

Hymn

“Fill My Cup, Lord”

W&S#3093

Joys and Concerns

Prayer List: Gary Smidt and Linda Amstuz.

Happy Birthday to Jackson Froid, Jodi Swartz, and Larry Anderson.

Happy Anniversary to LeRoy & Rita Smith—23 years and James & Jeanette Wilkinson—25 years

Pastoral Prayer—Lord’s Prayer

“Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH#94

Offertory Prayer

We give thanks, O Giver of Live, for all the gifts you bestow upon us every moment of every day. Help us to recognize the source of our loves, our blessings and our very being. Take these small tokens of our thanks and bless them so that they might be blessings to others. In the name of the greatest gift of all, Christ Jesus. Amen.

Closing Hymn

“To God be The Glory”

UMH#98

Benediction

Postlude

Glen Haselbarth

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Vision for 2021:

Overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace, as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
(Romans 15:13 NIV)

**3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship
June 13, 2021**

Prelude

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Welcome and Announcements

Kathi Schutz

1. Please put your names on either YouTube or Facebook. If you have celebrations and concerns, please share with us on either one.
2. Following the worship, refreshment will be offered in room 300.
3. Please share prayer requests, blessings, joys, concerns, worries, gratitude, and more on the prayer wall at the east entrance of the Church.
4. Vacation Bible School will be held for five days at 5:30 pm from July 18 until July 22. We need volunteers who assist programs and serve the meal during VBS. If you are interested, please contact the church office.
There will be an Education Meeting on June 16 at 7:00 pm.
5. Pastor Peter is on vacation. We have a pastor on call for funerals or emergencies. Please contact Larry Evans or the office if you need a pastor on call.
7. Last week we received offerings of \$5,350. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

Call to Worship

L: We gather this day to worship!

P: But we bring with us heavy burdens which weigh us down.

L: We gather this day to praise God!

P: But our hearts ache inside us and we feel we can go no further.

L: Come all who are burdened and who feel weighed down. Come to Jesus.

P: Lord Jesus, take our burdens and heal our spirits. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Lord of love and mercy, we come to you this day, at the beginning of the summer season.

This should be a time of relaxation and restoration, but our spirits still carry the burdens of the year.

Please give to us your healing love. Strengthen us.

We offer our cares and our prayers to you in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Silent Prayer

Opening Hymn

“In Christ Alone”

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Children's Time

Ginger Frizane

Scriptures

Rev. Dr. Ruben Saenz Jr.

Acts 6:1-7(NIV)

In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, “It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.”

This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicodemus, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

Isaiah 58:5-9(NIV)

Is this the kind of fast I have chosen,
only a day for people to humble themselves?

Is it only for bowing one's head like a reed
and for lying in sackcloth and ashes?

Is that what you call a fast,
a day acceptable to the Lord?

“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen:

to loose the chains of injustice
and untie the cords of the yoke,

to set the oppressed free
and break every yoke?

Is it not to share your food with the hungry
and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—

when you see the naked, to clothe them,
and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?

Then your light will break forth like the dawn,
and your healing will quickly appear;

then your righteousness will go before you,
and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard.

Then you will call, and the Lord will answer;
you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message

“Catch Fire for Justice, Mercy, and Truth”

Rev. Dr. Ruben Saenz Jr.