

July 11, 2021 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Scott Kinnamon is the worship leader this morning

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Greeting

Opening Hymn (Instrumental) - NCH 73 - "Enter, Rejoice, and Come In" - Based on Psalm 100, this contemporary hymn speaks to "opening your hearts to everyone and not being afraid of change."

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Blessed be the God and parent of our Savior Jesus Christ! Thank God for every spiritual blessing.

Response: May the glory of God be known in this place! May God's peace dwell in this and every land!

Liturgist: Who shall ascend the hill to reach for God? Who shall stand in God's holy place?

Response: Those who have clean hands and pure hearts. Those who are not false or deceitful.

Liturgist: God peaks peace to those who are faithful. Lift up your heads and your hearts to God.

Response: We have come to hear the word of truth. We turn to God, eager to receive salvation.

Hymn (Instrumental) - "Here, O God, Your Servants Gather" - This hymn was written for the fourteenth World Council of Christian Education in 1958. Tokuo Yamaguchi gathered his inspiration from our scripture from Ephesians.

Confession of Sin

God of all hope and blessing, hear us as we turn to you with all our hearts. We have not been faithful to your word of love. We have hurt others and held grudges. We have been jealous and deceitful and ungrateful. We have turned from your Word and resisted the Holy Spirit. O God, we plead for your forgiveness and healing that we might respond with joy to the spiritual blessings you offer. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

Old Testament Lesson – 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 14b-19

Children's Sermon

Hymn of Praise (Recorded) – "Be Thou My Vision", performed by Julie McMinn, courtesy of Godlychristianmusic.com. "Be Thou My Vision" is a traditional Christian hymn of Irish origin.

Epistle Lesson – Ephesians 1:3-14

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Offering and Offertory - 793 - Our offertory today is a Sanctus from Argentina and the text says, " Holy, holy, holy, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, God!"

Gospel Lesson – Mark 6:14-29

Sermon

Hymn (Instrumental) Closing Hymn - NCH 352 - "My God, Accept My Heart This Day" - This hymn opens with a prayer, " My God accept my heart this day, and make it always yours, That I from you no more may stray as long as long as life endures."

Benediction

Postlude