

## Morning Worship, Sunday, 6/28/20, 10 am 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**Words to ponder:** “Laugh with Sarah, as life grows within the womb of an old woman. Stand in amazement with the crowds, as illiterate fishermen perform the miracles of God. Forget what you think you know. Expect miracles. For with God, anything is possible!”

**Additional Scriptures for this Sunday:** Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13;  
Romans 6:12-23

**Scriptures for 5th Sunday after Pentecost:** Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49,  
58-67; Psalm 45:10-17 or Psalm 72; Romans 7:15-25a;  
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

### WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

**Prelude** “Just As I Am/Lamb of God Medley”

**Welcome** Pastor Ed

**Call to Worship** (*Responsively*) Sue Simmons

Sue: When we have been cast aside in the deserts of our lives,

**People:** you open our eyes to life-giving water that sustain us in our need.

Sue: When our future seems lost and others have taken our place of honor,

**People:** you restore our hope and promise us an inheritance of our own.

Sue: Who is like you among the gods?

**People:** Who answers prayer in times of deepest need?

Sue: We are here to worship you, O God,

**People:** for you alone can save us.

**Opening Prayer** (*Unison*) Eternal God, turn and be gracious to us, for the road is long and we are weary. We feel beaten down by the trials of life and need your strength to sustain us. Show us your favor, and offer us your blessing, that we may abide in faithfulness and not be put to shame. Comfort us, O God, and revive our souls. Grant us the endurance to take up our cross, and follow the difficult roads in life. Amen.

**Opening Hymn** “El Shaddai”

**Offering One Another the Peace of Christ**

**A Time for Children of All Ages** Sheryl Rajpolt

### WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

**Old Testament** Psalm 8 Sue Simmons

Lector: The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**New Testament** Matthew 10:24-39 Sue Simmons

Lector: The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**Sermon** “*We Are Worth So Very Much*” Pastor Ed

### WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

**Prayer of Confession** (*Unison*) Sue Simmons

**Holy One, your words cause us to tremble: “nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not be known.”** There is much in our lives that we wish to hide from others, even ourselves. We fear those who kill the body, while ignoring those who kill the soul. Teach us once more, O God, that your Son came to bring us life – even if turned son against father, and daughter against mother. Remind us of our higher calling, and the promises you offer of life in your realm which has no end. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

*Response: “Lord, hear our prayers”.*

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts (*Please mail in your offerings*)

Doxology

**Offering Prayer** (*Unison*) Receive the gifts our hands, O God, that they may be signs of your love and grace for a divided world. Through our offerings, help others follow the ways of life. Fill the world with your mercy, Holy One, that your faithful everywhere will honor you, by sharing your kingdom each and every day. Amen.

**WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

**Sending Hymn** "His Eye is On the Sparrow"

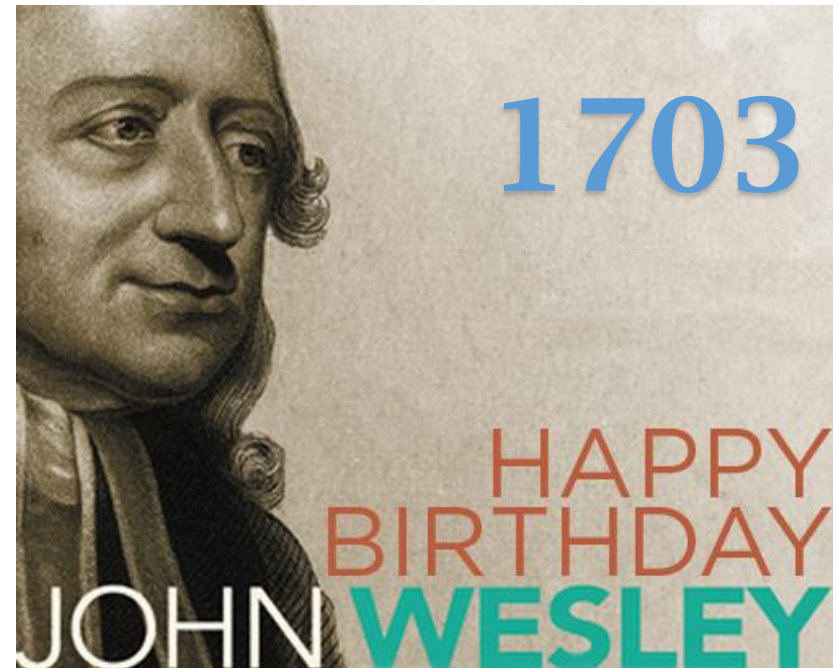
**Lord's Prayer** (*Unison*)

**Benediction** Pastor Ed

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