

HAINESVILLE LUTHERAN CHURCH ~ BEING THE CHURCH AT HOME
YouTube Worship Service ~ Sunday, July 19, 2020
Pastor Mike Zolnosky

Prelude Music

“Spirit”

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Welcome

Invocation

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the Lord, the Sovereign of Israel,
and Israel's Redeemer, the Lord of hosts:

I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.

⁷Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,
let them declare and set it forth before me.
Who has announced from of old the things to come?
Let them tell us what is yet to be.

⁸Do not fear, or be afraid;
have I not told you from of old and declared it?
You are my witnesses!
Is there besides me any other deity?
There is no other rock; I know not one.

Psalms 86:11-17

¹¹Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk^l in your truth;
give me an undivided heart to revere your name.

¹²I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart,
and glorify your name forevermore.

¹³For great is your^l love toward me;
you have delivered me from the pit of death.

¹⁴The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people seeks my life;
they have not set you before their eyes.

¹⁵But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

¹⁶Turn to me and have mercy on me;
give your strength to your servant, and save the child^l of your handmaid.

¹⁷Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be^l put to shame;
because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body,

you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with Christ so that we may also be glorified with Christ.

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The dominion of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ ²⁸He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ ²⁹But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

³⁶Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” ³⁷Jesus answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son-of-Man; ³⁸the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of God’s dominion; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son-of-Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his dominion all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴²and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the dominion of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

God’s Word for Today

Pastor Mike Zolnosky

HYMN #638

“Blessed Assurance”

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

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Prayers of God’s People

Confident of God’s care for us in the midst of the world’s sufferings, we join together in the power of the Spirit to pray for the church, the earth, the world, and all who are in need, responding to the words “Gracious God” with the phrase “Hear our Prayer.”

Holy and Loving God: Once again we gather in your name to learn from you and to be strengthened by the power of your Holy Spirit. We are blessed to be your children. And for that, hear our thanks.
Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

Lord God, you have revealed yourself to every age and every situation. Come to us again and instruct us in your ways so that we may be faithful witnesses to your love. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

We pray for the whole church throughout the world. May your Word be spread as Good Seed, and may it take root and yield its increase. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

We pray that all the things that divide us as nations and as people of faith may be overcome by the knowledge that we are all brothers and sisters in your eyes. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

We pray for our nation as we pray for all nations and all people. May wise leaders rise up and speak words of peace and cooperation; And may we then find peace within ourselves and all around us.
Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

God, we praise you for the good that has been given us in this country, and we mourn that many people here still find themselves searching for that good. We grieve that we have allowed racism to distort our society, that violence is so prevalent. Lead us to form communities in which all people are equal, and where disputes are settled without violence. Save us from preserving a past that has been harmful to many. Bring an end to warfare around the world, and mend the torn fabric of humankind with your truth and mercy. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

God... Our world and our nation are broken. Each day thousands more contract the virus; Hospitals in some places are full and overflowing; and people die; Countless people are broken by sorrows. Open our hearts to all who suffer in any way, and show us how to serve them. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

God of the seasons, we praise you for summertime, and we mourn that this year many hopes and expectations are denied. Give relief to those who suffer from the heat. Protect travelers from infection. Guard our children. Give rest to those with no vacation time, hope to those who are unemployed, and patience to all who must endure this difficult time. Gracious God: Hear our Prayer

God, you are our Redeemer, the Rock on which we build. We pray for all who are sick, especially those we now name aloud:

Rusty (Allen), **Riley** (A), **Lindsay** (A), **Sandy** (Anderson), **Trudy** (Berkhahn), **Nancy** (Bontempo), **Shirley** (Brandt), **Karen & Del** (Brewer), **Dennis** (Buckingham), **Eugene** (Clark), **Danielle** (Davis), **Diane** (Duncan), **Barbara** (Foster), **Mike** (Grainger), **Ruth** (Grainger), **Joanne** (Huhta), **Cindy & Terry** (Kinney), **Ellie** (Krull), **Harold** (Larsen), **Judy** (Larson), **Judy** (LaVine), **Natalie** (Markham), **Francine** (Meyer), **Ken** (Overland), **Jodi** (P), **Michelle** (Raasch), **Mary Lee** (Riddle), **Matthew** (Roque), **Alice** (Roque-Angermeier), **Troy** (Schiesser), **Eric** (Thorson), **Dorothy** (Twiton), **Kari** (Uetz), **Aubrey** (W), **Laddie** (Watson), **and Jeanine**. O God, teach us your way: **you are full of compassion**.

Be with all these, and those we now name in our hearts or in our voice.

In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer all these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord... who taught us to pray:

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.

Blessing and Sending

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

Go in peace. Let your hearts be good soil. Bear fruit for the Kingdom.
Thanks be to God...and we will!!!

HYMN #733

“Great is thy Faithfulness”

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

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