THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 04, 2022

Bill Dawson, Music Director/Organist - Jim Wert, Pianist - Mary Reed, Assistant Music Director
Rev. Ted Althouse, Pastor – Rev. Karen Gaston/Mewborn, Communion Assistant - Gloria St Onge, Worship Leader

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The Labor We Do Must Always Be For Almighty God – First!

THE PRELUDE "Valse" by Chopin Bill Dawson, Piano

THE PROCESSIONAL "Alleluia, Alleluia"
No 162

THE WELCOME, GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RESPONSE, PRESENTATION

"Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place. I Can Feel His Mighty Power And His Grace. I Can Hear The Brush Of Angel's Wings. I See Glory On Each Face.
Surely The Presence Of The Lord Is In This Place."

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Almighty God of heaven and earth, I pray that when my time on earth is completed;
PEOPLE: I SEE THE DOOR OF HEAVEN BE OPENED SO I CAN BE WITH YOU FOREVER LORD GOD.
Leader: May the heavens from above, let the clouds pour down righteousness.
EVERYONE: AND LET THE SALVATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST BEAR FRUIT IN MY LIFE HERE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS BE EVERLASTING.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE "For The Beauty of The Earth"
No 92

THE PRAYER FOR OUR SINFUL ACTIONS (Unison)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GREAT LOVE AND BLESSINGS OVER OUR LIVES. THANK YOU FOR THE RICHNESS AND POWER OF CHRIST. FORGIVE US FOR SOMETIMES FORGETTING THAT YOU ARE INTIMATELY ACQUAINTED WITH ALL OUR WAYS, THAT YOU KNOW WHAT CONCERNS US AND WHAT WE DO. WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR YOU BECAUSE WE STRUGGLE WHEN WE KNOW THAT OUR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE IN NEED OF A MIRACLE BY YOUR HAND. WE ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE SO THAT WE MIGHT WALK FULLY IN YOUR BLESSING AND GOODNESS TODAY. WE PRAY THAT YOU WOULD OPEN HEART THAT WILL LEAD US IN YOUR DIRECTION FOR OUR LIVES AND FOR OUR LOVED ONES. MAY YOUR HOLY SPIRIT FORCE BE OUR GUIDE. AMEN

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION/EUCHARIST
No 12 Let Us Prepare Our Mind And Spirit To Receive The Sanctified Body And Blood Of Christ.
THE TIME FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION
Piano/Organ Allow Your Own Renewed Spirit To Reflect Upon The Sacrifice Christ Made For You.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM "Rise Up Ye 'Saints' of God"
Chancel Choir

THE OFFERING, OFFERTORY "Fairest Lord Jesus" Bill Dawson, Organ

PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERING IN THE PLATES AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCE!

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Him, All Creatures Here Below; Praise Him Above, Ye Heavenly Host, Praise Father, Son, And Holy Ghost. Amen

THE PRAYERS Concerns Pastoral Prayer Response
No 471

THE APOSTLES CREED
No 881 **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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE II Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Rev. Karen Gaston/Mewborn

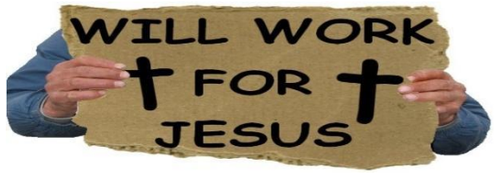
THE SERMON ***"The Christian and Labor Day!"*** **Rev. Ted Althouse**

THE HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" No *57*

THE PASTORAL BENEDICTION AND LAITY RESPONSE (Sung in Unison)

"Bless Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love: The Fellowship Of Kindred Minds, Is Like To That Above."

THE POSTLUDE "Polonaise" by Chopin Bill Dawson, Piano



Next Sunday: September 11, 2022
SERMON TOPIC: "*Living With God & Humankind*
. *In Today's World!"*
Scripture Reference: Mark 4:26-34

- ***The Altar Flower Arrangement Is Presented By The Althouse Family In Honor Of Rev. Althouse Birthday On September 5th.***



Sue Bailey, Bev Baskie, Carol Cessna, Jim & Judy Herron, Diana Hoatson (Linda Brown sister), Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Cindy Fiska, Cyndi Koski, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Kit Olen, Pat Rhoda, Janice Rinker, Sue Shipley, Dot Streck, Aline Wolf, and all other individuals who need God's healing touch. Pray For Healing And Peace Of Our Country Under The Siege Of Gun Warfare And Ending of Ukrainian War.



WORKING FOR JESUS!

Jesus said: ***"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."*** (Matthew 11:28-30)

Labor/Work! Some people hate to do it. Some love to do it. Some go to great lengths to avoid doing it. Some do it too much. While there are many different attitudes toward labor/work, one thing remains constant: work must be done. Since God's creation of the Garden of Eden and humankind, everyone has worked or depended on someone else's work for their survival. Work determines a person's lifestyle…where you live, when you sleep and eat, the time with family, even your spiritual life.

Work Is Ordained By God. It was His creative development from the beginning of time. The Bible declares that God worked (Genesis 1). Think of it this way, by working we resemble God. Like God, most individuals have the ability to work, make plans, implement them, and be creative. Additionally, God gave us the task of ruling over and taking care of all His creation (Genesis 1:28, Genesis 2:15).

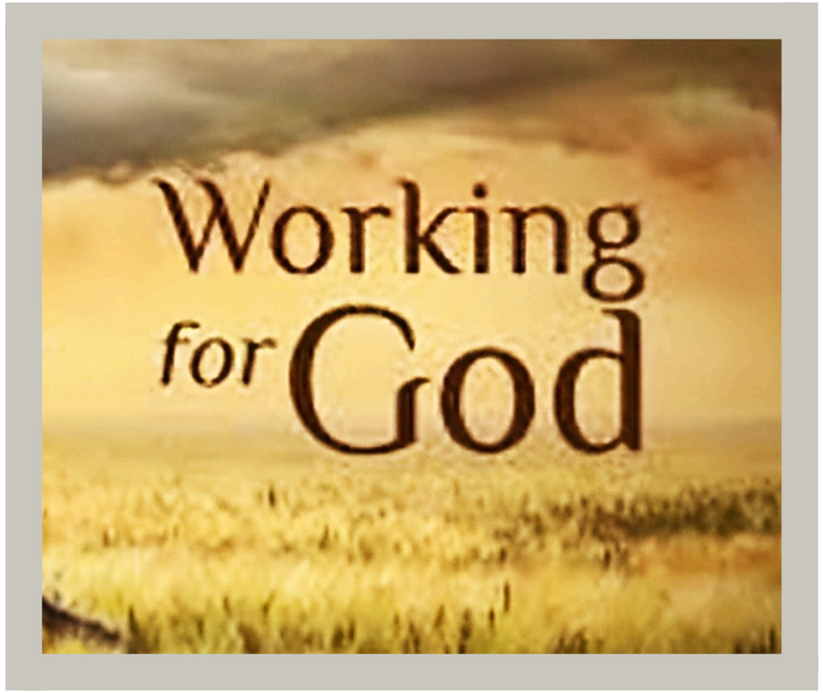
Work Is For A Lifetime. "*By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground"*. (Genesis 3:19). God intends that humans, which are capable, are to work as long as they live. Meaningful activity plays a critical role in being a human being - whether paid or volunteer. The magical age of 65 shouldn't end meaningful, purposeful ways of doing God's work. Granted there comes a time we no longer do physical labor but God's work is never done. Sharing the good news of life eternal should always be a part of everyone's work ethic…be you young or old.

Work Is Not A Punishment. God did not create work as drudgery, but as a gift of fulfillment to life. A lot depends on how one approaches and perceives work. Christ's work of saving souls has never ended and so it is with each of us. "A human being *can do nothing better than...find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, for without Him, who can eat or find enjoyment"?* (Ecclesiastes 2:24-25)

All vocations and all kinds of work, assuming they are legal and biblically ethical, must be honorable before the Lord. If the work you do is moral, decent and worthy then there should be no separation between sacred and secular work…it all depends on how you perform. Remember, all work brings glory to God and fulfillment to you, if it is done to God's glory . ***"So, whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."*** (1 Corinthians 10:31).

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