



The Celebration of Worship

June 7, 2020 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson
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Welcome

Introit

**All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one.
Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.**

Call to Worship

Leader: God calls us this morning.

People: We hear God's call to follow.

Leader: God's call is not easy.

People: It challenges and changes us.

All: May we hear the call and take the hard path. May the Spirit go with us.

Gathering Hymn

"Oh Lord your Tenderness"

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of God's Grace

All: God of mercy, When we walk through this world and fail to see the pain in creation; when we walk through our lives and fail to see the ones in need; help us look with Your eyes and see the world with compassion. Forgive us our placidness and grant us courage to stand by those in need.

Leader: God loves us enough to stir us and refine us, to seek God's presence in new ways. God's love won't fail us.

All: Thanks be to God.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Discovery Table

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

Hymn of Grace

"Change My Heart, O God"

Unison Prayer Of Guidance

All: Now may the words of our mouth, the meditation of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and our Redeemer. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 43

Vindicate me, my God, and plead my cause against an unfaithful nation. Rescue me from those who are deceitful and wicked. You are God my stronghold. Why have You rejected me? Why must I go about mourning, oppressed by the enemy? Send me Your light and Your faithful care, let them lead me; let them bring me to Your holy mountain, to the place where You dwell. Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight. I will praise You with the lyre, O God, my God. Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise the Lord, my Savior and my God.

Second Scripture Reading

Matt 10:26-36

[Jesus said] "So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. "Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven. "Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to turn "a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; a person's enemies will be the members of their own household.

Sermon

Rola Al Ashkar

“Sword not Peace”

Opportunity To Present Offerings & Doxology

Please enter any prayer requests, joys or concerns, in the comments of the Facebook Live video so we can include you in our prayers.

All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer Of Dedication

Joys & Concerns/ Pastoral Prayer

Veronica Gould

The Lord’s Prayer

All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending Hymn

“The Summons ”

Benediction

Rola Al Ashkar

Response: “Shalom”

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)

Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)