20th Sunday after Pentecost

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SILENT MEDITATION in PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Singing praise to the Lord vindicating in victory, the Lord God is with us. We share in His steadfast love, and make joyful noise. The melody is all around us. I want to listen to the sounds of the Earth around me. Help me appreciate the beauty in the sounds that surround my every day.

GATHERING MUSIC

Jack Serwe

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The hills are alive, music abounds let me hear the chirps of the birds, the chatter of squirrels and other sounds of nature.

ALL: Beauty and sounds are all around open my ears to listen for more than the busyness of life.

One: Let righteousness abound in the world. The Lord's presence is coming!

ALL: With the sounds of the trumpet and the horn, let me make a joyful noise!

** HYMN # 435 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" IN BABILONE

CALL TO CONFESSION

New every morning is God's love for us, and so new each day is our opportunity to clean the slate, to make our confession, and to be assured of God's forgiveness and love. On this new day, let us come to God in prayer.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

My life is not now nor has it ever been perfect and neither has my attitude or behavior. Not every noise I have made has been joyful, not every thought has been pure. I have had times I have been unfaithful and lived outside the expectations of the Lord, for this I confess my sins and wrongdoings. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: (from Psalm 145) The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them. The Lord watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever. Through Gods love and Jesus we can know we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God! Amen!

GLORIA PATRI

** # **582**

(Vasile) GLORY TO GOD

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

**The Peace

One: We are gathered together in the name of the Lord. It's a time to rejoice and be glad.

ALL: I shall exalt in His name and make a joyful noise!

One: We are called to spread God's word and God's love shouts joy from the heavens!

ALL: We greet each other in His name! Amen and Amen!

PENNY SUNDAY

WITNESS of MUSIC

Jack Serwe

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

ALL: Eternal God, you promise to give wisdom and insight to all who ask. As your Word is read, open our eyes, as in Psalm 119:18, that we might behold wondrous things out of your law. May the Spirit guide us into all truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (from PastorJasonElder.com)

1st Scripture Reading:

Psalm 98:1-9

O sing to the LORD a new song,

for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm

have gained him victory.

The LORD has made known his victory;

he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness

to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen

the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands;

let the hills sing together for joy

at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming

to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

May God bless our understanding of this reading from the Holy Word. All: Unto His Name be glory and praise.

2nd READING 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION "Big Anniversaries in History"

Elder Mark Brodaczynski

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

GAPC Mission Statement

As a family of faith, guided by tradition and inclusivity, we believe in actively supporting our neighbors through mission and worship.

**HYMN #465 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" CONVERSE

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE & the Lord's Prayer

INVITATION to CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

One of the greatest ways we can give thanks to God is to share His mission. Making joyful noise takes work and our gifts make that happen. This is a time of giving, a way to make joyful noise that shares mission and vision beyond what we can see.

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY: # 609

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**PRAYER of DEDICATION

Loving God, we know you love a joyful noise, our gifts can make those noises explode from every corner of the Earth. We call You to stretch every dollar and make each coin chime out and ring loudly so Your work expands and expounds beyond our imagination! Amen.

**Hymn #409 "God Is Here"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Elder Mark Brodaczynski

**POSTLUDE

Jack Serwe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 6 - Kerstin Lefevre

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- 7 Benjamin Roger Kaczmarski
- 10 Diane Edward
- 18 Rick Dettman
- 21 Rob Kaczmarski
- 27 Judy Dickson
- 28 Kylie Payton
- 29 Ken Burke; Kathie ("Kat") Smith

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

November 18 - Pam & Dan Bailey 22 - Alisa and Justin Karweik