

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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"Here I am, for you called me."



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"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." ~John 3:17

WORDS OF WORSHIP

GOD GATHERS

GATHERING MUSIC

Our Great Savior
Carolyne Taylor

Miriam Haddon
pianist

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING

In respect and repentance toward indigenous peoples, we acknowledge promises broken over the years.

P: As we center ourselves for worship, we acknowledge that we have gathered by water and on land traditionally stewarded by the Suquamish and Port Gamble S'Klallam people.

SILENCE FOR CENTERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our redeemer.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION AND SELF-EXAMINATION

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen

OPENING HYMN

Dearest Jesus, at Your Word

#520

Tobias Clausnitzer/Catherine Winkworth/Johann R. Ahle

1. Dear - est Je - sus, at your word we have come a -
2. All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est
3. Ra - diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of Light from
4. Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, praise to you and

gain to hear you; let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
 dark - ness shroud - ed till your Spir - it breaks the night,
 God pro - ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light;
 ad - o - ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most:

and in glow - ing faith be near you as the prom - is -
 fill - ing us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and
 help our hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, that our prayers and
 all your gos - pel's con - so - la - tion while we here on

es here giv - en draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.
 all good liv - ing come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.
 songs may please you, as with grate - ful hearts we praise you.
 earth a - wait you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace
 to God's peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -
 est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther,
 we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est.
 A - - - men, a - - - - - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray... C: Amen

GOD SPEAKS

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of e-ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

BIBLE READING

1 Samuel 3:1-21

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." ¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I

am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever." ¹⁵Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him." ¹⁹As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord. ²¹The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, for the Lord revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the Lord.

[Related Reading: John 20:21-23]

P: Word of God for the people of God. **C: Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Paul Davis

SERMON

Pastor Alison Shane

BAPTISM

Torvald Wilson Trondsen

PRAYERS

After each portion of the prayers:

P: God of compassion, **C: hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

P: ...for the sake of Jesus our Savior. **C: Amen**

OFFERING INTRODUCTION

P: Samuel heard God's call but didn't know it was God calling because visions were rare in those days. How often do we not recognize God's call to give because generous giving, sacrificial giving is rare these days? When Samuel did recognize God's call, he kept silent out of fear of the repercussions of the message. How often do we recognize God's call to sacrificial giving but don't give out of fear of the repercussions, from fear of not having enough ourselves to fear of the future rainy day to fear of loss? God keeps calling. To answer God's call to generous, sacrificial giving, go now to another browser tab and head over to your faith home's online giving portal or write a check and send it to your faith home via the USPS.

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SPECIAL MUSIC

Wondrous Love
John Carter

Miriam Haddon

GOD NOURISHES

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Alleluia! God is with you! **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to our God. **C: We give God thanks and praise.**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat: this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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 DISTRIBUTION

We are gathered virtually today as the Body of Christ. As we sing the "Lamb of God," please gather your bread and wine, and then all will commune together.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE VIRTUAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNES TOGETHER

P: The body of Christ, given for you. *(eat the bread)*

The blood of Christ, shed for you. *(drink the wine)*

When the congregation has been united in the meal, the pastor will say the table blessing:

P: The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: God of mercy and grace, we give you thanks that you have filled us with good things at your table. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be Christ's body in the world, that more and more we may strive to serve your earth and its many peoples and proclaim your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ. **C: Amen**

GOD SENDS

BENEDICTION

P: God, the Root of hope,
God, the Word of life,
God, the Spirit of truth ✕ bless you, now and forever.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

#574

Daniel Schutte



1. "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2. "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3. "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin - est bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

SENDING

P: Strengthened by the promises God made to you in baptism, go and live your calling: Proclaim Christ through word and deed; serve all people and the world God made; strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

C: **We will, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

PFLC VISION STATEMENT

People gathered and sent in the love of Christ.

PFLC GUIDING PRINCIPLE

How can we best demonstrate the love of Christ?

PFLC CORE VALUES

Jesus is Lord – Worship – Compassion – Service

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YOUR SERVANT LEADERS TODAY

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Children’s Sermon:	Paul Davis, Director of Faith Formation
Accompanist:	Miriam Haddon
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Streaming Technician:	Jeff Hora

Reading for next week: 1 Sam 16:1-13; Psalm 51:10-14; John 7:24