

Morning Worship, Sunday, July 12, 2020 – 10:00 am
6th Sunday after Pentecost

Beginning Music “Breathe On Me, Breath of God”

Prelude “Spirit Song”

Words to ponder: “Ask the Sower to cast you onto good, fertile soil, that you may hear the fruit of faith and love.”

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112 or Psalm 25; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Scriptures for 7th Sunday after Pentecost: Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Rose Aiello

Rose: You are the Sower, O God, we are the seed.

People: **God’s word is being sown in our lives this day with the promise of new growth.**

Rose: You are the Lover, O God, we are the beloved.

People: **God’s love blossoms in our lives with a beauty greater than the lilies of the field.**

Rose: You are the Healer, O God, we are the healed.

People: **God’s healing flows through our lives with every beat of our heart.**

Rose: You are the Potter, O God, we are the clay.

People: **God’s hand fashions us to shine with the glory of Christ’s light.**

Come! Let us worship the one who sows us in the fields of love.

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) **Great Sower, cast us like seeds upon the winds of your mercy that we may grow in fertile ground. Keep our lives from stony pathways, where the heat of life’s cares and strife strip our strength and vitality. Protect us from thorny gullies, where the snares of life’s worries and fears block the sunshine of your Spirit. Land us safely in rich soil, Master Gardener, and bless us with the kiss of gentle rain, that our faith may increase and our joy may be complete. Amen.**

Opening Hymn “There’s A Spirit in the Air”

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages

Sheryl Rajpolt

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Isaiah 55:10-13

Rose Aiello

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Romans 8:1-11

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “*Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus*”
Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

Rose Aiello

Caretaker of our souls, we yearn to resist the allures of status and prestige, for we often pierce ourselves with wounds of our own making. We long to bloom where we are planted, that righteousness and peace might flower in our lives. Free us of the fear of appearing foolish before others, as we seek new growth in your Spirit. Nurture us with your grace and mercy, that we might blossom and bloom as followers of Christ. 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) Master Gardener, as you have sown our lives in a rich and fertile soil, may we bear much fruit through our giving. With these offerings, may your realm be brought to earth, as we plant seeds of hope in the fields of life. Bless our gifts and our ministry, that the world may reap a harvest of generosity and love. Amen.

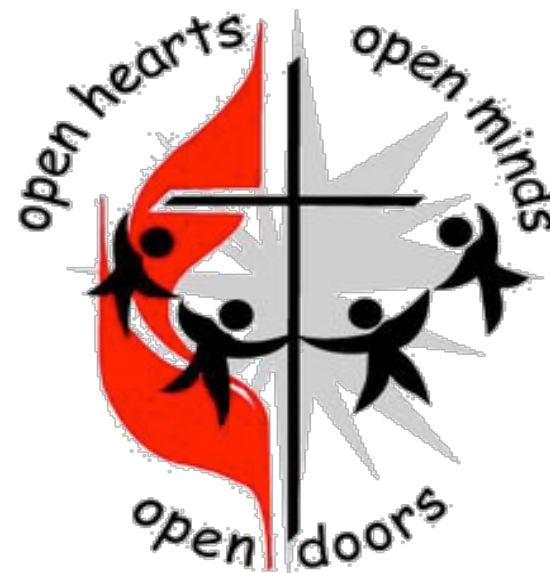
WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Lord’s Prayer (Unison)

Benediction

Pastor Ed



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