

Our Lord's Day

August 9, 2020
10th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Meditation: "Be Not My Vision" Linda Pierson at the Piano

Welcome! Pastor Eric W. Olsen

Call to Worship:

Leader: For those who will listen, let them hear:

People: God will speak peace to God's people,
to God's faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

Leader: God's salvation is at hand for those who fear God.

People: When our living is right in God's eyes,

Leader: When justice makes a path for God's steps,

People: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet.

Righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Faithfulness springs up from the ground.

Justice looks down from the sky.

The LORD gives what is good.

Our land yields in abundance.

God's glory dwells among us. Amen.

Hymn: "All Are Welcome" Song Sheet

Prayer of the Day

Proclamation & Response to the Word

The Lord is here. Let us listen to Him.

Psalm 85:8-13: (Read Responsively)

⁸I will listen to what the LORD God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those
who turn their hearts to you.

⁹Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell in our land.

¹⁰Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

¹¹**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

¹²The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³**Righteousness shall go before the LORD
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**

A Reading from: Matthew 5:38-48 "Revenge & Love Enemies"

Eye for Eye

³⁸"You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.'

³⁹But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴²Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

Love for Enemies

⁴³"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Reflections:

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Joys and Concerns ~ Pastoral Prayer

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The Offering of Praise:

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Song Sheet

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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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.*

Sending Song: "Lift High the Cross" Song Sheet
Benediction Pastor Eric Olsen

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

August Birthdays: 1 ~ Melissa Lincoln; 3 ~ Ruth Damp;
4 ~ Hillary Barnard; 6 ~ Ashlee Charette, Aaron Hesseltine;
7 ~ Ed Martin; 8 ~ Matt Bouton, David Kelting

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Worship Attendance August 2: 9:30am & 7pm ~ 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

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2020
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
The Rev. Eric Olsen
Musician ~ Kathryn Cross
Lay Leader ~ Jerry Manning