May 3, 2020 ~ The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements ~ The Rev. Paul V. Stunkel

Prelude ∼ "*More Love to Thee*" (arr. Smith) ∼ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship (from Psalm 112) ~ responsive

Leader: Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments.

All: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Leader: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

All: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

Praise #616 ~ "Our God Is an Awesome God"

Our God is an awesome God who reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love; our God is an awesome God! (repeat)

Psalm Prayer ~ in unison
God of Light,
in your commandments we find life,
and in your wisdom is true happiness.
Inspire us to live generously and act justly,
so that our lives may reflect your love and righteousness,
and your name may be praised, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Reflection with children

Breathing Prayer

Response #455 ~ "Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken"

Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand. (repeat)

Hebrew Scripture ~ Exodus 20:8-11

Special Music ~ "New Again" (B. Ritter/M. Cosper)

Hebrew Scripture: A Poem ~ Isaiah 58:1-2; 3-5

Hymn #65 ∼ "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" ∼ verse 1

^{*}you are invited to stand as you are able

^{*}Hymn #35 \sim "PraiseYe the Lord, the Almighty"

Hebrew Scripture ~ Isaiah 58:6-9a

Hymn #65 ~ "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" ~ verse 2

Hebrew Scripture ~ Isaiah 58:9b-12

Hymn #65 ~ "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" ~ verse 3

Hebrew Scripture ~ Isaiah 58:13-14

Message ~ "If-Then. A command to rest and experience delight."

*Hymn #762 ~ "When the Poor Ones"

Community at Prayer

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer ∼ in unison

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

As we receive, please sing #507 ~ "Come to the Table of Grace"

1. Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.

3. Come to the table of love. Come to the table of love.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of love.

5. Come to the table of joy. Come to the table of joy.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of joy.

Prayer

*Hymn #314 ~ "Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness"

*Benediction

Postlude ~ "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (arr. Hayes)

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In lieu of flowers, a donation was made to the Board of Deacons Ministries by Harry McGregor and Judy McGregor in memory of Isabelle McGregor

Announcements:

PINK ENVELOPES: The pink envelopes were sent by the service only to provide EXTRA envelopes for mailing your REGULAR offerings during this time, NOT to ask for ADDITIONAL contributions.

Thanks to Kathy VanEck for making wreaths from the pages of the blue hymnals. Look for her handiwork on the web page in the section called Our Family-in Pictures. And they will be on display in the lobby!

Adult Forum - Discovering Hope in the Psalms

Please join us Sundays - 9:00 - 10:00am!

We are looking for what Psalm 71 has to say to us about praying for God's help and living in continual hope in times of turmoil. We will be studying out of Discovering Hope in the Psalms, a "creative Bible Study Experience" by Pam Farrel, Jean E. Jones, and Karla Dornacher.

Those of you who have purchased the book, have that handy. Everyone have a Bible, a writing utensil and something to write on available for the class. If you have not purchased a book, contact me, Kathy Potter, at christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church for help in obtaining a copy.

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After Church Hang Out! Sundays -11:30am - 12:00pm

After Church Hang Out! is St. Paul's time for our children and youth to meet up, talk, pray and hear about Jesus. We will hang out, sharing our life and faith. This week we will read a book by Patricia Polacco and see how it applies to our lives today! Hope to see you Sunday!

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Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65



Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

762 When the Poor Ones

Cuando el pobre





JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

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Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness 314



By blending biblical images and current vignettes in the present tense, this hymn connects Christ's promise that he is the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) and his charge to his followers to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). This is part of the church's servant calling.