

Covenant Community Church



6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2020

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Beloved of God, the winter is past, the flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come.

People: Let us lift our voices in praise to our God.

Leader: God's creation delights and astonishes.

People: Let the people pause and wonder!

Leader: God, the creator, has made it all.

People: Let all creation shout and sing! Alleluia!

Opening Song

Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird
Praise for the singing
Praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven
Like the first dew fall on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight
Mine is the morning
Born of the One Light Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day

Opening Prayer & 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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

We Hear the Word

Litany

Leader: You who are thirsty but do not have the money, come and drink,

People: That the word of the Lord might accomplish its purpose.

Leader: You who are hungry but do not have the price, come and eat,

People: That the word of the Lord might accomplish its purpose.

Leader: You who labor but do not get your reward, come and consider,

People: That the word of the Lord might accomplish its purpose.

Leader: You who scatter seed but do not reap the harvest, come and plant,

People: That the word of the Lord might accomplish its purpose.

ALL: Let us drink the water of life and eat the bread of heaven. Let us sow our seed in good soil, that others might reap the fruit of our labor.

Scripture

Romans 8:1-11

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Interlude

We Respond

Hymn #357

Lord Jesus, I Long to Be Perfectly Whole

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want thee forever to live in my soul.
Break down ev'ry idol, cast out ev'ry foe,
now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, look down from thy throne in the skies
and help me to make a complete sacrifice.
I give up myself and whatever I know,
now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, for this, I most humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at thy crucified feet.
By faith, for my cleansing, I see thy blood flow,
now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, thou seest I patiently wait;
come now, and within me a new heart create.
To those who have sought thee thou never saidst "No,"
now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation to Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

We Are Sent into the World

Closing Song

We are One in the Spirit

We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord.
We are one in the Spirit,
We are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Refrain: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
And they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand.
And together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land. **[Refrain]**

We will work with each other,
We will work side by side.
We will work with each other,
We will work side by side.
And we'll guard each one's dignity
and save each one's pride. **[Refrain]**

All praise to our God
from whom all things come;
and all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only son.
And all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us all one. **[Refrain]**

Response

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

Benediction

Leader: Go in Peace. Love and serve the Lord!

People: Praise be to God!

Virtual Coffee Time

Helping Us Worship

Minister to the Congregation:

Music Leader:

Scripture Reader:

Rev. Jeannette Conver

Peter Olson

Grace Wakeman

Romans 8:1-11 New Living Translation (NLT)

So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. ² And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death. ³ The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins. ⁴ He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.

⁵ Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. ⁶ So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. ⁷ For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. ⁸ That's why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.

⁹ But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you. (And remember that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them do not belong to him at all.) ¹⁰ And Christ lives within you, so even though your body will die because of sin, the Spirit gives you life because you have been made right with God. ¹¹ The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

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