

The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
July 5, 2020

PREPARATION: *The following are the lectionary scriptures for this morning: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Isaac finds a wife Rebekah, in the homeland of his father. Psalm 145:8-14 The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, full of love. Romans 7:15-25a Paul confesses his inner conflict with sin; only God can save. Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 Jesus says: Come to me; my yoke is easy, my burden is light.*

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Prelude on MELITA”

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INTROIT (Sing the Faith) Hymn #2265 **“Time Now to Gather”**

Welcome Song

VERSE:1 Time now to gather, time now to feel Christ’s holy presence gracing this meal.
 Grain from the harvest, fruit of the vine; simple the supper, sacred the sign.

OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The LORD is good to all, and God’s compassion is over all that God has made.

Leader: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall
 bless you.

**People: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power.
 You uphold all who are falling, and raise up all who are bowed down. Praise the
 Lord!**

***HYMN (Sing the Faith) #2001**

“We Sing to You, O God”

Darwell’s 148th

VERSE:1 We sing to you, O God, the Rock who gave us birth,
 Let our rejoicing sing your name in all the earth.
 To you, O God, let songs be raised, in joyful hymns, our feast of praise.

VERSE:2 We wandered far from home out in a desert land,
 You shielded with your love our fearful pilgrim band.
 You kept us safe within your arms and sheltered us against the storm.

VERSE:4 O God, eternal God, we hide within your wings,
 the everlasting arms to whom our praises ring.
 Your word is true, your way is just, you are the God in whom we trust.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Eric Houghton

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord of heaven and earth, have mercy upon us. Even when we know and want to do what is good, we often fail to do it; instead, we do what we hate. Evil lies close at hand. Sin dwells within us. Warring impulses and desires torment our spirits and keep us from living as you command. Forgive us, Gracious God. Enable us to cast our burdens upon you and find rest. Teach us to walk beneath your yoke, following your direction, close by your side. (Pause for silent confession).

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

LEADER: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal #579)**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.”

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 24:34-38, 42,49, 58-67

The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S SERMON

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

This is the Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON

“Baby Wisdom”

Rev. Dr. David Shelor

THE RESPONSE

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

O God, you have given me all that I need, in gratitude I give back to you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”
John Brockman and Kristin Juergens

arr. Price

***DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

RESPONSE Hymn #2265

“Time Now to Gather”

Welcome Song

VERSE: 3 All who are hungry, come, and be fed. Serve one another this cup and bread.
All who are troubled, hurting, or sad, come, and find healing. Come, and be glad!

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them to the Lord.**

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

LEADER: We join the faithful of every time and place in singing your glory . . .

SANCTUS, Hymnal #581

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

LEADER: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith . . .

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION, Hymnal #582

Dying, You destroyed our death;

Rising, You restored our life.

Lord, Jesus, come in glory!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER

THE SENDING

*HYMN (Sing the Faith) #2221

“In Unity We Lift Our Song”

Ein' feste Burg

VERSE:1

In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration,

For brothers brave and sisters strong.

What cause for celebration!

For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,

who've shared with us our plight, who've held us in the night,

the blessed congregation.

VERSE:4

For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the Giver.

Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast whose hand will yet deliver.

Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away,

when hate and fear are gone and all our work is done, and we shall sing forever.

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“Chromatic Fugue”

Pachelbel

*For some, the Postlude serves as festive music to accompany their going out into the world.
Others prefer to remain seated and listen.*

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

NEXT SUNDAY, July 12th, 2020 will be the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost. *The lectionary scriptures will be: **Genesis 25:19-34** Esau trades his birth right for bread and lentil stew. **Psalm 119:105** you’re your word is a lamp to my feet; I have promised to observe it. **Romans 8:1-11** The Spirit of life in Christ frees us from the law of sin and death. **Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23** Jesus tells and explains the parable of the sower and the seeds.*

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. David Shelor

Stephen Allen

Eric Houghton

John Brockman, Kristin Juergens

Jeff Cockrell

Merry Lynn Morris

Preacher

Organist

Liturgist

Vocalists

Sound Technician

Videographer

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome! It is good to be together as a community while we worship in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

LIKE TO KNOW MORE? – For more information about First Presbyterian Church, its ministry and mission, and how we can grow and learn together, please:

- Go to the church website (www.fpcdunedin.org)
- Find us on Facebook
- Contact the church office (727-733-2318, frontoffice@fpcdunedin.org)

PRAYER REQUESTS - the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)