



Faith/First
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Welcome to Faith/First United Methodist Churches

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20th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Intermezzo Op 118 No. 1

Johannes Brahms

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: From the beginning, God entered into covenant with the human family: with Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Moses, Deborah, Ruth, and Jeremiah.

P: Through baptism, Jesus Christ calls us into the covenant and makes us ministers of Christ's righteousness.

L: All Christian ministry is Christ's work of outreaching love. It demonstrates a common life of gratitude and devotion, witness and service, celebration and discipleship.

P: All Christians are called to Christ's servanthood in the world, to the glory of God and for human fulfillment.

L: The Church, as the community of the new covenant, participates in Christ's ministry of grace.

P: It stretches out to human needs wherever service may convey God's love and ours.

L: In our ministry of servanthood is this ultimate concern:

P: that all may be renewed in the image of their Creator, and that all Christians are called to minister in deeds and words that heal and free. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Let us all pray.

Gracious God, we confess to you that we have not been your servant people. We have not been as loving, caring, sharing as we should. We have been weak in the cause of justice, slow to opportunities for kindness, quick to anger and hurting words. We have each put ourselves in the center of our world. We have turned away from our neighbor's need. We have not thanked you, nor been your ministers, nor prayed as we should. Accept the burden of our sinful selves, heal our pain, and set us free. In the name of Christ Jesus we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Shelly Halfman

***OPENING HYMN**

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

TIME FOR STEWARDSHIP

Offering of our Gifts, Tithes and Resources for Ministry

(As you prepare your offerings from your hearts, you may send them to the church office after this service.)

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Holy God, we give you thanks for all your gifts of goodness and grace. Receive these gifts from our hands as a sacrifice of praise to you and teach us to honor you each day by our obedience to your will; through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 33:12-23

One: The Word of God for the People of God

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 22:15-22

One: The Word of God for the People of God

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD

SERMON

“Goodbye; I didn’t see that coming”

John George

POSTLUDE

Sonata L20

Domenico Scarlatti

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Larry, Karen, Chyrlie, Ron, Carole, Theresa, Madeline, Cyndy, Cheryl, Caryn, Frank, Julie, Doug

Prayers who are homebound or in nursing facilities:

Iris, Linda, Jean, and JoAnn

Ministers: All members

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Lay Leaders: Jim Rendel and Rae Kipper (Faith UMC)
Lay Leader: John George (First UMC)

Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession: Marc Getty
Prayer for the People and the Lord's Prayer, Time for Stewardship and Prayer of Thanksgiving: David Smith
Old Testament Reading: Davida Smith
Gospel Reading: Jan Koger

Children's Message: Shelly Halfman

Pianist: Andrew Remillard

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