

# Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

How often have we sought those things which are fleeting to fill us?

**We have worshipped the idols of laziness, luxury, and prestige.**

We have sought power over others at their expense

**And this did not bring peace.**

Remind us today that we must choose life, not death,

**Today, we choose you and your way to live.**

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## OPENING SONG

*He Is Exalted*

He is exalted, The King is exalted on high; I will praise Him

He is exalted, forever exalted. And I will praise His name!

He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign

Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: **O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## FIRST READING:

Leviticus 19:1-4

Pew Bible Old Testament Pg. 117

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

## SECOND READING:

Acts 17:16-21

Pew Bible New Testament Pg. 143

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

## SERMON

### SERMON HYMN

*Blessed Assurance*

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**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!**

**Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

*Refrain:* **This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long:  
this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

**Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain**

**Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,  
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. Refrain**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.  
Hear us O God, **Your mercy is great!**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love. **Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**

*What a Fellowship, What a Joy Devine*

#774

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

***Refrain:* Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain***

**What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain***

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Stay safe and be safe. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**