – DEVOTIONAL BOOKS – NOW AVAILABLE

from church office OR the tote/container outside the kitchen/elevator door.