Sunday, June 20, 2021 Fourth Sunday After Pentecost



"...we commend ourselves as ministers of God in every way. We did this with our great endurance through problems, disasters, and stressful situations. ⁵ We went through beatings, imprisonments, and riots. We experienced hard work, sleepless nights, and hunger." 2 Corinthians 6:4-5 CEB

"Come, Holy Spirit" Worship series Father's Day

Gathering Music Lift Every Voice and Sing UMH 519
Welcome, Check In and Prayer Requests

Call to Worship (from Psalm 107) Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Response: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; Response: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so--those he redeemed from trouble

Response: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: We're gathered here from many places, in many places--north, south, east, and west. Response: Together, we are thankful for God's steadfast love as we worship here today.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever--come, Holy Spirit, come!

Comment in the chat/comments--let us know you're here!

Faith for Kids

Prayers of the People Pastor's Prayer and Prayer for Father's Day Lord's Prayer

Giving of Ourselves and Our Gifts

Worship Song "This Little Light of Mine" Faith Church Choir

God's Word to Us 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (CEB)

Message Bill Ekstrum

Offering Sanctuary TFWS 2164

*Prayer of Dedication (all joining)

God of abundance, sometimes we have to learn how to have faith in the in-between. When there doesn't seem to be enough, show us how your people take care of each other. When we fear to share what we have, show us the grace of receiving an unexpected gift. When we hang on tight for later, just in case, show us that you are in this very moment. In these ways, teach us to give, to share, to offer ourselves for your kingdom work. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Blessing and Sending Out

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!!

Everyone: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!!!

Leader: And all the people said...

Everyone: AMEN!

*Community Blessing Song

And All the People Said Amen by Matt Maher

Worship has ended...now the service begins!

Next Sunday, June 27th...who are you inviting to come to Faith for worship?

Scripture for Worship

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (CEB)

Call to relationship and holiness

¹¹ Corinthians, we have spoken openly to you, and our hearts are wide open. ¹² There are no limits to the affection that we feel for you. You are the ones who placed boundaries on your affection for us. ¹³ But as a fair trade—I'm talking to you like you are children—open your hearts wide too.

¹ Since we work together with him, we are also begging you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ² He says, *I listened to you at the right time, and I helped you on the day of salvation.* Look, now is the right time! Look, now is the day of salvation!

³ We don't give anyone any reason to be offended about anything so that our ministry won't be criticized. ⁴ Instead, we commend ourselves as ministers of God in every way. We did this with our great endurance through problems, disasters, and stressful situations. ⁵ We went through beatings, imprisonments, and riots. We experienced hard work, sleepless nights, and hunger. ⁶ We displayed purity, knowledge, patience, and generosity. We served with the Holy Spirit, genuine love, ⁷ telling the truth, and God's power. We carried the weapons of righteousness in our right hand and our left hand. ⁸ We were treated with honor and dishonor and with verbal abuse and good evaluation. We were seen as both fake and real, ⁹ as unknown and well known, as dying—and look, we are alive! We were seen as punished but not killed, ¹⁰ as going through pain but always happy, as poor but making many rich, and as having nothing but owning everything.