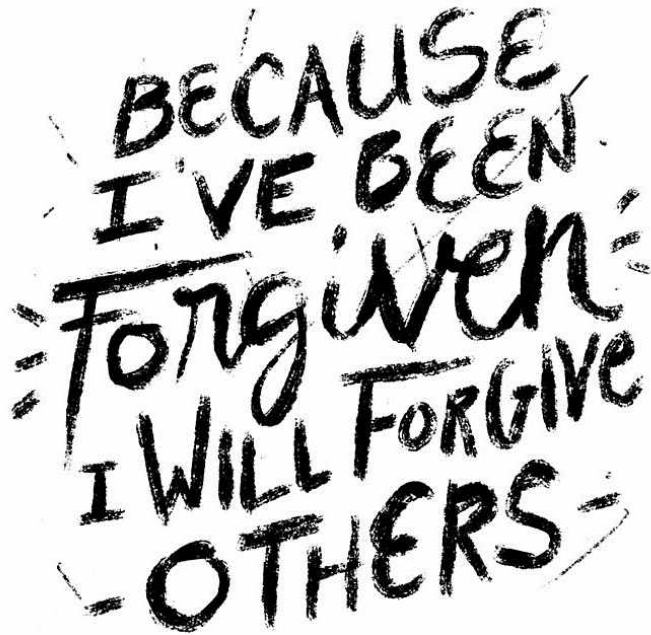


2020

“Behold, The Mighty Hand of God”



BECAUSE
I VE BEEN
FORGIVEN
I WILL FORGIVE
OTHERS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

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

Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with
confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace
to help us in our time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*

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.

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)*

SONG

To God Be The Glory

Verse 1

To God be the glory! Great things He hath done!
So loved He the world That He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life An atonement for sin,
And opened the life gate That all may go in.

Chorus

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!!
O come to the Father Through Jesus the Son;
And give Him the glory, Great things He hath done!

Verse 2

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Chorus

Verse 3

Great things He hath taught us, Great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our worship, when Jesus we see!

Chorus

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.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: Almighty and Eternal God,

All: **By Your Son You promised us the forgiveness of sins, righteousness and eternal life. By Your Holy Spirit lead and awaken our hearts that we daily pray for help in all afflictions, seek to be near Him, and believing the promise of His Word, obtain what we pray for, and at last be saved; through Your Son Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One true God, now and forever. Amen.**

Viet Dietrich was a student of Martin Luther and Philipp Melanchthon and later was their colleague as a Lutheran theologian during the Reformation.

LESSONS

Genesis 50:15 - 21

Romans 14:1 - 12

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:21 - 35

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

Have Mercy - Forgive!

SONG

You Are My King

Verse

I'm forgiven Because You were forsaken.
I'm accepted; You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because You died And rose again.

Verse

Chorus 1

**Amazing love, How can it be
That You, my King, Would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor You.**

Chorus 2

**Amazing love, How can it be
That You, my King, Would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true;
It's my joy to honor You.
In all I do I honor You.**

Bridge

**You are my King,
You are my King.
Jesus, You are my King.
Jesus, You are my King.**

Verse

Chorus 2

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

SONG

This Is Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Verse 2

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Chorus

This is amazing grace,
This is unfailing love,
That You would take my place,
That You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free.

Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Verse 3

Who brings our chaos back into order,
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King of Glory.

Verse 4

Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Chorus

Bridge

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave!
(3 times)
Worthy, worthy, worthy!

Chorus

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

NEXT SUNDAY September 20, 2020

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

Isaiah 55:6-9 Psalm 27:1-9 Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

Matthew 20:1-16

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