



Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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Trinity Presbyterian Church
Topeka, KS

Welcome and Announcements

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Call to Worship

God has forgiven us and drawn us close,
reconciling us through Jesus Christ,
who has lavished upon us
the fullness of the blessed Holy Spirit.
With glad and grateful hearts, praise the Lord

Hymn No. 826 vv. 1 & 3

Lift High the Cross

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**1 Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain)**

**3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
your death has brought us life eternally. (Refrain)**

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

**Holy God, we confess we have not been obedient
to your will for us.**

**We have sought justice for ourselves
but neglected justice for others.**

**We have insisted on our rights
but have not lived rightly in our relationships.**

**We have desired mercy for our sins,
but we have not offered mercy to those
who have sinned against us.**

**By the power of your Holy Spirit
free us from the prison of our disobedience.**

**Help us to love as you have loved us
that our lives may testify to your abounding grace
through Jesus Christ.**

(time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.
And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love
the name of the Lord, and to be his servants,
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—
these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.
Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel,
I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.
This the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Special Music

Before You I Kneel
K. Getty / Carol Thomas, Soloist
Jaron Marcus, Accompanist

Second Lesson

Matthew 15: 21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Offertorium
G. Young / Brad Stipcak, Organ

Doxology Hymn No. 607

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

Prayer of Dedication and Lord's Prayer

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 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 No. 754 vv. 1 & 3

Help Us Accept Each Other

**1 Help us accept each other
as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother,
each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us
and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted,
and meant to love and live.**

**Let your acceptance change us,
so that we may be moved
in living situations
to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance**

until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness,
and laughter's healing art.

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

The Old Rugged Cross
Arr. C. Berry / Jaron Marcus

Participating in Worship Leadership:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider
David Ross, Liturgist
Brad Stipcak, Dir. Of Music
Jaron Marcus, Keyboardist
Carol Thomas, Special Music
Anton Ahrens & Carmen Raines, Audio/Video Team

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