

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

4th Sunday After Pentecost/Father's Day

June 20, 2021

We Gather Together In The Lord's Name

Prelude and Tolling of the Bell

Coming of the Light

Welcome and Announcements

Morning Call to Worship:

Strength is commanding the wind and sea to obey,

Strength is using a slingshot in the face of a raging giant.

Strength is accepting vulnerability from inside the boat,

Strength is standing in solidarity with the powerless.

Strength is turning a cheek,

Strength is loving an enemy.

We come to worship a God who redefines our vision of strength.

*Hymn of Praise.....“Victory in Jesus”.....#370

***Opening Prayer: (please join in unison)**

Loving God, when we are inclined to worry or panic, speak with authority to us. Speak directly through Jesus so that fears may be confronted and our faith reinstated. Through him and in him let us spend our days and nights with the courage and peace of those who know they are being saved and sustained by a composed grace. And to you be the glory and praise; Amen!

*Observe the Peace of Christ: (Luke 10:27) ***“He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”***

Psalter.....“Psalm 9:11-20.....#744

*Hymn of Hope“How Firm a Foundation”.....#529

Children's Time.....”Jesus Loves Me”.....#191

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Promises of God Comes to Us Through The Word

Old Testament Lesson.....1 Samuel 17:32-49

Epistle Lesson.....2 Corinthians 6:1-13

*Gospel Lesson.....Mark 4:35-41

Gospel Prayer

Calmer of seas and restorer of lost faith, we come to you seeking faith that would move mountains -- faith that is the size of a microscopic seed. Too often, we go through our journey of faith complacent with the way things are, fearful to leave what we know in order to trust you more.

Yes, sometimes taking the first step is the hardest: when the boat is unsteady and the waves are violent, In the eye of the storm is where the calm lies. Speak into our storms. Calm our irrational fears, so that with clear eyes we can see beyond ourselves. Unite us in crisis, so that our actions will truly be communal.

Continue to invite us to cross to the other side because we know that, in following, we move into deeper relationship with you. We pray in awe and wonder of the Christ whose words continue to be a force to be reckoned with. Amen.

The Word of God Comes to Us Through the Holy Spirit

Affirmation of Faith.....“The Apostles' Creed”.....#881

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory (*baskets are placed at the entrance and exit for your convenience*)

*Doxology.....#95

*Offertory Prayer

Sermon..... “Alone In The Boat”Rev. Ben Rogers

Go and Share the Love of God

- (*please refrain from singing*) -

*Hymn of Commitment.....“It Is Well with My Soul”.....#377

*Benediction: Dismissal with Blessing

Now let us go out into the world with the same rebellious spirit that dares to defy the laws of nature by speaking to a storm; the same revolutionary mind that called peace out of chaos; and the same radical actions that made the wind and the sea obey.

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen.

*Postlude

Announcements & Upcoming Events:

- ❖ **Sunday, July 4-** Patriotic Sunday Celebration (Everyone wear red, white and blue to our worship service. If you showcase most patriotic, you'll win a Pastor's Prize!)
- ❖ **Sunday, July 4-** Feed The Hungry Sunday (Please bring your non-perishable food for Fairfield Community Food Bank.)
- ❖ Christmas In July begins soon! During the month of July, there will be a box designated for Fairfield County Sheriff's Office collecting stuffed animals for children in the area.



“As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear
him.” -Psalm 103:13 (NRSV)

Lectionary Readings for (5th Sunday after Pentecost):

2 Samuel 1:1,17-27

Psalm 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today at Bethel UMC by
Mrs. Annette Bruorton for the glory of God.

The Churches Are in Prayer For:

Monticello UMC- Ellen Bradley, Allen Brock, Don Gunter, Jacob & Helen Suber, Sammie Burley, Robert Davis, Noelani Dirnbauer, Sandra Harrison, Lindsey Gunter & the Gunter family, Bobby Mack, Sam Mack, Kenny Martin, Will Pope, Anne Robinson, Margaret Robinson, Bruno Schrieber, Irene Dukes, The Robinson & Nunamaker Family, The Houck Family, Tom & Brenda Davis Donald Chrome, Laura Collins, Sandra Pherigo

Bethel UMC- Bob Bazinet, Betty Jo & Harry James Beckham, William Bundrick, Sherry Crosby, Billy and Diane Dove, Epworth Children's Home, Buddy Beckham, Lila Lake, Jackie McDaniel, Greg Robertson, Sherrie Feaster, Lana Swancey, Ford Sweeney, Jimmy Perry, Jim & Theresa Glass, Jimmie & Gloria Parker, Mike & Alona Shook, Jan Velez, unity in our county, state, nation, and world, Jerry Arnold, Mary Cathryn Wilson, John Glass Sr., Joseph Schachner, Glenn Mack Eunice Hobgood, Michael Mazzaroli, Marian Faile, Huley Perry, Jimmy Lee & Bit Beckham, Baker Norris, Sheryl Ashford

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