

2021

"Our Hope is in the Lord, for HE who promised is Faithful"

John 6:60

Πολλοὶ οὖν ἀκούσαντες ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ εἶπαν· σκληρὸς ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος οὗτος· τίς δύναται αὐτοῦ ἀκούειν;

Call Statement:

"My call is to share my Faith in Christ"

Mission Statement:

"To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior."

PRELUDE

Beth Helwagen

WELCOME AND PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: 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.

All: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Leader: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage 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.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

Please tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to Worship with us today!

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you all your 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.

All: Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you. (*Wave and/or Honk to each other*)

HYMN

LBW #230

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

Verse 1

Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
and bring to nought all He has done.

Verse 2

Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow'r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church, that we
May sing Your praise triumphantly

Verse 3

O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Almighty God,

All: Our heavenly Father, You have committed to Your Holy Church the care and nurture of the Faith in us. Enlighten with Your wisdom those who preach and teach and at the same time those who hear and learn that even the hard teachings bring forth Faith and rejoicing in the knowledge of Your truth; so we may worship You and serve You from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LESSON

Joshua 24:1- 2a, 14 - 18

GOSPEL

John 6:51 - 69

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

Who is Able to Hear???

HYMN

LBW #235

Break Now the Bread of Life

Verse 1

Break now the bread of life, Dear Lord to me,
As once You broke the loaves Beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek You, Lord;
My spirit waits for You, O living Word.

Verse 2

Bless Your own truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,
As when You blest the bread by Galilee.
Then shall all bondage cease, All fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, My All in All!

Verse 3

You are the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
Your holy Word the truth That rescues me.
Give me to eat and live With You above;
Teach me to love Your truth, For You are love.

Verse 4

Oh, send Your Spirit Lord, Now unto me,
That He may touch my eyes And make me see,
Show me the truth concealed Within Your Word,
And in Your book revealed, I see my Lord.

APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 INTERCESSION

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer..

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Pastor: . . . Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**All: 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.

THE SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: **Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

HYMN

LBW #176

For All Your Saints, O Lord

Verse 1

**For all Your saints, O Lord, Who strove in You to live,
Who followed You, obeyed, adored, Our grateful hymn receive.**

Verse 2

**For all Your saints, O Lord, Who strove in You to die,
Who counted You their great reward, Accept our thankful cry.**

Verse 3

**They all in life and death, With You, their Lord, in view,
Learned from Your Holy Spirit's breath To suffer and to do.**

Verse 4

For this, Your name we bless And humbly pray anew
That we like them in holiness May live and die in You.

Verse 5

To God, the Father, Son, And Spirit, ever blest,
The One in Three, the Three in One, Be endless praise addressed.

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!



**Today Sunday August 15th
Brown Bag Lunch Meeting**

The TNT Ministry Team will have a brown bag lunch following worship to go through our checklist as we resume TNT this year. **TNT Teens, this brown bag lunch is for you too** as the Leadership you displayed during Day Camp will have many opportunities to be **put into action** this TNT year!

Is God Calling you to Join the TNT TEAM?

You're encouraged to speak with Dave, Holly, Heather, or Pastor to learn more. We have many places where your gift's can be put into action.

Thursday August 26th 6 - 8 PM TNT RESUMES!! YEA!!

Thursday Nights Together, TNT, will resume with a Kick-off Celebration on Thursday August 26. Supper, games, and Worship will fill out the evening with laughter and JOY as we put our "Faith in Action"!

NEXT SUNDAY August 22, 2021

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 29:11-19 Psalm 14 Ephesians 5:22-33

Mark 7:1-13

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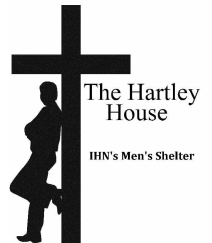
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Faith in Christ is once again collecting underwear (t-shirts and boxer shorts) for the men's homeless shelter, Hartley House, run by the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Appropriate sizes are small, medium, large, and extra large and any color is fine. This has been a very successful outreach ministry for our church, and the items are greatly appreciated by the men. We'll conclude the collection with a celebration by serving ice cream to the congregation during the Fellowship Hour. "Undie Sunday Sundaes" have always been enjoyed by all! WinS will host a celebration at the beginning of October.



"AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME,



I AM SENDING YOU."
JOHN 20:21, NIV