

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Rev. Sheri Fry

God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank offering to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

SENDING IN GOD'S LOVE

*Hymn 649

Amazing Grace

Charge & Benediction

Rev. Sheri Fry

Congregational Benediction Response

(to the tune of *Edelweiss*)

May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, Courage in every endeavor.
Children of God, May you bloom and grow,
Bloom and grow forever.
May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and keep you forever.

Postlude

Reggie Berg

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Accompanist: Reggie Berg

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Sound Booth: David Blount
Liturgist: Garrett Tillery
Soloist: Bob Swanson



A Service for the Lord's Day
June 20, 2021 ~ 10:00 am
4th Sunday after Pentecost

Parts of the service in **bold** are for everyone to speak in unison.
Parts with an asterisk * mean that all are to stand in body or in spirit.

GATHERING TOGETHER

As the music begins, we invite you to use this time to make the transition from getting here to being here. Take these few minutes to silently prepare for worship and allow the Spirit to refresh you.

Prayer of the Day

For the freshness of this new day thanks be to you, O God. For morning's gift of clarity its light like the first day's dawn thanks be to you. In this newborn light let us see afresh. In this gateway onto what has never been before let our soul breathe hope for the earth, for the creatures for the human family. Let our soul breathe hope.

~ John Philip Newell

Gathering Music

Reggie Berg

Welcome

Rev. Sheri Fry

Introit

Where Could I Go but to the Lord

Bob Swanson

Call to Worship

Liturgist Garrett Tillery

Leader: Gather us together, O God,

All: Bind us together in Your love.

Leader: No matter where we are, online or here,

All: We are Your body, O Christ.

Leader: The same Spirit that stirred the water of creation,

All: Stirs in our hearts and calls us to justice.

Leader: Guide us, Holy One, in this time of worship:

All: Remind us that we are one in Christ Jesus.

*Doxology, Hymn 607
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

Here's What's Happening

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 - Sunday, June 27 - We are happy to have **Rev. Kent Replogle** in our pulpit next week.
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Juneteenth

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"Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world. Now I've been free, I know what a dreadful condition slavery is. I've seen hundreds of escaped slaves...but I never saw one who was willing to go back and be a slave." ~Harriet Tubman

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Joys and Concerns

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Sermon Musings ~ Mark 4:35-41

This week's texts are robust! God's power is on display in a variety of forms. In ways



Jesus stills the storm, Gospel Book of Echternach, 11th century miniature

wonderful and beautiful - meeting the needs of the long-struggling, humbling the arrogant, calling people to their own courage. Today's readings involve the ability of persons to go against the odds when they realize that God is with them. In the storms of life, God is our companion. Facing what we perceive to be impossible odds, we receive divine guidance and energy. Trusting God, we can do greater things than we can imagine. The impossible becomes possible as we tap the deeper energies of the universe and human energy.

- Rev. Sheri Fry

Celebrating Men of the Church Sunday (Father's Day)

Friends, while there is nothing "religious" about this Sunday's celebration of Father's Day, there is something holy and sacred about it. Like Mother's Day, both became observances in the early part of the 20th century as ways to celebrate the important role parents play in the raising of children. In 1910, Sonora Dodd of the YMCA in Spokane, WA initiated the now long-standing tradition as a way to honor her father, a single parent raising 6 children. Today we recognize the contributions of all men who have been called by God to share their time, talents, spirit and energies fulfilling their call to be Christ's disciples.

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