



# Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## August 30, 2020

\* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude

### Gathering

Welcome and Lighting the Christ Candle

Acolyte: May the Holy Spirit unite us in worship, point us toward Jesus Christ, and inspire us to love mercy, do justice, and walk humbly with God. Come, let us worship God.

\* Liturgist: Give praise to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

**All: Sing of him, sing his praises; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

Liturgist: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.  
*Psalm 105: 1-4*

**All Singing: 581 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”**

Minister: To God’s people gathered in hope: Grace to you, mercy and peace, from God our Creator and Christ our Redeemer, through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Passing the Peace at a Distance

## Reconciliation

Liturgist: Remember the wonders the Lord has done, his miracles and the judgements he has pronounced. He is the Lord God; his judgements are in all the earth.

**All: He remembers his covenant forever, the promises he made, the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac, the decree he confirmed to Jacob – an everlasting covenant.** *Psalm 105: 5-8 adapted*

Liturgist: In that great confidence hear us as we pray:

**All: Forgive us our sins, O Lord. Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age, the sins of our soul and the sins of our body, our secret and our whispering sins, our presumptuous and our careless sins, the sins we have done to please ourselves and those we have done to please others. Forgive us the sins that we know, and the sins that we know not; forgive them all because of your great mercy. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Liturgist: Brothers and sisters, there is no now condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the sinful nature God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful humanity to be a sin offering.

*Romans 8: 1-3 adapted*

\* **All Singing: 682 “Before the Throne of God”**

Liturgist: Therefore, love with sincerity. Hate what is evil and cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

**All: Let us bless and not curse those who persecute us. Let us rejoice with those who rejoice and mourn with those who mourn.**

Liturgist: Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with all people. Do not think you are superior.

**All: Let us not repay evil for evil, being careful to do what’s right in the eyes of everyone. As far as it depends on us, let us live at peace with everyone.**

*Romans 12: 9-18 adapted*

## Proclamation

**All Singing: 899 “Seek Ye First”**

Scripture: Matthew 16: 21-28

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!”

Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet

forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

"Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: What God Carries

\* **All Singing: 928 "Lord Whose Love in Humble Service"**  
*Singing verses 1, 3 and 4*

## Dedication

Prayer (9:00 AM)

Ordination of Moises Pacheco as Commissioned Pastor (10:15 AM)

\* **All Singing: 956 "To God Be the Glory"**

Benediction

Praying with Elders – If you have a concern or joy that you'd like to talk or pray about with an Elder, one or two will be available in the shade near the sanctuary entrance following the service.

### Worship Leaders

Pianist/Vocalist: Erin Pacheco  
Guitar/Mandolin: Jeremy Hulford  
Percussion: Clay Carlson  
Sound Engineer: Schuyler Roozeboom  
Minister: Roger Nelson

### 9:00 AM Service

Acolyte: VanderWeele  
Liturgist: Barb Lavery  
Prayer: Wally Ottenhoff  
Vocalist: Marjie Coleman

### 10:15 AM Service

Acolyte: Cooper Westerveld  
Liturgist: Van Wyngarden

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