

June 20, 2021
4th Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day

PRELUDES

Beach Spring

Larry Visser

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 116, 1 John 4)

L: What shall we return to the Lord for all the good things God has done for us?

P: We will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

L: Beloved, let us love one another.

P: We love because God first loved us.

All: Let us worship God.

WELCOMING SONG #687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

St. Anne

(verse one)

***Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter
from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.***

(verse three)

***Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from
everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same.***

(verse four)

***A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the
watch that ends the night before the rising sun.***

(verse six)

***Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our
guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.***

CALL TO CONFESSION (adapted from Isaiah 43)

L: When we pass through the deep waters or endure times of trial, the Lord our God is with us. With confidence in God, our creator and redeemer, let us confess our sin:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be all that you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (from Isaiah 43)

L: Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE #203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Chereponi

(verse four)

***Loving puts us on our knees, willing to wash others' feet;
this is the way we should live like you.***

(refrain)

***Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve
the neighbors we have from you.***

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UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, as the word is read and proclaimed, teach us what we need to know. Inspire us, breathe in and through us. Lead us with your holy presence so that we may follow you without fear. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING – Psalm 90:1-6, 14-17

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. ² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. ³ You turn us^[b] back to dust, and say, “Turn back, you mortals.” ⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night. ⁵ You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; ⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ¹⁵ Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil. ¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. ¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!

VALLEY LIVES

Chip Steele

SPECIAL MUSIC

Piano Solo:

Ode to Joy Medley

Beethoven / Thompson

Soloist: Payton Timmons

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING – Acts 9:36-43

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas.^[a] She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room

upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹ So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹ He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴² This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

SERMON

"Eyes Opened"

Rev. John Wahl

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Scherzo on Nettleton

Marsha Medley

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING SONG #53

O God, Who Gives Us Life

Noel

(verse one)

O God, who gives us life and breath, who shapes us in the womb, who guards our lives from birth to death, then leads us from the tomb: deliver us from fears that kill the life we have from you. Help us to know your Spirit still is making all things new.

(verse two)

O God, who calls your people out to venture and to dare, to plumb the bleak abyss of doubt and find you even there: when we despair in wandering through wastes of empty lies, refresh us with the living spring of hope that never dies.

(verse three)

O God of covenant and law, revealed in cloud and flame, your mighty deeds evoke our awe; we dare not speak your name. Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your people prove, as on our hearts you write anew the covenant of love.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Saint Denio

Edward W. Beals

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Health and Safety Protocols

As we return to in-person worship services, we ask you to follow these guidelines:

- Windows will be open and fans turned on, so please dress to be comfortable.
- In order for proper distancing, please do not sit in the pews that have been blocked or directly next to people not in your family.
 - Please wear face coverings when inside the church building.
 - If you are not feeling well today, please stay home.
- Hymnals and pew bibles have been put away, the words are printed in the bulletin.
- At this time, we will not be passing the peace, the offering plate, or holding hands for the benediction at the close of the service.
- Since we are livestreaming the service, we ask that you remain seated in the pews during the prelude and postlude.
- After the worship service has concluded, we ask that you move outside for any extended conversations.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Any changes to these protocols will be shared in advance of Sunday gatherings.

Valley Lives

You are invited to participate in a new “Valley” outreach called “Valley Lives.” It will be a brief narrative from the members of the congregation to share their experiences from the time we spent apart during COVID. “Valley Lives” will give you a chance to share what has happened in your life; the challenges you faced; the adjustments you made to be connected with others; the faith that helped you handle the day to day; and, well, simply how you are. This will be included in the Summer Sunday services and scheduled at a date that is convenient for you. Please contact the church office or Nancy Sullivan; if you are interested.

Videographers Needed



We are looking for volunteers to film the worship service for livestreaming, with training and instructions provided. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office or Elder Beth Krause.

CFPCC Food Bank Needs

Please consider donating the following items to help stock the shelves at Chagrin Falls Park Community Center:



Helyne will be making up 50 "BBQ Bags" at the end of June for July 4th. Picnic items are needed such as mustard, ketchup, mayo, relish, all-beef hot dogs (in 1 lb. pks.), ground beef (in 1 lb. pks.), hot dog buns, hamburger buns, chocolate bar packs, graham crackers, marshmallows, chips, cookies, small bag of charcoal.

CFPCC is receiving donations at your car. Someone will come out and retrieve donations.

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www.valleypresbychurch.org

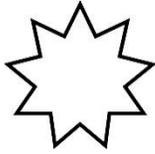
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Interfaith Prayer Vigil
Prayers for Healing and Peace
For our Nation

**Join with your neighbors of many faiths as members
of
Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Baha'i
communities**



lead prayer vigils.



Gather to pray for peace and healing.

7 pm - Wednesday, June 30, 2021
at Church of the Resurrection
Outdoor Prayer Garden
32001 Cannon Road, Solon 44139

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