

**Sharing God's Love  
FAMILY MISSION  
AUGUST**

This month's project is in support of a five year old boy who is very sick with cancer. He has family ties to Emmanuel Lutheran Church. The family is struggling with cost of traveling back and forth to Akron Children's hospital and other expenses. They are very appreciative of any help they can get. Please prayerfully consider a donation to help this family through a very scary time in their lives. Let's show them a little bit of the love of Jesus. Please make your checks out to Lordstown Lutheran Church with *Family Blessing in the memo line*. Please keep this little child and his family in your prayers.

THANK YOU

**Dolly Lutz**

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*Creating a Community of Love  
Where All Are Welcome, Especially You!*



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**Sunday, August 23rd, 2020**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Rev. Kate Walsh - Pastor**  
**Mrs. Linda Falatic - Liturgist**  
**Mrs. Lois Dorazio - Music Director**  
**Mrs. Barb Paxson- Song Leader**  
**Miss Jessica Wilk- Organist**

## **Video Worship Bulletin**

### *Today's Worship Theme*

In Isaiah the people are advised to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and God's mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

### **WELCOME**

### *Entering Into God's Presence*

### **CALLING CHIMES**



## **PRAYER LIST & PASTORAL CONCERNS**

**Please keep in your prayers this week**

**World Concerns:** All those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus pandemic and all people of color suffering under the unjust practices of systemic racism.

**Immediate Health Concerns:** Terri

**Ongoing Health Concerns:** Mitch, Diane, Haley, Doris, Joe, Marion, Don, Phyllis, Ted, Ann, Robert, Karen, Leo, Jay, Virginia, Olivia-Rose, Elijah, Debbie, Tiffany, Lucas, Givhan Family, Karen, Ray, Phil.

**Compassion Child:** Marc Yvans.

**Those in Active Duty Military:**

Roger Housel, Jake Housel, Emma Briggs, Julian Krusely.

**Thank you for your prayers.**

Please call the church office at 330 399-7227 to notify us of friends and relatives who need to be added or removed from the Prayer List or would like a visit. For emergencies call Pastor Kate at 330 472-0228.

**NEXT SUNDAY, August 30th, 2020**  
*Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

### **VIDEO WORSHIP**

**First Reading**

**Jeremiah 15:15-21**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 26:1-8**

**Second Reading**

**Romans 12:19-21**

**Gospel**

**Matthew 16: 21-28**

## *Going Forth to Serve*

## CENTERING SONG

“By the waking of our hearts”

### CLOSING REMARKS

#### \*BLESSING

Pastor

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.  
God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ,  
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
bless you and keep you in eternal love. Amen.

#### \*SENDING HYMN

*On Our Way Rejoicing*

ELW #537

#### \*DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace, Christ is with you

**P: Thanks be to God.**

#### POSTLUDE

As a mainline Christian denomination, our church uses the common lectionary as a source for Scripture readings each Sunday. Forty-nine, worldwide denominations and thousands of churches follow this same three-year cycle of scripture readings. Together, with these churches we also participate in celebrating the seasons of the Church Year.

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**All: By the waking of our hearts  
By the stirring of our souls  
May the Spirit of God abide  
And bring us together in Christ**

**Come, O Spirit, from above  
Come from your celestial heights  
Come with your blessed light  
So radiant bright**

**By the waking of our hearts  
By the stirring of our souls,  
May the Spirit of God abide  
And bring us together in Christ**

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray together.

**ALL: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. AMEN.**

#### \*GATHERING HYMN

*God is Here!*

ELW #526

## *Confession of Sin and Forgiveness*

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity † , one God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**P: Amen.**

L: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

**P: Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. AMEN.**

*A Time of Silence for Personal Confession*

### **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### **SONG OF PRAISE**

**ALL: Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice!  
Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice!  
Rejoice, rejoice, again I say, rejoice!  
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## *We Respond in Joyful Service*

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*At the end of each intercessory prayer the Pastor says: "Lord, in your mercy" and the people respond "Hear our prayer"*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **OFFERING SONG** We are an Offering **ELW # 692**

**ALL: We lift our voices, we lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering  
Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands  
Lord use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering  
All that we have, all that we are  
All that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you  
We lift our voices, we lift our hands  
We lift our lives up to you, we are an offering  
We are an offering**

### **\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ALL: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. AMEN**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**ALL: 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.**



**First Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6**

**LECTOR**

*Just as God had called Abraham and Sarah and given them many descendants, so now God offers comfort to Zion. God's deliverance will come soon and will never end.*

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,  
you that seek the LORD.  
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.  
<sup>2</sup>Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
but I blessed him and made him many.  
<sup>3</sup>For the LORD will comfort Zion;  
he will comfort all her waste places,  
and will make her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

<sup>4</sup>Listen to me, my people,  
and give heed to me, my nation;  
for a teaching will go out from me,  
and my justice for a light to the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,  
my salvation has gone out  
and my arms will rule the peoples;  
the coastlands wait for me,  
and for my arm they hope.

<sup>6</sup>Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and those who live on it will die like gnats;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my deliverance will never be ended. **Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 138

*O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever. (Ps. 138:8)*

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you answered me;  
you increased my strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>**All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways of the LORD,  
that great is the glory of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty from afar.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>**You will make good your purpose for me;  
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.**

## Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8

### LECTOR

*In response to God's merciful activity, we are to worship by living holistic, God-pleasing lives. Our values and viewpoints are not molded by the time in which we live but are transformed by the Spirit's renewing work. God's grace empowers different forms of service among Christians, but all forms of ministry function to build up the body of Christ.*

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup>For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup>For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup>so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup>ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup>the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

## \*Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

*At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.*

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" <sup>14</sup>And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." <sup>20</sup>Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord  
Praise to you O Christ

SERMON Rev. Walsh

HYMN OF THE DAY *Build on a Rock (4vs)* ELW # 652