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6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 24, 2011

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WELCOME to all who are visiting today! Our greatest desire is to share that wonderful message of forgiveness and eternal salvation for all in Jesus' name. We pray you will be drawn closer to Christ as the Holy Spirit nurtures us through God's Word in this service. Before you leave, please, take time to sign our guest register in the entrance way, and we hope you will join us every week as we gather as God's family in worship.

**10:30am**  
WELCOME

**INVOCATION:**

P. O Lord, open my lips,  
C. AND MY MOUTH WILL DECLARE YOUR PRAISE  
P. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
C. AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN.

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *(Adapted from Psalm 100)*

P. Give glory to God, our light and our life.  
C. OH, COME, LET US WORSHIP HIM.  
P. Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord;  
C. LET US MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO THE ROCK OF OUR SALVATION.  
P. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
C. LET US MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE TO HIM WITH SONGS OF PRAISE.  
P. For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.

**SONG: "All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises"**

*Verse:* You took, You take our sins away O God. You give, You gave Your life away for us. You came down, You saved us through the cross. Our hearts are changed, because of Your great love.

*Chorus:* You lived, You died, You said in three days You would rise. You did, You're alive! You rule, You reign, You said You're coming back again. I know that You will, and all the earth will sing Your praises. All the earth will sing Your praises. *(Verse – Chorus)*

*Ending....*All the earth will sing Your praises. All the earth will sing Your praises.  
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PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

5 Then the prophet Jeremiah replied to the prophet Hananiah before the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD. 6 He said, "Amen! May the LORD do so! May the LORD fulfill the words you have prophesied by bringing the articles of the LORD's house and all the exiles back to this place from Babylon. 7 Nevertheless, listen to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people: 8 From early times the prophets who preceded you and me have prophesied war, disaster and plague against many countries and great kingdoms. 9 But the prophet who prophesies peace will be recognized as one truly sent by the LORD only if his prediction comes true."

EPISTLE READING: Romans 6:1b-11

1...Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. 5 If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. 6 For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**RESPONSE:** *(From Hebrews 1)*

P. In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.  
C. BUT NOW IN THESE LAST DAYS HE HAS SPOKEN TO US BY HIS SON.  
P. Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
C. HE HAS COME TO HIS PEOPLE AND REDEEMED THEM.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 10:34-42

34 “Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I have come to turn ” ‘a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law— 36 a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.’ 37 “Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; 38 and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 40 “He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives the one who sent me. 41 Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man’s reward. 42 And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward.”

#### CHILDREN'S LESSON

#### SONG: “*Jesus Messiah*”

1. He became sin, who knew no sin; That we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself, and carried the cross, Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

*Chorus:* Jesus, Messiah, Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

2. His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out all for love.  
The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, Love so amazing.

*Chorus:* Jesus, Messiah, Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

*Bridge:* All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You; all the glory to You God, the Light of the world.

*Chorus:* Jesus, Messiah, Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

*Ending...* Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. The Lord of all! The Lord of all!

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#### SERMON

#### SONGS: “*Holy Ground*”

(*Exodus 3:5 “Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.”*)

1. This is holy ground. We’re standing on holy ground. For the Lord is present and where He is is holy. This is holy ground. We’re standing on holy ground. For the Lord is present and where He is is holy.
2. These are holy hands. He’s given us holy hands. He works through these hands and so these hands are holy. These are holy hands. He’s given us holy hands. He works through these hands and so these hands are holy.

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#### “*Holy Ground*”

(*Heb 12:22 But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly,*)

We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around. Let us praise Jesus now. We are standing in His presence on holy ground.

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#### OFFERING + RITE OF FELLOWSHIP

(*Please sign fellowship book at end of pew.*)

#### PRAYER:

- P. Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do.  
C. HELP US BY YOUR HOLY SPIRIT, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST, TO KEEP  
YOUR WORD IN PURE HEARTS,  
P. So we may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness,  
C. AND COMFORTED THROUGHOUT LIFE AND EVEN IN DEATH. AMEN.

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS

#### REFLECTION ON THE LORD’S PRAYER:

- P. We pray “Give us this day our daily bread.” What does this mean?  
C. GOD CERTAINLY GIVES DAILY BREAD TO EVERYONE WITHOUT OUR  
PRAYERS, EVEN TO ALL EVIL PEOPLE, BUT WE PRAY IN THIS PETITION THAT  
GOD WOULD LEAD US TO REALIZE THIS AND TO RECEIVE OUR DAILY  
BREAD WITH THANKSGIVING.  
P. Why do we pray to God for daily bread?

C. WE PRAY TO GOD FOR ALL THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE SUPPORT AND NEEDS OF THE BODY, BECAUSE CHRIST WANTS US TO REALIZE THAT OUR ENTIRE LIFE AND THAT OF EVERYONE ELSE DEPENDS ON GOD; HE WANTS US TO RECEIVE ALL OUR PHYSICAL BLESSINGS WITH THANKSGIVING; AND HE WANTS US TO LOOK TO GOD FOR PHYSICAL AS WELL AS SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.

P. How does God provide our daily bread?

C. HE MAKES THE EARTH FRUITFUL AND BLESSES US WITH THE ABILITY TO WORK FOR THE THINGS WE NEED.

P. What does God want us to do for those who are unable to work for daily food?

C. GOD DOES NOT WANT US TO BE SELFISH BUT TO SHARE WITH THOSE WHO ARE UNABLE TO WORK AND TO INCLUDE THEM IN OUR PRAYERS FOR DAILY BREAD.

P. Why does Jesus have us say “this day” and “daily” bread?

C. THESE WORDS TEACH US NOT TO BE GREEDY OR WASTEFUL OR TO WORRY ABOUT THE FUTURE BUT TO LIVE CONTENTEDLY IN THE CONFIDENCE THAT THE LORD WILL GIVE US WHAT WE NEED.

**THE LORD’S PRAYER:** *(Spoken together)*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**THE BLESSING:**

P. The almighty and merciful Lord,

C. THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.

P. Bless you and preserve you.

C. AMEN.

**SONG: “Your Everlasting Love”**

*From everlasting to everlasting the Lord’s love is with those who fear him (Psalm 103:17)*

1. Your everlasting love is higher, higher, higher than the sky.

Your everlasting love is higher, higher, higher than the sky, higher than the sky.

Oh, the wonder of Your everlasting love is higher than the sky.

*Chorus:* Higher, than the heavens above, is the glory of Your wonderful love.

I’m lost in the mystery of Your everlasting love, Your everlasting love.

2. Your everlasting love is deeper, deeper, deeper than the sea.

Your everlasting love is deeper, deeper, deeper than the sea, deeper than the sea.

Oh, the wonder of Your everlasting love is deeper than the sea.

*Chorus:* Higher, than the heavens above, is the glory of Your wonderful love.

I’m lost in the mystery of Your everlasting love, Your everlasting love.

3. Your everlasting love is reaching, reaching, reaching out to me.

Your everlasting love is reaching, reaching, reaching out to me, reaching out to me.

Oh, the wonder of Your everlasting love is reaching out to me.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS + POSTLUDE

PRAISE BAND SCHEDULE FOR MONTH OF JULY:

July 24<sup>th</sup>, and 31<sup>st</sup> – 10:30 Service