

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 7, 2018

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP ... *from Psalm 63*

Pastor: Your steadfast love, O Lord, is better than life.

**People: Therefore our lips will praise you.**

Pastor: We will bless you as long as we live.

**People: We will lift up our hands and call on your name.**

Pastor: For you have been our help

**People: and in your presence we sing for joy.**

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP ... "Holy and Mighty" ..... Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Exodus 19:1, 2b, 3-7* ..... 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. Israel camped there in front of the mountain. <sup>3</sup>Then 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: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now 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, <sup>6</sup>but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."**

<sup>7</sup>So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him.

HYMN ... "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ... *vs. 1, 2 and 4* ..... 58

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ..... Brandi Powers

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Hear the commandments of God: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me.

**People: Lord, we confess that every precious gift comes from you; forgive our idolatry.**

Pastor: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**People: Lord, we worship only you; forgive us for chasing lesser gods.**

Pastor: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

**People: Lord, may our voices proclaim your grace and peace; forgive our blasphemy.**

Pastor: Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

**People: Lord, our time is in your hands; forgive our forgetfulness.**

Pastor: Honor your father and your mother.

**People: Lord, keep watch over our relationships; forgive us for neglecting our elders.**

Pastor: You shall not murder.

**People: Lord, may we be examples of your love; forgive us for celebrating violence.**

Pastor: You shall not commit adultery.

**People: Lord, may we use our bodies in ways that are pleasing to you; forgive our lustful hearts.**

Pastor: You shall not steal.

**People: Lord, use our hands as tools of justice and faithful service; forgive us for oppressing the poor.**

Pastor: You shall not be a false witness.

**People: Lord, feed our desire to proclaim the truth; forgive our lying lips.**

Pastor: You shall not covet.

**People: Lord, we offer you our possessions and positions in this world; forgive our greedy hearts.**

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Lord have mercy.**

Pastor: Christ have mercy.

**All: Lord have mercy.**

MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN ... "Ancient Words" ..... 31

OFFERTORY PRAYER ..... Usher

OFFERTORY

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ... *Matthew 5:17-19* ..... Molly Abbott

**"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.**

ANTHEM ... "You Are Lord" ..... Choir

SERMON

CLOSING HYMN ... "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" ... *vs. 1 and 3* ..... 48

BENEDICTION

SHARING LOVE AND PEACE

POSTLUDE

**USHERS**

**TODAY** ..... Eugene Crisco's Team  
**NEXT SUNDAY** ..... Dwight Saunders' Team

**NURSERY**

**TODAY** ..... Barbara Smith, Mary Williams and Angel Robinson  
**NEXT SUNDAY** ..... Shannon and Jeff Robinson and Lesa Speer

**CALENDAR**

**TODAY**  
 6:00 p.m. .... Choir Practice  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 6:00 pm ..... Supper ... **PIZZA SUPPER ... please bring desserts**  
 6:30 pm ..... Adult Bible Study and Youth & Children's Activities  
 7:30 pm ..... Finance Meeting  
**THURSDAY**  
 11:00 am..... Community Meal

**PRAYER LIST**

<i>Church family:</i> Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, Karen Dailey, Barbara Lynthacum, Florence Cagle, Jimmy Cagle, Thelma Hussey, Paul Hussey, Dwayne Blake, Ernest Dailey			Paul/Thelma Hussey	Harold Johnson	brother
<i>At Home:</i> Helen Greene, Irene Warner			Mary James	Mildred Hunsucker	friend
<i>Friends and Relatives of:</i> Molly/Wayne Abbott				Benny McBride	friend
	Monnie Jenkins	friend		Bob Moore	nephew
	Tony Lawson	friend		Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew
	Toni Atchison	sister		Don Britt	
	Tammy Laprade	sister	Max/Jane Luquire	Jo Brooks	friend
Sheila Capel	Ada Capel	mother	Barbara Lynthacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew
Jane Covington	Faye Thomas	sister		Melissa Green	daughter
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	Jean Maness	Carol Luther	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	Lucille McLeod		brother
Mildred Grey	Ernestine Stevenson	friend	Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
Ray, Frances Hudson		daughter	Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
			Barbara Smith	Laura Wilson	friend
				Doris Hinson	friend
			Don McCaskill's wife, Angie McCaskill		
			<i>Service Personnel:</i> Seth Spivey, Chris Stuart		