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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

WORDS OF WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE ----- -Dr. Jessica Scott

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Wait for the Lord, like those who hope in God's mercy.

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Watch for God, like those who eagerly await the morning.

People: **We watch for God, whose power redeems us.**

Leader: Hear God's hopeful word, like those who long for pardon.

People: **Sing praise to God and rejoice in God's love.**

Opening Prayer (*Unison*)

Loving God, we are yours. We come as we are, with our cares and concerns. We long to touch you and find healing in your embrace. Strengthen our faith and heal our brokenness, that we may worship you with joy. Amen.

HYMN -----“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
From everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come;
Be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

PASTORAL PRAYER----- Pastor Atkinson

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

CHILDREN’S TIME ----- Pastor Atkinson

FIRST UMC FAMILY CHOIR- - - “First Song of Isaiah” / Jack Nobel White

*Surely it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.*

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
From the springs of salvation. And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord, and call upon his Name.*

*Make his deeds known among the peoples;
See that they remember that his Name is exalted
Sing the praises of the Lord,
For he has done great things and this is known in all the world.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON -----Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him.

Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

SERMON ----- " A Healing Touch" ----- Pastor Atkinson
(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

INVITATION

HYMN -----"Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior"

Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

(Refrain) Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.

Trusting only in thy merit, would I seek thy face;
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by thy grace. *(Refrain)*

Thou the spring of all my comfort, more than life to me,
Whom have I on earth beside thee? Whom in heaven but thee? *(Refrain)*

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE -----Dr. Jessica Scott