



## The Celebration of Worship

June 27, 2021 Veronica's Final Sermon

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson  
Pastoral Resident: Veronica Gould  
Worship Leader: Betsy Eskridge  
Pianist: Wade Tambara  
Japanese Reader: Michael Wright  
Zoom Moderator: Lori Hart

### Welcome and Announcements

Veronica Gould

*Please join in lighting a candle at home.*

### 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

Betsy Eskridge

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, children of the Most High God!

**People: Praise God's Holy Name!**

Leader: Weeping may last for the night.

**People: But joy comes in the morning.**

Leader: My soul will not be silent--

**All: Let my soul rise with songs of praise!**

### Confession Prayer

Betsy Eskridge

**All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

### Assurance of God's Grace

Betsy Eskridge

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**All: May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen**

### Response to God's Forgiveness

**All: Glory be to Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.**

### Passing of the Peace

Betsy Eskridge

Leader: The peace of Lord be with you always.

**All: And also with you.**

### Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

### Hymn

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

### Unison Prayer Of Guidance

Betsy Eskridge

**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.**

### Japanese Reading: Psalm 130:5-7

Michael Wright

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is great power to redeem.

### 1st Scripture Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33

Betsy Eskridge

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him." The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul that seeks Him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although He causes grief, He will have compassion according to the abundance of His steadfast love; for He does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading: Mark 5:21-43

Veronica Gould

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

## Sermon

Veronica Gould

## Musical Offering

Wade Tambara

*Time for silent reflection.*

## Opportunity To Present Offerings

Betsy Eskridge

## Doxology

Betsy Eskridge

**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

Betsy Eskridge

## Joys & Concerns/Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

## 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

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

## Benediction

Veronica Gould

## 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.)**

## In Appreciation:

Online Greeter  
Reception for Veronica

May Lee  
PPW