

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

July 20, 2014 ♦ 11:00 a.m. Worship

ASP Sunday

Welcome

*Passing of the Peace

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *Surely the Presence* arr. Schrader, *He Is Exalted* by Twila Paris
Summer Choir

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: The Spirit is blowing. God is breathing new life in us.

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: The old ways served their purposes, but a different chapter is beginning.

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: We were not meant to remain the same. God intends for us to grow and change.

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: We want to be part of it!

All: Praise God! The Lord is doing a new thing!

*Opening Hymn #578 *God of Love and God of Power*

*Affirmation of Faith #881 “The Apostles’ Creed”

*Gloria Patri #70

*Centering Prayer

Creating and redeeming God, calling and sending Spirit, we welcome you and open our hearts to receive you into our worship. We welcome the love that is the essence of your Divine nature. We receive the Word and sacraments that mediate your grace. We welcome the one who is new to us and receive the one who is hurting, sad or lonely. We welcome the old and the young, the healthy and infirm and the strong and the weak, for we all have been or will be each of these in our turn. We receive your gifts and blessings with profound gratitude. Envelop us now in the mystery of your presence, we pray, as we seek to worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

Children’s Message

Ministry of the Word

Matthew 25:34-40 (NRSV)

Psalter Reading

Psalms 67

Hymnal, Page 791

Leader: “The Word of God for the People of God.”

Response #1

People: “Thanks be to God.”

*Hymn of Preparation #581

Lord, Whose Love

Sermon Text

John 20:19-22 (NLT)

Sermon

“Apostello”

ASP Team

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer #895

Offering & Offertory

Nobody Knows the Trouble I’ve Seen

Ron Thomas, baritone

*Doxology #94

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Good and generous God, we pray that your life would so overflow in us that our neighbors both near and far would be fed by your Spirit. Use the offerings of our resources and our lives to proclaim the gospel, spread your love and bring forth your kingdom. For the sake of Christ we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn #593

Here I Am, Lord

*Benediction

Leader: My friends, no matter how reluctant we might be to serve, be assured that we do not serve alone.

People: No matter how dim we feel our light may be, know that we shine brighter because we go forth with the light of Christ.

Leader: Remember that no matter where we go or what we do,

People: we do so with the certainty that God has called us by name and we are his.

Leader: Go forth therefore in the love, grace and peace of God through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

*Postlude

Like a Lion by Daniel Bashta

**For those who are able, please stand*