

St. Paul's United Church

June 21st, 2020 - Father's Day - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Greeting:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit: **Worship the Lord** **VU 401 (vs1)**

**Worship the Lord (worship the Lord)
worship the Father, the Spirit, the Son,
raising our hands (raising our hands)
in devotion to God who is one!**

**Raising our hands as a sign of rejoicing,
and with our lips our togetherness voicing,
giving ourselves to a life of creativeness,
worship and work must be one! R**

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Time for the Young and the Young at Heart

Hymn: **Come Touch Our Hearts** **MV 12**

**Come touch our hearts
that we may know compassion,
From failing embers build a blazing fire;
Love strong enough to overturn injustice,
To seek a world more gracious,
come touch and bless our hearts.**

**Come touch our souls
That we may know and love you
Your quiet presence all our fears dispel;
Create a space for Spirit to grow in us,
Let life and beauty fill us.
Come, touch and bless our souls.**

**Come touch our minds
And teach us how to reason,
Set free our thoughts
to wonder and to dream;
Help us to open doors of understanding
To welcome truth and wisdom,
Come, touch and bless our minds.**

**Come touch us in
The moments we are fragile
And in our weakness
your great strength reveal;
That we may rise to follow and to serve,
Steady now our nerve,
Come, touch and bless our wills.**

**Come touch us now,
This people who are gathered
To break the bread
and share the cup of peace;
That we may love
you with our heart, our soul
Our mind, our strength, our all,
Come, touch us with your grace.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Into this moment we pour our brokenness, our regret, our sins. We shed ourselves of them not because we have become pure or righteous, but because holding on to them weighs us down, they force us to look back rather than forward, they hold a place in our hearts that should be reserved for you. Forgive us when we let what we have done or failed to do limit who we might become in following you. Forgive us for limiting who you are by the ways that we understand the world. Shatter what we think we know. Reveal to us - even in a glimpse - your glory. We offer this prayer in the name of Christ, our guide through this life and beyond. AMEN

Assurance of God's Love

Illumination Verse: Spirit, Open My Heart **MV 79 (vs 2)**

**R: Spirit, open my heart
to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love,
in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.**

**Write your love upon my heart
as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed,
may my living bring you glory. R**

Today's Scripture: Job 14:7-15; 19:23-27

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise VU 264

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life, thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Affirmation of Faith VU 918

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Dedication Verse: For the Gift of Creation VU 538

For the gift of creation,
the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit
by which we live,
we thank you and give you
the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed
by the gifts that we give.

Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Gracious and holy God, accept what we offer of ourselves
to the building up of your kingdom: our time, our talents,
our treasures, our faltering steps, our brokenness, our
leftovers, our hope, our risking in faith, our very lives.
Bless and transform all that we offer and all that we hold
back, that new life may be ours, to celebrate and share in
Jesus' name. Amen

Prayers of the People & Lord's prayer

SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn: Sent Forth By God's Blessing VU 481

Sent forth by God's blessing,
our true faith confessing,
The people of God
from this dwelling take leave.
The supper ended. Oh, now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching,
receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action
for God and for all.

God's grace did invite us,
God's love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom
and answer its call.

With praise and thanksgiving
to God ever living,

The tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
Embracing God's children
of each tribe and race.

With Your feast You feed us,
with Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one

in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
with praise and thanksgiving
Give honour to Christ
and the name that we bear.

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Closing: God of the Bible

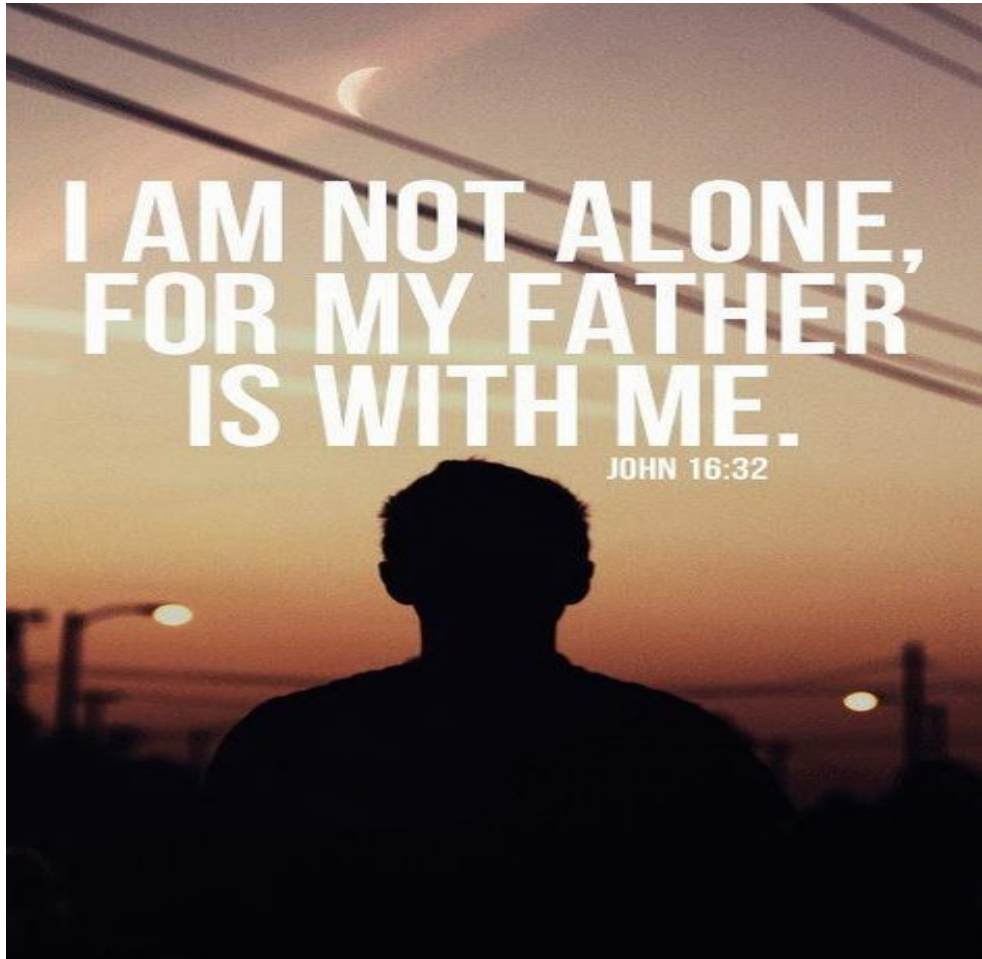
MV 28 (vs5)

St. Paul's United Contact Information

Hope we must carry, shining and certain
through all our turmoil, terror and loss,
bonding us gladly one to the other.
till our world changes, facing the Cross.

R: Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise,
God always faithful, you do not change.
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God always faithful, you do not change.

Postlude



Eric Hotte Church Manager will be off this coming week **June 22nd-28th**. Tuesday June 23rd Chris Grant will be in and Thursday June 25th Cathy Davis will be in 10-2. If you would like to drop anything off please call 458-1183 during those hours. Thanks

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This week **Rev. Richard** will be on vacation. **For Emergency Pastoral Care** from Monday June 22-Sunday June 28th, please contact **Ellen Bearisto: (506) 206-1943**

June 9th at 10:04 AM, Rev. Michelle, Mike, and Reid welcomed Ella Grace into the world. Mom and baby are doing well. Let us all extend our blessings and offer prayers for the family of Rev. Michelle, Mike, Reid, and now Ella Grace.

