

Our Lord's Day

July 26, 2020
8th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God
to full, conscious, active participation in worship.

Meditation: "Surely the Presence of the Lord" Song Sheet

Welcome! Pastor Eric W. Olsen

Call to Worship:

Leader: O God, send your Spirit upon us and light our path,
that we may travel the road you have prepared for us.

People: **Having heard your scriptures proclaimed, and your word revealed, enable our hearts and minds to more fully understand your goodness and your grace.**

Leader: Help us break free from ideas that no longer bring life,
that we may embrace the life-giving work of your Spirit.

People: **Challenge us to forsake paths that ask little of us, and help us resist the evils and temptations of this world, that we may truly follow the way of kingdom living. Amen.**

Hymn: "Speak, O Lord" Song Sheet

Prayer of the Day

Proclamation & Response to the Word

The Lord is here. Let us listen to Him.

Psalm 119:129-136: (Read Responsively)

¹²⁹Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with all my heart.

¹³⁰**When your word is opened it gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.**

¹³¹I open my mouth and pant
because I long for your commandments.

¹³²**Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as you always do to those who love your name**

¹³³Order my footsteps in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion over me.

¹³⁴**Rescue me from those who oppress me,
and I will keep your commandments.**

¹³⁵Let your face shine upon your servant
and teach me your statutes.

¹³⁶**My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your teaching.**

A Reading from: Matthew 5:27-32 "Adultery & Divorce"

²⁷"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

³¹"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' ³²But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Reflections:

Jerry Manning

Joys and Concerns ~ Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Eric Olsen

The Offering of Praise: "Change My Heart, O God" Song Sheet

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Eric Olsen

The 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 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 and ever. Amen.

Sending - *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Benediction

Pastor Eric Olsen

Sending Song: "Trust and Obey"

Song Sheet



We welcome you in Christ's name.

We are glad you have come to worship with us today.

Prayer Concerns: Wilma, Bill, Cameron, Monique, Ann, Roy, Jim, John, Dave, Patrick, Brady, Mandi, Brian, Charlie, Michael, Peter, Rusty, Lucy, Monica, Vickie & Mark, Janice, Adrienne; (Cancer): Diane, Nicol, Jim, Lisa, Barbara, Dick, Sandy, Christi, Mark, Troy, Deb, Susan, Michelle, Scott, Paul, Carey, Michael, Ethan, Brandi, Barb, Veronica, Katheran, Calle, Rosie, David

July Birthdays: 27 ~ Cheryl Wilson; 30 ~ Martha Donnelly

Anniversaries: 28 ~ Jim & Eva Stinson;
31 ~ Vernon & Angie James

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Worship Attendance July 19: 9:30am ~ 27; 7:00pm ~ 12 (Rained Out)

During this time in Covid-19 Phase 4 – NY Reopening Safely, the church building will be open Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9am-12. Visitors must follow the protocol for entering the church building.

Guidelines are posted at the doors

but please enter through the St. Bernard Street door.

I can also be reached by phone ~ 518-891-3473 ~ 9am-12noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. ~ Kathy Cross, Secretary

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**SOMETHING TO BELIEVE IN
SOMETHING TO BELONG TO**



ONE IN MISSION

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2020

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

The Rev. Eric Olsen

Musician ~ Kathryn Cross

Lay Leader ~ Jerry Manning