

Pentecost

August 23, 2020

WELCOME & LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Worship - When and How

Outdoor Worship through September, Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

At all events all attendees and participants would be masked and at least 6 feet apart (spacing will be marked off).

Time and Talent Soon - There are specific needs we will have during Covid (outdoor ushers, parking leaders, registration tables).

If you are interested in being a part of this or helping direct people to seating, please email myself or Marion as soon as possible.

We will continue streamed services regardless, and we hope they will continue to improve in content and quality. If you would like to be a part of helping with our services, or if you have any gifts of technology, production, etc... please reach out and let us know!

Germonds Cemetery & Home Visits

Take a walk in the Germonds cemetery anytime, it is beautiful. A good place for socially distanced walks.

CHORAL INTROIT

God of Great and God of Small

Germonds Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us call ourselves to worship:

You have called us O Lord. Invited us to set aside this time.

You have created each one of us unique, with differing gifts and talents.

Yet each talent we possess, in each's infinite variety can be used by You, and is a valued gift in your kingdom.

Lord, help us find ways in which to use our talents for healing and hope. For right and for restoration. For goodness and growth.

Come, let us praise the Lord who has created and called us;

Let us open our hearts and spirits to God's word for us.

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Abbie Huff

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:1-8.

12 I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters,[a] by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual[b] worship. **2** Do not be conformed to this world,[c] but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.[d]

3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. **4** For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, **5** so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. **6** We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; **7** ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; **8** the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

SCRIPTURE & MESSAGE

Exodus 1:8-2:10

8 Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. **9** He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. **10** Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” **11** Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. **12** But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. **13** The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, **14** and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

15 The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, **16** “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” **17** But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. **18** So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” **19** The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” **20** So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. **21** And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. **22** Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews[a] you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

2 Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. **2** The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. **3** When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. **4** His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

5 The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. **6** When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. **7** Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” **8** Pharaoh’s daughter said to

her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. **9** Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. **10** When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses,^[b] “because,” she said, “I drew him out^[c] of the water.”

This is the word of the Lord.

MESSAGE

ANTHEM

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Kenn Hamilton & Rob Trawick

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Together We Serve

Germonds Choir

BENEDICTION

May the love of God, the Peace of Jesus Christ and the *Power* of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.