

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 27, 2021

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Elder of the Month: Dave Bowen, 513-703-2319
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### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*adapted from Rebekah Long*

Liturgist: Our father who dwells in the heavens and on the earth, you are holy. May heaven be a greater present reality here on earth,

**Congregation: And may we choose to join you in making that happen.**

L: Provide us today with the things that you think we need,

**C: And may we not take for granted that which you have already provided.**

L: Forgive us when we don't live as *you* intend,

**C: And may we be ready to forgive others when they don't live as *we* intend.**

L: Guide us in your wisdom away from the things that would distort us,

**C: And restore the parts in us that are already distorted.**

L: You are goodness, beauty and truth. May your love always rule.

**C: Let us worship God.**

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

In a world full of temptations, we sometimes fall short. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess the ways we have sinned against God and one another. Let us pray:

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*adapted from Greg Scheer*

**Our God, you created the world and called it good. You created human beings in your image and called us very good. But we have been deceived by half-truths and false promises. We have tasted temptation and it is bitter in our mouths. We thought our desire for forbidden fruit would bring us wisdom, but it brought us only the curse of pain and death.**

**Please cover us in your love. Take away our sin. Restore our relationship with you, our God.**

*Silence is kept*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. This is the good news of the Gospel: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory 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.*

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Holy Spirit, as the scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed, open our ears to hear your Word. Open our minds to understand it, and open our hearts to do your will. Amen.

## **FIRST READING**

*Genesis 3:1-7*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of God for the people of God!

**Thanks be to God!**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

*handbells*

*Lord's Prayer*

*Joyce Counts,*

Arr. Christine Anderson

## **SECOND READING**

*Matthew 6:7-*

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"When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

"Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And do not bring us to the time of trial,

but rescue us from the evil one.

For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

**MESSAGE**

*Lead Us Not into Temptation?*

Rev. Ben Shaw

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**CALL TO OFFERING**

*Per COVID-19 safety measures, we will not pass the offering plate for some time. As you feel called, you may leave your offering in the plate in the Gathering Room or donate online at [MPChurch.net](http://MPChurch.net).*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

... And now hear as we pray as Jesus taught us:

**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 debts  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

And now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all this day, and unto your life eternal. Amen.

## POSTLUDE

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