



WHITEHOUSE UMC

...to love, serve, and share Christ

THE 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 6, 2020—9:30 AM

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Dr. Sarah Roberts

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPENING PRAYER

HYMN

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart vv. 1-2, 5

Cokesbury 84

*1. What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought
since Jesus came into my heart!
I have light in my soul for which long I had sought,
since Jesus came into my heart!*

*2. I have ceased from my wand'ring and going astray,
since Jesus came into my heart!
And my sins, which were many, are all washed away,
since Jesus came into my heart!*

Refrain:

*Since Jesus came into my heart,
since Jesus came into my heart,
floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll,
since Jesus came into my heart.*

*5. I shall go there to dwell in that City, I know,
since Jesus came into my heart!
And I'm happy, so happy, as onward I go,
since Jesus came into my heart!*

"Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" – words by R.H. McDaniel, music by Charles H. Gabriel
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AFFIRMATION

The Apostles' Creed

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**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Trey Burns

SPECIAL MUSIC

WUMC Chancel Choir

OFFERING MOMENT

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here below:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
 Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” - words by Thomas Ken (adapt. Gilbert H. Viera), harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams
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HYMN

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story vv. 1-2, 5

Cokesbury 91

*1. I will sing the wondrous story of the Christ who died for me,
 How he left his home in glory for the cross of Calvary.*

*2. I was lost, but Jesus found me, found the sheep that went astray,
 threw his loving arms around me, drew me back into his way.*

Refrain:

*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story of the Christ who died for me,
 sing it with the saint in glory, gathered by the crystal sea.*

*5. He will keep me till the river rolls its waters at my feet;
 then he'll bear me safely over, where the loved ones I shall meet.*

“I Will Sing the Wondrous Story – words by F.H. Rowley, music by Peter P. Bilhorn
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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 18:15-22

‘If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.’

Then Peter came and said to him, ‘Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.’

This is the word of God for us, the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Finding Fault

Rev. Trey Burns

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION & PARDON

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Almighty and merciful God, we know that when we offend another, we offend you. We are aware that we have often allowed the shadow of hate to cloud our souls, hiding the light from our unseeking eyes. We have said unpleasant and hurtful things to our brothers and sisters when they failed to live up to our expectations. Grant that we might find that spark of love that ever burns within us, the love that you have shown to us even when we failed you. Fan the embers of that love until it roars again in flames of love, peace, and reconciliation. Forgive us our sin and help us to forgive those who have sinned against us. Lead us into new life through your Son Jesus Christ, who died for the sins of all. Amen

(MICHAEL J. O'DONNELL, U.S.A., 20TH CENT)

All pray in silence

The Lord God is merciful and gracious, endlessly patient, loving, and true, showing mercy to thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin, and granting pardon. (JEWISH PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS, U.S.A, 20TH CENT.)

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Thanks be to God!

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Glorify be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

“Gloria Patri” – words The Lesser Doxology, music by Charles Meineke
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. At his ascension you exalted him to sit and reign with you at your right hand.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

“The Great Thanksgiving for the Season after Pentecost”

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THE LORD’S PRAYER

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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. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD AND GIVING THE CUP

Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

Because we all partake of one cup, we who are many share in the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN

Tell Me the Story of Jesus vv. 1, 3

Cokesbury 90

1. Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart ev'ry word; tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.

Refrain: Words of v. 1

3. Tell of the cross where they nailed him, writhing in anguish and pain; tell of the grave where they laid him, tell how he liveth again.

"Tell Me the Story of Jesus" – words by Frances J. Crosby, music by Jonothan R. Sweney
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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Dr. Sarah Roberts

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today is communion Sunday. If you're joining us virtually and would like to receive communion, drive to the church between the end of service and noon. Pastor Trey will meet you at the porte cochère to give you the sacred meal.
- Our Sunday School class, which meets in Connor Hall after worship and is available by Zoom, is currently studying John MacArthur's book, *12 Extraordinary Men*. We hope you'll join us for class today!
- For the month of September, our Wednesday night Bible Study will be exploring the book of Nahum. Come join us as we take a look at what this prophet had to say to the people of his own day, and what his words mean for us today.
- SPRC's September meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting will be on October 5.
- If you'd like to make a donation online, you can do so at whitehouseumc.com/donate. Offerings can also be mailed in. If you're here for in person for worship and would like to give, there's a box in the narthex for offering collection.

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PRAYER LIST

The Weavers	Sandra Walton	Gaige Hendley	Kristen Longfellow
Janice Dupree	Andrea Harris	Jason Krob	Ryan Baron
The Wilkes	The Loros	Brenda Caps	Lauren Lawler
Guy DeLaMarter	Joyce Bammes	Luke Shaeffer	Bri Benoit
Harold Marshall	Matt Lockwood	Nathan Lane	Betty Garner
Stacy & Chris Simpson	Bobbie Akers	Our Community	Bert Gardner
Carl Lintner	Kelly Kea	Our Schools	Gene Ruelle
Becky Lee Crain	Our Country	Members of our military	First Responders
		Our church family	Our elected officials

We continue to lift up all those people in Southeast Texas and Southwestern Louisiana who were gravely affected by Hurricane Laura. We pray especially for all those who lost loved ones to the storm, and for all those who have been displaced in its aftermath.

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