**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 28, 2020, 10:00 AM**

**Watchword of the Week:**

***Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk,***

***O Lord, in the light of your countenance.***

**Psalm 89:15**

**Prelude** *Take My Life, and Let It Be*Arr. Whitworth

**Welcome and Announcements** Marshall Mathers

**Call to Worship** *There’s Something About That Name* Gaither Van Krause, soloist

**Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer** Lewis Phillips

**Hymn 782** *Come, Thou Fount of Ev’ry Blessing* NETTLETON

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount - I'm fixed upon it - mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help I've come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

**Liturgy of Compassion** Kristen Hailey

God hears the cry of the needy and does not wait for us to call before coming to our aid;

**While humanity was still lost in its brokenness, God came to us in the person of Jesus Christ, lived among us, died our death and rose to lead us into life.**

And so we come to worship, to offer God our devotion and love, our thanksgiving and praise.

**For God is worthy of our praise.**

Holy One, you are a God of compassion. You desire that all might be whole.

**In the brokenness of our lives you continue to turn toward us with the hope that we will accept your renewing love and find new meaning for our lives in you.**

You have established compassion as the foundation for all relationships and societies.

**You commanded us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to treat others in the same manner that we ourselves wish to be treated.**

Yet at times we find ourselves preoccupied with our own self-interests at the expense of helping others.

**Teach us to love ourselves in a way that embraces others also. Give us courage to make room at the center of our world where others might be renewed by your healing presence.**

Fill us with your spirit of compassion, Lord, that we might not act or speak out of our own self interests.

**Fill us with the desire to alleviate the suffering of our fellow creatures. Heal our hearts that we might refrain from acting in ways that will cause pain.**

Open the hearts of all people to the profound truth of Jesus Christ

**Call all nations to repent from any action that would increase the sum of human misery in the name of religion. Replace the apathy and selfishness of the world with passion to cultivate empathy with the suffering of all human beings.**

Lord, redeem us from actions that deny our common humanity.

**We desire peace over war, generosity over greed, patience over intolerance, compassion over callous judgment.**

At the root of God’s compassion is the sacrifice of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We are each in need of Christ’s compassion. Gratitude is our true response to God who calls us to be Christ’s compassion in the world. *How is God inviting you to offer greater compassion?*

(Silent Reflection)

Jesus, in extravagant compassion, has already revealed our forgiveness and calls us to live as those who are renewed and thankful. Receive this grace and share it.

**We are grateful; we live differently because of what you, Lord Jesus, have done for us.**

As one body with one voice we share the prayer our Lord has taught us.

**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.**

*Note: We thank the Rev. Rick Beck for this liturgy and permission to share it.*

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings to the Lord**

**(**Mail or online)

**Prayer of Dedication** Marshall Mathers

**Anthem** *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee* Arr. Curry

**Reading of God’s Word** Sandy Smith

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:40-42

**Hymn 460** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

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**Sermon Jeremiah and the Generations** Jerry Hailey

Jeremiah 28:5-9

**Hymn 751** *God of Grace and God of Glory* CWM RHONDDA

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power;  
crown your ancient Church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,

for the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days,

for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness, bend our pride to your control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal,

lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;

let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore,  
serving you whom we adore.

**Benediction** Jerry Hailey

**Postlude** *More Love to Thee* Arr. Whitworth

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