

# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 19, 2021 @ 8:30am

**THEME:** God didn't need Abraham to sacrifice his son to appease God. God showed up for Abraham in a different way.

## PRELUDE

### OPENING PRAISE

*Holy Is The Lord*

We stand and lift up our hands, For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now, How great, how awesome is He  
And together we sing, And everyone sing:

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty The earth is filled with His glory  
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*Forever*

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King His love endures forever  
For He is good, He is above all things His love endures forever. Sing praise, sing praise

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise Sing praise, sing praise

**REFRAIN:** Forever, God is faithful. Forever, God is strong  
Forever, God is with us. Forever

From the rising to the setting sun His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God, we will carry on His love endures forever  
Sing praise, sing praise Sing praise, sing praise, REFRAIN

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God created all things.

**We celebrate all that God created when we gather.**

We celebrate the radical love of a God

**That needs no sacrifice,**

That needs no blood spilled,

**That puts humanity first.**

### \*GATHERING SONG

*Change My Heart, O God*

#801

Change my heart, O God! Make it ever true. Change my heart, O God, make I be like you.  
You are the potter, I am the clay, mold me and make me, this is what I pray

### \*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.**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray: God of radical love, **You prevented Abraham from sacrificing his son for you. You showed him that you don't need sacrifice to love or be loved. Remind us that you love us that deeply, too. Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

Pew Bible Old Testament pg.18

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

## **GOSPEL**

John 1:26-30

Pew Bible New Testament pg. 94

The Holy Gospel according to John the 1<sup>st</sup>chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The reading concludes: The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Pastor Pam Challis

## **SERMON**

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## **\*SERMON HYMN**

*The God of Abraham Praise*

#831

**The God of Abr'ham praise, who reigns enthroned above;  
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love--  
"I Am the One I Am"-- by earth and heav'n confessed;  
I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.**

**The God of Abr'ham praise! At your supreme command  
from earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand.  
I all on earth forsake-- its wisdom, fame, and pow'r—  
and you my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.**

**The God of Abr'ham praise! Your all-sufficient grace  
shall guide me all my pilgrim days in all my ways.  
You deign to call me friend; you call yourself my God!  
And you will save me to the end through Jesus' blood.**

**Your promise you have sworn; I on your oath depend.  
I shall, on eagle wings upborne, to heav'n ascend.  
I shall behold your face; I shall your pow'r adore,  
and sing the wonders of your grace forevermore.**

## **\*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

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need...

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  $\text{✠}$  be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

### SENDING SONG

*Go, Make Disciples*

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**Go, make disciples, baptizing them, teaching them.**

**Go, make disciples, for I am with you till the end of time.**

**Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light of the world.**

**Go, be a city on the hill, so all can see that you're serving me.**

**Go, make disciples!**

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God!**

### POSTLUDE

### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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