

The Season of Pentecost

July 19, 2020

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

William M. Runyan, arr. by Chris Rice

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

The Welcome

*The Hymn of Praise

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

T. Chisholm, W. Runyan, FAITHFULNESS

*The Call to Worship

Leader: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

Praise Team: Lord we wait patiently in Your presence.

Leader: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

Praise Team: God gives power to the faint and strength to those without power.

Leader: Lord, lift us up.

Praise Team: Lift us up!

Leader: Father, make us strong.

Praise Team: Make us strong!

Leader: Help us walk.

Praise Team: Help us run!

Leader: They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. Lord, we come now to wait in Your presence.

*The Song of Praise

Everlasting God

Ken Riley, Brenton Brown

The Confession of Sin

Leader #1: Lord, today we confess that we often live as those who have never heard of You. We plan and strategize as though the outcome depended solely upon us. We worry and fret like those who have no advocate.

Leader #2: *Forgive us Lord, for the scheming and conniving we do to make sure that we have our own way.*

Leader #1: Forgive us Lord, for grasping at power when You are the power, for seeking glory when all glory belongs to You, for not leaning upon You when we feel weak, powerless or alone.

Leader #2: *Forgive us Lord, for relying upon ourselves and other mortals when we should turn to You.*

Teach us how to live more like those who belong to You and less like those who belong to the world.

The Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do; God's mercy is more.

Whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not; God's mercy covers you.

You are accepted, you are welcomed, you are washed clean, you are set free.

People of God, trust in the Lord and be strengthened!

The Song of Forgiveness

His Mercy Is More

Matt Papa, Matt Boswell

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lesson

Genesis 29:16-35

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Message

"Leah: The Inequities of Life"

The Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS

*The Hymn of Response

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

Julia C. Cory, KREMSER

The News of the Church Alive

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Postludium in G

John Stainer

*All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders:

Preaching – The Reverend El Zwart; Organ – Beth Sweers; Praise Team.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH PRAYERS & CONCERNS

For prayer updates during the week, please call the **Prayer Line** – 534-0113

We extend prayers of healing & comfort for:

- Pray for anyone affected in any way by **the Corona virus**.
- **Jack Kosten**, under the care of hospice.
- **Vonda Style**, received her biopsy results and the mass is benign.
- **Chuck and Josephine Duimstra**, for ongoing health concerns. Josephine is currently at Trillium Woods.
- **Mark Engels**, at home recovering from planned open heart surgery.
- **Continued prayers for: Roy DeJonge, Karin Dykstra, Curt Stoel, Jim Scovel, Maria, Oskam's grandson Finley, Kaitlin Kremers Lyons**

Please keep all our military troops in your prayers, especially:

- **Dustin Lambries, Jeremy Stegehuis, Jeff Shuck & Tony Shuck** (Betty Isenga's grandsons),
Edward Peter Tolhurst (Pat Bird's nephew)

Please keep in your hearts and minds:

- Our **Family at Home members** - Judy Baartman, Vern & Norma Boss, Milo Buikema, Sharon Bouwman, Bill & Helen Dertien, Arlene Jacobitz, Kathy Kermeen, Ev Lindhout, Kay Mekkes, Dorothy VanderLaan, Evelyn Watson, Lois Wing, Mary Zomerlei

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Stewardship Update – July 19, 2020

Week of July 12 Mail & After Office

July 12 Offering: \$ 4,195.00

Online Giving: \$ 5,192.00

Mail in Offering: \$ 5,325.00

Total Offering: \$ 14,712.00

July Total: \$ 34,776.00

July Goal: \$ 75,000.00

Outstanding Mortgage Balance \$306,978.00

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