



August 2, 2020 at 9:30am - 9th Sunday after Pentecost
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(bold = in unison)

ENTRANCE

Prelude "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name" by E. Hopkins/arr. R. Tall

Welcome Rev. Nate Melcher

Call to Worship

O God, you promise a world where those who now weep shall laugh;
those who are hungry shall they feast;
Those who are poor now, and the excluded,
shall have your kingdom for their own.
We want this world, too.
We renounce despair.
We will act for change.
We choose to be included in your great feast of life.

Gathering Hymn

“You are Mine”

by David Haas

1. I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear My voice, I claim you as My choice, Be still, and know I am hear.
2. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light, Come and rest in me.

Refrain

Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine

3. I am strength for all the despairing. Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, And all will know my name. (Refrain)
4. I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain, Stand up, now walk, and live! (Refrain)

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Hope Hutchison

Gracious God, we acknowledge and confess in your presence the smallness of our love, the narrowness of our concern, the denial of our true humanity. Through our careless hands have slipped opportunities not taken, people not cared for, days not celebrated. We are ashamed and sorry for the ways of our unfaithfulness, and ask for reassurance and forgiveness. Please hear our hearts now in our silent prayer...

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Time with Children

Sharing the Peace

May the peace of God be with you.
And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor with a sign of peace.

Lighting Our Conflux Candles

*You are invited to safely light a candle or lamp to celebrate
the moments this week where your life's journey met God's heart.*

Celebration of Music

“I'll Fly Away”
Kat Devlin, soloist

by A. Brumley

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture in Context

Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

NRSV

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

Music During Communion

“Love Like There’s No Tomorrow”
Kast Devlin, soloist

by The War and Treaty

Prayer After Receiving the Sacrament

Make us worthy, Lord, to serve our fellow human beings throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger. Give them through our hands this day their daily bread, and by our understanding love, give peace and joy. Hear us now in our Breakthrough Prayer...

Breakthrough Prayer

**Loving God of all, renew our hearts and minds.
Reveal your wildest dreams, break through to each of us.
Unite us in your vision, equip us for your work.
Transform us by your song, create our harmony.
May we embrace your future, and be your loving church. Amen.**

Please join your church in praying the Breakthrough Prayer daily at 8:35.

Celebrating Our Conflux Moments

Gracious and loving God, thank you for the precious moments in which we felt you close to us this week. Continue to break through to each of us with your Holy Spirit and reveal your amazing love to as many people as possible. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Sending Hymn

“Pass It On”

by Garrison Doles

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing.
That's how it is with God's Love, once you've experienced it;
You spread his love to everyone; You want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is spring, When all the trees are budding'
The birds begin to sing, the flowers start their blooming.
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it;
You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, This happiness that I've found;
You can depend on him, It matters not where you're bound.
I'll shout it from the mountain top; I want my world to know;
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

Benediction

...And until we meet again, let us live...
in faith, justice, and joy! Amen.

Postlude

“Festive Trumpet Tune”

by D. German



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We hope you had a good experience. Worship is over. Service begins.

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Worship Team:

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation
Musicians: Kat Devlin, Nancy Dierauer
Liturgists: Rev. Hope Hutchison, Rev. Nate Melcher
Tech: TY Moore, Dale Olson

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Community Joys and Concerns

Today and throughout this week you are invited to pray for:

- People in need of a loving church.
- Openness to the “conflux moments” of experiencing God.
- Our church’s MCCI Missional Church Consultation Initiative journey.
- Our church’s newest elected leaders, continuing elected leaders, and those who served well in their terms for the mission of this church.
- Our church’s teams, elected leaders, and paid and unpaid servants.
- Our Regathering Taskforce as we look toward our next steps during this pandemic.
- The courage to reach out to those “in the ditch” and lend a hand.
- The courage to let others reach out to us when we are “in the ditch.”
- Teachers, students, families, staff, and administrators who look to authorities to help them discern how to responsibly and safely move forward for school this fall.
- All who face challenges of inequities, poverty, loneliness, racism, complex family systems, toxic politics, and all the other pressing issues that are being amplified by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- The children.

Prayers for Healing:

Paula Milani, Marybeth Stull, James Wegscheid, Marylee Fithian, Inez Gustafson, Bonnie Freese, Bev Crandall, Margaret Kersteter, Elaine Peterson, Sharon Morrow, Maxene Schwanke, Dan Freese, father of Bonnie Freese, Liam B., neighbor of Michele Wegscheid, and John Darling.

Prayers for Comfort:

Jan Hansen, Hans Olson, father of Dale Olson, and all those in hospice and their families.

Announcements - Community Connections:

- **Today, School Supply Collection Drop Off 11am-12pm (Or drop off on Friday, Aug. 7, 5-6 pm)**
Now through August 7, we are collecting supplies for VEAP's back to school drive! While we had planned to do our own drive, VEAP's network will allow us to reach a much wider network of families than we would have been able to on our own. **You can make a financial donation for school supplies by Wednesday, August 5.** Please [give online](#), or by mailed check (arriving at the church by 8/5) with school supply drive on the memo line. You can order school supplies online and have them shipped to the church or your home or buy supplies at a local retailer. **Drop-off supplies at the church building on Sunday, August 2nd, 11am-12pm, or Friday, August 7th, 5-6pm.** All traditional supplies are needed, such as: pens, pencils, notebooks, and paper; however the most needed supplies are backpacks and scientific calculators. Please make sure that any ordered supplies are delivered by Fri., Aug. 7th. All supplies will be delivered to VEAP by Sun., Aug. 9th.
- **Today, August 2, GAME-O-RAMA (First Sundays at 7:00pm)**
Join your friends for a fun game night together! These games are meant to be all ages and encourage lots of laughter and connection. Hope to see you there. **August 2 - Scavenger Hunt!** Hop on the video call, get a list of items to hunt, and bring back as many as you can to the video call before time runs out. (Meeting ID: 886-7086-3487)
- **Next Sunday, August 9**
So Many Questions, Part 2 - Summer Worship Series #3
We close out the summer by responding to a few more of your questions. If you have wondered about these topics, be sure to mark your calendar and experience worship.
August 9 - What does the Bible say about heaven?
- **SAVE THE DATE: August 16th Doc-O-Rama, [Hellbound?](#)** The filmmaker Kevin Miller joins our discussion of his documentary about the wide variety of viewpoints about the existence of hell.
- Brené Brown Study, Saturdays, 10:30am. Contact [Gail Johnson](#).
- Women's Bible Study, Tuesdays at 9:30am. Contact [Molly Reko](#).
- Men's Bible Study, Wednesdays at 9:00am. Contact [Kent Johnson](#).
- Men's Support Group, Saturdays at 8:30am. Contact [Kent Johnson](#).
- Children's Ministry, public and sign-up content. Contact [Rev. Hope Hutchison](#).
- Youth Group, various content throughout the summer. Contact [Garrett Johnson](#).
- Pastoral Care, by phone or electronically. Contact [Kay Bergeland](#).
- Worship by touch tone phone. Friends and family not online can listen to worship live. Call toll-free at 1.888.650.5835 and "press 1" to opt-in to get automatic calls as worship begins.
- Please keep reaching out to one another, it matters!

Announcements - Campus and Administration:

- In-person worship and gatherings are suspended through at least September 6.
- Campus is closed until further notice, thank you.
- God's Hands is closed until further notice. No donations at this time, thank you.
- You can still reach out by phone and also to paid staff by email.
- If you have church communications needs, contact [Linda Schmidt](#).
- Your generous giving matters for your church in these unprecedented times. Please give online at richfieldumc.org/give or contact [Kathy Gertsema](#).

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