**Worship Plan for Sunday July 7, 2019**

**GATHERING SONG**

*Great is Thy Faithfulness (ELW 733)*

**CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

Full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

**Amen.**

Trusting God’s promise of forgiveness,

let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence*

Eternal God our creator,

**In you we live and move and have our being.**

**Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands.**

**Forgive us all our offenses,**

**and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.**

**By your grace draw us near to you,**

**Our refuge and our strength;**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith,

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God’s love has been poured into our hearts

Through the Holy Spirit give to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Christ died for us while we still were sinners;

And for his sake, God + forgives you all your sins.

**Amen.**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty Creator and ever-living God; throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*Love Divine* Jean & David Fell, duet

Mark Burrows

*(The first reading is read by the lay assistant)***THE FIRST READING**:  2 Kings 5:1-14

A reading from Second Kings

**5** Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy.

2Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman’s wife.

3She said to her mistress, “If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.”

4So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said.

5And the king of Aram said, “Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.” He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments.

6He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, “When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy.”

7When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.”

8But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.”

9So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha’s house.

10Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.”

11But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy!

12Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage.

13But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?”

14So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

*The reading may be concluded:*Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*(The second reading is read by the lay assistant)***Second Reading:**  *Galatians 6:7-16*

*The reading may be announced:*A reading from Galatians

7Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow.

8If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit.

9So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.

10So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

11See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand!

12It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ.

13Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh.

14May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

15For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything!

16As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

*The reading may be concluded:*Word of God, word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand to welcome the Gospel.*   
**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *(ELW p. 188)*

*(The gospel is read by the pastor)***GOSPEL:**  *Luke 10:1-11, 16-20*

*The gospel is announced.*The holy gospel according to Luke.**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**10** After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.

2He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

3Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

5Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’

6And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

7Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you;

9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’

10But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say,

11‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’

16“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

17The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!”

18He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning.

19See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you.

20Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

*The gospel concludes:*The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (ELW 659) vs. 1, 2, 5*

*(The pastor reads the introduction and the ending,   
the lay assistant reads the indented petitions.)*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Joining our voices with God’s people around the world,   
let us offer our prayers for those in need.

*A brief silence*

For the church and its ministries; for pastors and musicians; for teachers and leaders, that their joyful noise clearly announce your reign of peace come near,  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

For your works revealed in creation: for rivers and streams;   
for thunderstorms and sunshine; and for those preparing for harvesttime,   
that you inspire our care for the earth,  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

For peace and justice in the world; for all levels of government;   
for areas affected by strife, that those in authority always work for the good of all, bringing your justice to all people,  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

For the sick and those who console them;   
for prisoners and those who show them mercy;   
for the downtrodden and those who help them flourish;   
for those suffering from malaria and zika;   
and for all in need of care (*especially),*   
that you comfort them as a mother comforts her child,  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

For those spending time with friends and family this summer;   
for those making employment decision; for those uncertain what the future holds,   
that they set their minds on Christ who has called us to himself  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed who have inspired us   
by their witness to the gospel, that with them we will know   
the confidence of being held in your embrace,  
let us pray, **Have mercy, O God.**

Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord 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.”

Remembering, therefore, his life lived for others, and his death and resurrection which renews the face of the earth, we await his coming in glory even as we pray…

**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 and ever.   
Amen.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

These are the gifts of God, for the people of God.  
 **Thanks be to God!**

**COMMUNION**

*(The prayer after communion is read by the lay assistant)*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence,

nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table.

Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart,

serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made;

through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Announcements**

**Blessing**Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abounding in thanksgiving;  
and the blessing of the holy Trinity, + one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.  
**Amen.***Turn to your neighbors and offer this blessing with a hand on the shoulder.****Christ Lives in You and in Your Story!***

**Sending Song** *In Christ Called to Baptize (ELW 575) vs. 1, 2, 4*

*(The dismissal is given by the lay assistant)***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is sending you.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Please greet one another with a sign of Christ’s peace.*