### **JULY 18, 2021**

#### EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome and Announcements

**PRELUDE** 

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive):

Pastor: Come away and rest for a while. Leave behind your busyness to be fully present to God.

People: We have gathered here to get away from life's burdens, if only for an hour, in this place where God's peace and steadfast love surround us.

Pastor: Sometimes we feel under siege from life's worries and troubles, and our bodies, minds and spirits are in need of healing,

People: Jesus is with us during this time of worship, and if we have enough faith to reach out and touch the hem of his cloak, we will be made well.

Pastor: Let us worship the Lord.

#HYMN #25 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

# PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison):

Lord Jesus, thank you for inviting us to gather here in this sacred place so we can rest our weary bodies and replenish our parched souls. We confess that sometimes we feel like sheep without a shepherd, and we realize how much we need your guidance to show us where the still waters and green pastures are. Come to us now and teach us about the kingdom of God and how to be faithful citizens of it. Pour out the Holy Spirit and fill us with energy and strength to cope with anything that life throws at us, whether we are ready for it or not, and whether we feel capable of handling it or not. As you have compassion for us in times of need, enable us to have compassion for the hurting people we encounter, and enough faith to reach out to them with loving hands so they can know your healing touch through us. We ask these things in your name, dear Savior, as we recite the prayer you taught your disciples to pray, saying...

# **#PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (Unison)**

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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.

# **#GLORIA PATRI (Unison):**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 23 (page number)

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (page number)

SERMON MESSAGE: Enough Faith Rev. Gagnon

#HYMN #395 We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness

### PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Invitation to Pray and Receiving the Prayer Request Slips Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer Organ Response

# **OFFERTORY**

Offertory Invitation
Offertory Music
# Doxology (#45 – Old Hundredth)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# #Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Receive these gifts, gracious God, which we bring to you along with our time and talents. Use what we have given to strengthen the ministries and programs of our church so that this faith community may be a tangible sign of your love to those in need. Give us enough faith to risk living as Christ in this world, to be co-workers in helping build up your realm of justice and peace, and to bring glory and honor to your name. Amen.

#HYMN #402 O Christ, the Healer

#### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: We know what it is like to be lost and in need, like sheep without a shepherd.

People: That is why we came to this place to rest a while and find direction from Christ.

Pastor: After we leave here, opportunities for ministry will be waiting for us. Wherever we go, there will be people in need of our healing presence.

People: We will ask Jesus for enough faith to reach out to the needy around us and be a blessing to them, using Christ's teachings to guide us and God's strength to empower us.

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

### POSTLUDE