BAPTIST CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 11 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 + + +

WELCOME | We invite you to add your heart and voice to the worship this morning as we continue into this season that has been called the "Year of the Church," the long season of Sundays after Pentecost when the worship focuses the people's attention on their call to ministry in Christ's name.

If would like to know more about the church, baptism, or how you may join, please contact the pastor. He would love to talk with you about your important decisions for the Lord as well as to pray with you confidentially, for yourself or others. —The Gathering—

I LOVE THE LORD for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. I love the LORD because he turned his ear to me; I will call on him as long as I live. The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion. The LORD protects the simple-hearted; he has become my salvation. Ps 116:1-2,5-6



ACCLAMATION & PRAYER FOR PURITY Leader This is the day that the Lord has made. All Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

cf. Mark 12:29-31

HEAR, O ISRAEL, the people of the Lord: The Lord your God, the Lord, is one. Love the Lord your God with the fulness of your heart, with all your soul, your mind, your strength. And you shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no greater command than these.

Hymn of Praise How Great Thou Art O STORE GUDⁱⁱ 1. 0 Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der Con-sid_er 2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the 3. And when I think that God, His Son not spar-ing, Sent Him to 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the roll-ing birds sing sweet-ly in the trees, When I look down from loft-y moun-tain die, I scarce can take it in- That on the cross, my bur-den glad-ly home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -REFRAIN the un - i - verse dis-played! thun-der, Thy pow'r thru-out gran-deur And hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze, Then sings my bear-ing, He bled and died to take a-way my sin! ra - tion And there pro- claim, my God, how great Thou art! soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav- ior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou OPENING PRAYER

-Service of the Word-

OLD TESTAMENT

Jonah 3:10–4:11

HEIT GOD SAW what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it. ^{4:1} But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. ² And he prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. ³ Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴ And the LORD said, "Do you do well to be angry?" ⁵ Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of

the city. 6 Now the LORD God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. 8 When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." ⁹ But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." ¹⁰ And the LORD said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. 11 And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

PSALM 145:1-8

RAWN HARBORⁱⁱⁱ

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God. Refrain

- Leader 1 I will exalt you, my God and king, * and bless your name forever and ever.
 - ² Every day will I bless you * and praise your name forever and ever.
 - ³ Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! * There is no end to your greatness. Refrain
 - ⁴ One generation shall praise your works to <u>an</u>other * and shall declare your power.
 - ⁵ I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty * and all your marvelous works. Refrain
 - ⁶ They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, * and I will recount your greatness.
 - ⁷ They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; * they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.
 - ⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of <u>compassion</u>, * slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Refrain

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 1:21-27

Fullippians 1:21-27 **F** \overline{OR} TO ME TO LIVE is Christ, and to die is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful lober for the flesh. the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴ But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. ²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel.

GOSPEL HYMM At Calvary W. NEWELL/ D. TOWNER 1. Years I spent in van - i - ty and pride, Car - ing not my Lord was 2. By God's Word at last my sin I learned-Then I trem-bled at the 3. Now I've givn to Je-sus ev - 'ry - thing, glad - ly own Him Now I **4**. **0** the love that drew sal - va - tion's plan! 0 the grace that bro't it cru - ci - fied, Know - ing not it was for me He died On Cal-va ry. law Id spurned, Till my guilt - y soul im - plor - ing turned To Cal - va ry. my King, Now my rap-tured soul can on - ly sing Of Cal - va ry. the might-y gulf that God did span down to man! 0 At Cal - va ry! free, Par - don there was mul - ti there was great, and grace was plied to me, There my bur-dened soul found lib - er - ty-At Cal

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

FESUS SAID, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' 5 So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' 7 They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what

belongs to me? Or do you be grudge my generosity?' $^{16}\,\rm So$ the last will be first, and the first last."

Sermon

Brother Joseph Payton



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE For the Church; the nation; the world; the community; the suffering; the lost; the bereaved

BLESSING & DISMISSAL Seek Ye First KAREN LAFFERTY^{iv} S EEK YE FIRST the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

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