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Sixth Sunday of Easter

Announcements

Prelude

Amazing Grace
God Is In This Story

Pastor Brad Bellah

Welcome Home

Children's Sermon

Pastor Brad

Confession and Forgiveness

Song

Words

Gospel

John 15:9-17(The Message)

⁹⁻¹⁰ “I’ve loved you the way my Father has loved me. Make yourselves at home in my love. If you keep my commands, you’ll remain intimately at home in my love. That’s what I’ve done—kept my Father’s commands and made myself at home in his love.

¹¹⁻¹⁵ “I’ve told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I’m no longer calling you servants because servants don’t understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I’ve named you friends because I’ve let you in on everything I’ve heard from the Father.

¹⁶ “You didn’t choose me, remember; I chose you, and put you in the world to bear fruit, fruit that won’t spoil. As fruit bearers, whatever you ask the Father in relation to me, he gives you.

¹⁷ “But remember the root command: Love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

BIDDING PRAYER

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation, kneeling as we are able.

(A brief silence.)

For the church, its ministry, and the mission of the Gospel.

(pause, count to 10 before continuing)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For peace and justice in the world, for all in authority, for our community, for all our local leaders and public servants. *(pause, count to 10 before continuing)*

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the poor, oppressed, sick, bereaved, or lonely. For all who suffer in body mind or spirit. *(pause, count to 10 before continuing)*

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for all those who have died and now rest in your grace and mercy, and for all who knew and loved them who now cherish their memories.

(pause, count to 10 before continuing)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

Communion

Words of Institution

Hallelujah

Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray, saying:

**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.**

Distribution

Communion Song

Bigger Table

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Song

He Reigns

Sending

Pastor: Sisters and Brothers in Christ, we leave worship today, entering the world empowered by God's Grace. We go with this charge and blessing:

Together, we speak:

I am a disciple of My Lord,

I am called by Jesus;

Washed and cleansed in the waters of Baptism;

Fed by His broken body and shed blood;

equipped and nourished by His holy Word;

and sent into a hungry world to share the good news of God, in Jesus!

Pastor: This week, Christ is Counting on YOU.

Together we respond to His call, in faith: Here I am, Lord. Send Me!

Amen!

****CONGREGATION TURN AND WAVE****