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11 am



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY



Gethsemane

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A special welcome to our visitors! We're glad to have you with us this morning. We pray that your spiritual life will be nourished through Word and song.

WE LOVE FAMILIES! Your children are welcome in our service no matter how much noise they make. Thanks for bringing them to hear the message of Jesus.

KID'S AREA: There is a kid's area available after the Children's Message. Have your children meet the workers in back after the lesson is over. You can pick them up in the fellowship hall after worship.

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CONNECT WITH US: Please fill out the connection card located in the back of the pew in front of you with as much information as you feel comfortable. Thank you for worshipping with us.

FELLOWSHIP: Please join us for snacks and fellowship after the service. It's a great opportunity to get to know our family a little better (and for us to get to know you)!

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Opening Song

Come, People of the Risen King

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(please stand)

**Come, people of the risen King,
who delight to bring him praise.
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing
to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth
we will lift our eyes to him,
where steady arms of mercy reach
to gather children in.**

REFRAIN

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice!***

**Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight.
For his perfect love will never change,
and his mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days
with the certain hope of peace.**

REFRAIN

We Confess Our Sins and Hear God's Promise of Forgiveness ¹

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Brothers & sisters, Scripture says that "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (Romans 6:23) It also reminds us that "The wages of sin is death." (Romans 3:23) In short, sin is a big deal.

Unfortunately, we cannot hide our sin. As Scripture teaches, "Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account." (Hebrews 4:13) Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Have mercy on me, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion, blot out my transgressions. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Cleanse me. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. (Psalm 51)**

P: Brothers & sisters, Scripture says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just; he will forgive us all of our sins." (1 John 1:9) This is because: "Jesus was delivered over to death for our sins and he was raised to life for our justification." (Romans 4:25) God did this because "He so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16) Go, then, in the peace of God's forgiveness.

C: **Alleluia!**

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

¹Not that a pastor has the ability to forgive sins on his own, but Jesus tells his disciples: If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven (Jn. 20:23) In other words, as Christians we pass on to each other the message of the Gospel with full confidence that it is truth: We have forgiveness of sins because of Jesus.

Song of Praise

Come, People of the Risen King
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**Come, young and old from ev'ry land,
men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands;
find the riches of his grace.
Over all the world his people sing;
shore to shore we hear them call-
the Truth that cries through ev'ry age:
"Our God is all in all!"**

REFRAIN

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice!***

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

(be seated)

⁸ Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. ⁹ Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. ¹⁰ For,

“Whoever would love life
and see good days
must keep their tongue from evil
and their lips from deceitful speech.

¹¹ They must turn from evil and do good;
they must seek peace and pursue it.

¹² For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous
and his ears are attentive to their prayer,
but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

¹³ Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. “Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened.” ¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.

The law of the LORD is perfect,
giving joy to the heart.

The commands of the LORD are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.

They are more precious than gold;
they are sweeter than honey.

By them is your servant taught;
in keeping them there is great reward.

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Redeemer.

The Gospel

Luke 7:11-17

(please stand)

¹¹ Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. ¹² As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.”

¹⁴ Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” ¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

¹⁶ They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” ¹⁷ This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

We Confess Our Faith in God

*The Nicene Creed*²

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(be seated)

CHILDREN'S LESSON



After the children's lesson,
a kid's area is available.
Meet the workers in back, and they will
take the kids to the playroom. You can
pick them up at any time.

² The Nicene Creed has been used by Christians for centuries in order to confess their belief in the All-Powerful God in the way that Scripture reveals him.

Song of the Day

God of this City
Chris Tomlin

**You're the God of this city
You're the king of these people
You're the lord of this nation, you are**

**You're the light in this darkness
You're the hope to the hopeless
You're the peace to the restless, you are**

**There is no one like our God
There is no one like our God**

**Greater things have yet to come
And greater things are still to be done in this city
Greater things have yet to come
And greater things are still to be done in this city**

**You're the Lord of creation
The Creator of all things
You're the King above all kings, you are**

**You're the strength in the weakness
You're the love to the broken
You're the joy in the sadness, you are**

**There is no one like our God
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The Message

FRESHNESS of Speech

James 3:3-12, 17-18

The Most Powerful Part of the Body:

When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts.

Though the tongue is _____; its power is _____.

Spitting Fire (Bad Uses of the Tongue)

Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

1.

2.

3.

Taming the Tongue

⁷All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

No _____ can tame the tongue.

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One . (1 John 2:1)

Jesus tames the _____ tongue &
_____ on our behalf.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Galatians 5:22)

The Holy Spirit _____ us to tame our tongues.

What Now?

1)

2)

3)

4)

Sermon Response

Create in Me

(please stand)

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.

C: Amen.

(be seated)



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Prayer of the Church

Spoken by the Pastor

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.**

The Words of Institution ³

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and give it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to all of his disciples, saying, "Drink from it all of you. This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you, for the forgiveness of all of your sins. Do this, whenever you drink of it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

³We practice "Close" communion. If you are a guest, please speak with pastor before communing.

We Sing Our Prayer to Christ

O Christ, Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of



God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us your peace. A - men. A - men.

(be seated)

Communion Song

Amazing Grace—My Chains Are Gone

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

REFRAIN

*My chains are gone
I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love, Amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

REFRAIN (x2)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God, Who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine



We Give Thanks to God

Song of Simeon

(please stand)

P: Lord, now you let your servant
depart in peace
according to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared before
the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles
and the glory of your people Israel.

The Blessing

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

C: Amen!

(be seated)

Closing Song

I Will Follow
Chris Tomlin

**Where you go, I'll go
Where you stay, I'll stay
When you move, I'll move I will follow**

**All your ways are good
All your ways are sure
I will trust in you alone
Higher than my sight
High above my life
I will trust in you alone**

**Where you go, I'll go
Where you stay, I'll stay
When you move, I'll move
I will follow you
Who you love, I'll love
How you serve I'll serve
If this life I lose, I will follow you I will follow you**

**Light unto the world
Light unto my life
I will live for you alone
You're the one I seek
Knowing I will find
All I need in you alone, in you alone**

**In you there's life everlasting
In you there's freedom for my soul
In you there's joy, unending joy
And I will follow**

**Where you go, I'll go
Where you stay, I'll stay
When you move, I'll move
I will follow you
Who you love, I'll love
How you serve I'll serve
If this life I lose, I will follow you I will follow you**

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Starting point** is the perfect class for newcomers and if you want to refresh your faith. Sessions are Mondays from 7-9p & Saturdays from 10a-Noon. Check out GatherToTheGarden.com/growth-groups to sign up. Contact gardenpastor@gmail.com if interested.
- **Small Groups** will be meeting starting in January. Sign up now at GatherToTheGarden.com/growth-groups to find a group near you.

Thanks to those who served this week . . . February 10, 2019

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Music: Linda Buzard

Ushers: Mark Warren, Dale Lucht

Kid's Area: Carly DeGrange

Fellowship: Jenni Spangenberg,
Barbara Gellatly

11 am

Music: Jon Fricke

Ushers: Ben Shaffer, Joshua Schmidt

Kid's Area: Dana Wimsatt,
Tamra Stansbury

Fellowship: Adam Groth, Eula Davis

Counters: Charlie Schultz, Linh Bibb

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