

August 29, 2021 ~ 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements ~ Jan Lapenta

Prelude ~ *"All Creatures of Our God and King"* ~ Karen Danke

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

Leader: though its waters rage and foam, and the mountains tremble at its tumult.

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

*\*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

*\*Hymn #442 ~ "Just as I Am, without One Plea"*

Invitation to Confession ~ Robert Seymour, guest

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #743 ~ *"O God, You Are My God"*

*O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.*

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*I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.*

*And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.*

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ *"I Love This Family"* (arr. C. Bowes)

*I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one,*

*They've taken me into their midst and I'm so glad to be a part of this great family.*

## Offering Prayer

### Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 15 with Karen Barsy and Jerry Stone

Christian Scripture ~ Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Message ~ "Let's Get It Right"

\*Hymn #429 ~ *"As a Chalice Cast of Gold"*

### Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation ~ *"Meet Me Here"*

*Meet me here. Find me in my wanderings.*

*Meet me here. Deep within my soul.*

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.

\*Hymn #630 ~ *"Fairest Lord Jesus"*

### \*Benediction

\*Choral Response #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!*

Postlude ~ *"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart"*

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### Highlights from the August 17 Council meeting:

- 1- Pastor Nate will be taking vacation beginning the week of August 29th. Rev. Bob Seymour will be preaching that Sunday.
- 2- We have hired an arborist who will be cleaning up around the church. Please feel free to donate to the cause.
- 3- We will be looking for a Director of Music. Thank you, Jeff Velis, for a job well done.
- 4- Fall Fest will be October 23rd.
- 5- There will be a Coffee Hour Sunday, September 12th.

**From Pam Phillips... “Can you help greet shoppers? The dress room is open and doing great. Shoppers are only one to three at a time and by appointment only. I would make appointments to meet your schedule. Just need a couple of hours whenever you can. Let me know if you can help.**

**Thank you! Pam - 734-634-2445 [pamphillip@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pamphillip@sbcglobal.net)**

**Also, we need long dry cleaner bags.”**

**From Ben Bonandrini... “WANTED!! Bowlers are needed for the St. Paul’s bowling league. Participation is open to all congregation members and their family and friends. The primary purpose is for fellowship and fun.**

**Bowling talent and skill is optional. You only need to be able to roll a bowling ball to be a welcome member of a team. We bowl on Monday evenings at Oak lanes. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact me on (313) 702-1146 or by email at [bbonandrini@yahoo.com](mailto:bbonandrini@yahoo.com).”**

**From Kathy Potter... “We will be gathering again to make lunches for the homeless in Detroit on Sunday, September 19 following worship. Bring a sack lunch and beverage to eat before we begin the assembling of meals. Be prepared to practice social distancing. We are again asking for home baked cookies! Bring them the day of the event. If you wish to contribute to the purchase of supplies, funds can be turned in to the office with the designation of ROMANS. If you wish to purchase items, please contact me at 313-719-8467 to see what is needed!”**

**From Gary Earnley... “Life Remodeled is asking for volunteers for it’s annual ‘cleanup the neighborhood.’ This year it will be afternoon 1-5PM shifts from October 4-10. Please contact me at 734.464.7865 if interested in any of these days.”**

*In Our Thoughts  
& Prayers*

Gail Artinian, Ron Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton  
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Nancy Saunders  
Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Anita Falk, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant  
Bruce Phillips, Patricia Hutchison, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff  
Finley Farquhar ~ granddaughter of Eric; Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel  
The Dylegowski Family ~ friends of Jan Burgess  
Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham  
Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck; Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian  
Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit  
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright  
Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham; Mark Osborne ~ son of Janet  
Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of Gail Artinian; MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne  
Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour  
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin  
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips

Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie  
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank  
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

**Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.**