

First Sunday after Pentecost

May 27, 2018

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Pastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor and Congregation

PASTOR: God of love, speak to our hearts, for we have come to worship You.

PEOPLE: **We are people of God, created to love.**

PASTOR: We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

PEOPLE: **We are people of God determined to love.**

PASTOR: We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated.

PEOPLE: **We love neither from a sense of obligation nor to gain popularity or favor.**

PASTOR: We choose to love both the lovely and the unlovable because love imitates God's nature.

PEOPLE: **For the whole law is summed up in these commandments:**

Love the Lord Your God with your total being and

Love your neighbor as yourself.

ALL: God of love, speak to our hearts, for we have come to worship You.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP ... "Spirit of the Living God" ... p. 234 Congregation

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Exodus 19:1-6 and 20:1-2* Reggie Jackson

On the third new moon after the Israelites had gone out of the land of Egypt, on that very day, they came into the wilderness of Sinai. ²They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. ³Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: ⁴You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

Then God spoke all these words:

²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery...

HYMN ... "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"...vs. 1, 2 and 3 58

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rebecca Blake

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We pray you: in your mercy forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, giving thanks in all circumstances through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN... "Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire" 440

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Matthew 22:34-40* Reggie Jackson

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

ANTHEM... "You Are Lord" Choir

SERMON Pastor

CLOSING HYMN ... "They'll Know We Are Christians"... vs. 1, 2 and 3 272

BENEDICTION

SHARING LOVE AND PEACE

POSTLUDE

USHERS

TODAY Barbara Smith's Team

NEXT SUNDAY Eugene Crisco's Team

NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH

TODAY Shannon and Jeff Robinson and Lesa Speer

NEXT SUNDAY Chris and Barbie Blake and Laura Flach

CALENDAR

TODAY

9:00 a.m..... BREAKFAST
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m **COOK OUT! ... Please bring desserts**

THURSDAY

11:30 a.m..... **BOOK STUDY**...fellowship hall

PRAYER LIST

<i>Church family:</i> Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Jack Boone, John & Alisa Beard, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Florence Cagle, Thelma Hussey, Paul Hussey, Dwayne Blake, Ernest Dailey			Mary James	Benny McBride	friend
<i>At Home:</i> Helen Greene, Irene Warner				Bob Moore	nephew
<i>Friends and Relatives of:</i>			Butch/Nancy Jenkins	Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Monnie Jenkins	friend	David/Toni Kellis	Jennifer Denning	Katie's friend
	Tony Lawson	friend	Candy Loflin	Bill Boyden	cousin
	Toni Atcheson	sister		Cristie Thomas	friend
Jane Covington	Tammy Laprade	sister		Beth Holt	friend
	Faye Thomas	sister	Max/Jane Luquire	Misty Morgan	friend.
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	Barbara Lynthacum	Jo Brooks	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law		J.D. Thompson	nephew
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters		Melissa Green	daughter
Mildred Grey	Ernestine Stevenson	friend	Jean Maness	Carol Luther	friend
Ray, Frances Hudson		daughter	Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
Paul/Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson	brother	Lucille McLeod		brother
	Meryl Johnson	sister-in-law	Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
	Mildred Hunsucker	friend	Jeff Robinson	June Spears	friend
			Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
			Barbara Smith	Laura Wilson	friend
				Doris Hinson	friend
			Don McCaskill's wife ...	Angie McCaskill	
			<i>Service Personnel:</i> Devin Hurley, Mark Davis, Dylan McCaskill, Christian Rush, Seth Spivey, Garrett Wallace, Chris Stuart		

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly budget needs ... \$2,518.07	Monthly budget needs \$10,911.66
Last week's offering \$1,150.00	April offering..... \$18,203.87