



Union Evangelical Lutheran Church

June 21, 2020

Third Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE – Selections from Variations on "Foundation"...Joseph Martin

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN – "How Firm a Foundation" (LBW No. 507, vss. 1,2,3,4)

How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, O saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 4 "Through - out all their life - time my peo - ple shall prove

is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply.
 my sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;

What more can he say than to you he has said
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,
 The flames shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign
 and then, when gray hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand."
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
 like lambs they shall still in my bo - som be borne."

WELCOME THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.
We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.
To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Let us Pray: Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GOSPEL – Mark 4:35-41 "Suffering"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Jackie & Jordan Bucks

JOB READING-3:1-10, 4:1-9

SERMON – The Rev. Gordon A. Camp

SPECIAL MUSIC – Morning Has Broken...arr. Brant Adams

Carson Mesics, violin

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

Expansive God, you bring diverse voices together to form your church. Open our hearts and unstop our ears to learn from one another, that differences might not overshadow our baptismal unity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Providing God, your creation shows us that life comes from death. Renew the places where our land, air, and waterways have been ill for too long (*local environmental concerns may be prayed for*). Direct the work of all who care for birds and their habitats. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Protecting God, sustain and keep safe all who work to defend others across the world (*especially*). Revive and strengthen organizations dedicated to caring for refugees and migrants while their homelands struggle for peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, you promise to be with all who are persecuted for your sake. Guide all who speak your word of justice and console any who are tormented or targeted for being who they are. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Compassionate God, you are with us and we are never alone. Bless all fathers and father figures who strive to love and nurture as you do. Comfort all who long to be fathers and all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reigning God, you bless us with guides and caretakers in the faith. As we give thanks for those who have died (*especially Onesimos Nesib, translator and evangelist*), increase our care for one another until we walk with them in newness of life. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hear these and all our prayers, spoken and silent, as well as the words for prayer that Jesus taught us:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

PRAISE SONG – “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” (WOV No.731, vss. 1,2,3)

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light,
take my hand, precious Lord, lead my home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;
be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted;
support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE – “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”...setting by Wilbur Held

Look at the exciting news from ULC!

Sunday Worship Services will continue to be emailed to you every Sunday morning. Check out **previous worship services** or **Wednesday** devotions by going to our website: www.ulclv.org. Click on the blue button "Click here for Virtual Worship".

Outdoor Worship Services will be held in the outdoor worship area behind the church building on Wednesday, July 8th from 7:00 to 7:30 PM. Bring your chair(s) or blanket; wear your mask(s); and enjoy worship and Holy Communion following safe physical distancing recommendations. Mark your calendars: July 8, July 22, August 5, August 19.

Learning Ark Christian Preschool- Due to concerns about the current situation with the COVID-19 virus and with careful consideration of the current CDC guidelines, we feel it is necessary to close our preschool for the 2020/2021 school year. Please know that this decision was prayerfully made with the health and safety of our students and staff in mind.
- Jacqueline V. Bucks - Director

Klotz Scholarship- Attention post-high school students – scholarship money is available through the Klotz Scholarship Fund. This is a one-time scholarship that will be awarded on a competitive basis by a selection committee who will review applicants from our church family. Eligible candidates must be active members of Union Lutheran Church and be enrolled in a post-secondary program and have completed at least one year of school to apply. All post-high school students enrolled in any post-high school education college, trade school or technical school are invited to apply. If interested, please contact the church office at office@ulclv.org for an application. Deadline to apply is July 15th.



VBS 2020 - Let's spread out the VBS fun and learning throughout the summer. Each Wednesday, for 5 weeks, (July 8, 15, 22, 29 & August 5), we will unveil one of our action-packed VBS days. All you need to do is click on the link that we email to you and your kids will see their ULC friends and learn the lesson, sing along with the music, and of course dance with "**Pharaoh Pharaoh!**"

Parents - be sure that your kids don't miss out. Why not send an email to office@ulclv.org and let us know what email address to send your child(ren)'s VBS fun.

Grandparents, Aunts/Uncles, Neighbors – think of the kids in your life. We would be happy to send our VBS love to them as well....send us their name and email address to office@ulclv.org!

Lil Pantry – We are so blessed to be able to help our community by providing food in our Lil Pantry. It is being used heavily. How can you help? Either drop off your food donations directly to the Lil Pantry or mail a check to Union Lutheran Church. We will purchase food and restock.

Northern Lehigh Food Bank and the Parkland Cares Pantry help to serve the food needs of our extended local communities. Since our building is currently closed, it is difficult to drop off food donations. Dianne Gillikin has volunteered her front porch as a drop off spot. Dianne and Carl live only a minute or two from the church at 5168 Stahley Dr. Schnecksville. Place your bags on their porch and Dianne will ensure that your donations get to the food banks.

Urgent needs are: peanut butter, jelly, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, soup, crackers, rice, beans, syrup, pancake mix, and toilet paper, but all donations are appreciated and useful!

Clothing bins in our parking lot **are closed again**. Sorry for any inconvenience. We will let you know as soon as they are reopened by the collection company. These bins are scheduled to open sometime in August.

Keeping in our prayers:

Chuck Allison, Nancy Antram, Dottie Bealer, Richard Carlstrand, Bailey Cummings, Lynn Fermato, Barry Fink, Bob Frey, Judy Gifford, Abby Graham, Jake Hammond, Linda Houser, Melissa Ludwig, Royal Olson, David Schneck, Barbara Spohn, Jeffrey Trapp.

Jack Krisko prayers for healing following surgery for skin cancer;

James Ruth, brother of Dick Ruth, in hospital with pancreatic cancer;

Ed Razzis is home following a second hospitalization. He will be receiving cancer treatment;

Leonard Dymond, relative of Steve and Tammy Dymond, continues his recovery time from Covid19 in Colorado;

We pray for our homebound members, members of our congregation and community who struggle with employment, people affected by the natural disasters and our service people.

We join all of the Northern Lehigh Valley Mission District in praying for the congregation of Grace Lutheran Church of Belfast and their The Rev. Deborah Taylor.

Please contact Pastor Camp pastor@ulclv.org or the church office office@ulclv.org to share prayer concerns.



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