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BUT LET **JUSTICE**
RUN DOWN LIKE WATER, AND
RIGHTEOUSNESS
LIKE A MIGHTY STREAM.

AMOS 5:24

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 20, 2021

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Toccata in E Minor
Dr. Terry McRoberts

Pachelbel

INTROIT

Come into God's Presence

Anon

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Diane Sklensky

Leader: God of all blessings, you bless us richly.

People: *God of all love, you love us wholly.*

Leader: God of forgiveness, you forgive us entirely.

People: *God who speaks in language beyond words, you call us tenderly.*

Leader: God of compassion, you nurture us patiently.

People: *God of righteousness, you challenge us fiercely.*

Leader: God of our hearts, you move us profoundly.

All: *God of our lives, we recognize the power of your Spirit in this place, and we listen for your word. Amen.*

*HYMN OF PRAISE: 81 *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*

AUSTRIAN HYMN

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. John White

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Unison)*

Rev. John White

God of grace, we confess to you every uncorrectable wrong. We confess to you the damage we have done that cannot be undone. We confess to you unkind words that cannot be taken back, opportunities to do good that were passed by, actions that have done permanent damage. These sins grieve us bitterly, and we acknowledge our only hope is in you. Help us accept your gift of grace, letting go of the past and living boldly into a new future, forgiven and made new. Through Christ, our transforming Lord and Master we pray, Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Rev. John White

Leader: Brothers and Sisters in Christ, God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor does He seek revenge when we forsake Him. Rather, the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon those who love him. (from Psalm 103)

All: Thanks be to God, for His loving kindness has freed us both to give and to receive forgiveness! "Once we were no people, but now we are God's people! Alleluia! Amen!

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (*Hymn #441*)

NETTLETON

*All the sins I have committed, to my Savior now I bring.
I bow down with tears of anguish; Christ forgives and so I sing;
Jesus Christ, how much I love you! Jesus Christ you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me. Love me still and cleanse within.*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM, *Edward Warren Lumley (See insert)*

*Rev. John White and
Elder Lynn East*

***HYMN: 486** *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

KINGDOM

*Child of blessing, child of promise,
Baptized with the Spirit's sign,
With this water God has sealed you
Unto love and grace divine.*

ANTHEM

Canon of Thanks

Moore

Gabby Rogers, Kala Jordan, Izzy Aurthurs, Zane Milan, Evan Holt

THE WORD

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Libby Smith

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION, *Mitchell and Kate Watson*

Rev. John White

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

***HYMN: 626** *As the Deer*

AS THE DEER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Diane Sklensky

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 5:21-24 (Page 854)*

Diane Sklensky

NEW TESTAMENT READING *Luke 16:19-31 (Page 79-80)*

Rev. John White

**Congregation standing, if able*

RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from 1977 Declaration of Faith) Diane Sklensky
God sent his Son to proclaim release to those who are bound, to announce that God's promised kingdom is at hand, to urge everyone to repent and believe the good news. The Lord is moving toward the time when the glorious liberty of the children of God will be manifest throughout the whole creation.

We testify God is at work here and now when people obey Christ's commission to witness to him and make disciples of all nations, when they spread the good news by their words and embody it in their lives.

We believe that God sends us to tell all nations that Christ calls everyone to repentance, faith and obedience. We are to proclaim by word and deed that Christ gave himself to set people free from sin and self-hatred, from ignorance and disease, from all forms of oppression, and even from death.

We invite people everywhere to believe in Christ and become his followers. We urge them to join us in telling others the good news and in struggling for justice, compassion, and peace.

(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew, sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)

OFFERING
OFFERTORY

Rev. John White
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Interlude

Dr. Terry McRoberts

*Doxology (Tune: 591)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Rev. John White

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 372** *O for a World*

AZMON

SENDING

***CHARGE**

Rev. John White

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. John White

***SENDING FORTH**

We Go in Peace

Christopher

POSTLUDE

Toccata on the Doxology
Dr. Terry McRoberts

Young