



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost, July 26, 2020
Fayetteville First UMC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 77:11-20

Dr. Martin and **People**

I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD;

I will remember your wonders of old.

**I will meditate on all your work,
and muse on your mighty deeds.**

Your way, O God, is holy.

What god is so great as our God?

**You are the God who works wonders;
you have displayed your might among the peoples.**

**With your strong arm you redeemed your people,
the descendants of Jacob and Joseph**

When the waters saw you, O God,
when the waters saw you, they were afraid;
the very deep trembled.

**The clouds poured out water;
the skies thundered;
your arrows flashed on every side.**

The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind;
**your lightnings lit up the world;
the earth trembled and shook.**

Your way was through the sea,
your path, through the mighty waters;
yet your footprints were unseen.

**You led your people like a flock
by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. **universal* *UMH 881*

***GLORIA PATRI**

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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. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

“The peace of Christ be with you.” “And also with you.”

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Dr. Martin

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

But By Love

Dan Forrest

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.

That ye be likeminded, having the same love.

Of one accord, of one mind:

Let nothing be done through strife, but by love serve one another.

***DOXOLOGY**

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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.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

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***PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

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**Jesus, we on the word depend, Spoken by thee when present here,
“Thy Father in my name shall send The Holy Ghost, the Comforter.”
That heavenly Teacher of Mankind, that Guide infallible impart,
To bring thy sayings to our mind, and write them on our faithful heart.**

— *Charles Wesley*

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Galatians 5:22-26

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²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Spiritual Gifts Bear Spiritual Fruit

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

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Loving God, whose will for us as faithful followers of Jesus Christ is that we live by the Spirit, grant to us love, joy and peace. Teach us patience, kindness, and goodness. Shape us to be gentle and self-controlled. Turn us from passions and desires of the flesh that separate us from you and violate love of neighbor. Fit us for work in your kingdom now and evermore.

HYMN

Of All the Spirit's Gifts to Me

MEYER

*Of all the Spirit's gifts to me, I pray that I may never cease
to take and treasure most these three: love, joy, and peace.*

*The Spirit shows me love's the root of every gift sent from above,
of every flower, of every fruit, that God is love.*

*The Spirit shows if I possess a love no evil can destroy;
how ever great is my distress, then this is joy.*

*Though what's ahead is mystery, and life itself is ours on lease,
each day the Spirit says to me, "Go forth in peace!"*

*We go in peace, but made aware that, in a needy world like this,
our clearest purpose is to share love, joy, and peace.*

***BENEDICTION**

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*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

POSTLUDE

Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

*Please exit by the chancel only.
Place bulletin in recycling bin or take it with you.
Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.*

Please remember in your prayers:

Billy Arnold
Van Askew
Carolyn Broady
Ken Broady
Bill Bowman

Annelle Burch
Joe Byers
Quentin Cash
Richard Clayton
Howard Dunham

Sally Dunham
Margaret Grainger
Martha Hale
Cindy Jennings
Doris Kerlin

Margie McClendon
Lurlene Perry
Sue Sheddan
Mabel Wilbanks
Brad Wilkinson

In Memoriam
Jane Lewis Ginn
July 15, 2020

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with
the family of Jane Ginn upon her death on July 15.



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