THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost
October 10, 2021
Roy St Onge, Music Director – Jim Wert, Pianist – Bill Dawson, Organist

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THE PRELUDE "Morning Has Broken" Cat Stevens (Video)

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
Pastor: In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.
PEOPLE: WE GATHER, ALIVE TO THE WORD OF GOD.
Pastor: You call us to be fully alive with your abundant life,
PEOPLE: WE RESPOND WITH HEART, SOUL, STRENGTH, AND MIND.
Pastor: You call us to be always watchful for your Words of wisdom.
PEOPLE: WE ARE HERE MY LORD, COME DWELL AMONG US ALWAYS.

HYMN OF PRAISE "This Is My Father's World" Fountainview Academy (Video)

THE CONFESSION OF SINS (Unison)
GRACIOUS AND LOVING GOD, OPEN OUR HEARTS SO THAT WE ARE ABLE TO ADMIT TO YOU THE FULLNESS OF OUR LIVES – THAT WHICH IS BEAUTIFUL AND GOOD AND THAT WHICH IS HURTFUL AND HATEFUL. WE CONFESS THAT WE DO NOT ALWAYS FOLLOW JESUS IN ALL THAT WE DO. WE OFTEN LOVE OTHERS WITH CONDITION AND JUDGEMENT. SOMETIMES WE CAST THE FIRST STONE AND FORGET THAT WE ARE SINFUL AS WELL. LORD, WE DO NOT TURN TO YOU AS OFTEN AS WE SHOULD. FORGIVE US FOR OUR SINFULNESS AND EMPOWER US TO BE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST IN LOVE AND SERVICE. AMEN.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Dutchforward (Video)

THE OFFERING, DEDICATION AND OFFERTORY
Doxology (Unison)
"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"
Your Generous Offerings Unto Almighty God Are The Only Upkeep Of Our Church.
Offerings Can Be Taken To The Consignors Desk (Cypress Cove Residents) And/or
Mailed To: Chapel of Cypress Cove -10200 Cypress Cove Drive, Fort Myers FL 33908!

THE HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION "In The Garden" Elvis Presley (Video)

THE PRAYERS Concerns Pastoral Prayer Lord's Prayer - Carlo Fontana (Video)

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE Mark 2:1-12

THE SERMON MESSAGE: *"Who Do We Let In?"* Rev. Ted Althouse

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 "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" (Video)



Next Sunday: October 17, 2021
SERMON TOPIC: *"Who Is Family?"*

Scripture Reference: Ephesians 4:3,7,11-16

The Flower Arrangement Is In Honor Of Cal Eells As We All Celebrate His 100th Birthday. May Almighty God Continue To Provide Him With HIS Love, Mercy And Grace.

NO BIBLE STUDY UNTIL IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES RESUME!
(This week's personal at home Bible study scripture suggestion: Mark Chapter 2)

"Don't let circumstances distress you. Rather, look for the will of God for your life to be revealed in and through those circumstances." – Billy Graham

"If we let our worries overpower our faith in God, we do not give the Word of God the opportunity to produce God's truth in our lives." – Nicole C. Calhoun, Victory's Road

"The more you reaffirm who you are in Christ, the more your behavior will begin to reflect your true identity." - Unknown



JoAnne Ahern, Cele Barcaro, Edwin Basler, Rob Bradford's family, Ed Badin, Ron Busch, Robert Bradford, Byrl Burris, Carol Cessna, Jim & Pat Daniels, Cal Eells, Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Cindy Fiska, Bess Gross, Frank Haskell, Vernon Hazard, Cyndi Koski, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Paul & Barb McNitt, Margie Mitchell, Kit Olen, Larry & Pat Rhoda, Dot Streck, Cheryl Spence, Carol Stanley, Aline Wolf, Jan Ziegler and all other individuals who need God's healing touch. Pray for the poor, the wicked and unjust that they might find the saving grace of Jesus Christ.



Faith Feeds On The Word Of God AND WILL LET US IN TO FEEL HIS PRESENCE!

Without a steady diet of God's Words, our faith gets weaker and weaker. If you are dissatisfied with your Christian courage and joy and purity of heart, check the way you are feeding your faith.

Example: Suppose that you start the day with a glass of orange juice. It's good, and good for you. Then you go off doing your daily routine. Then you don't eat anything else until the next morning and you have another glass of juice with nothing else. As this unhealthy routine continues you will soon not be any good to yourself or others.

That's the way a lot of Christians try to survive as believers. They feed their faith with five minutes of scriptural food in the morning or evening and then don't dine on scripture again until 24 hours later. Some even skip one or two mornings or evenings and don't give their faith anything to eat for days. Now the effect of starving your spiritual body is that faith starves also. Not hard to understand. When faith is starving, it is weak and not able to do much for your well-being. It has a hard time trusting God and worshipping and rejoicing and resisting sin without proper spiritual/scriptural feeding. Live becomes stagnate.

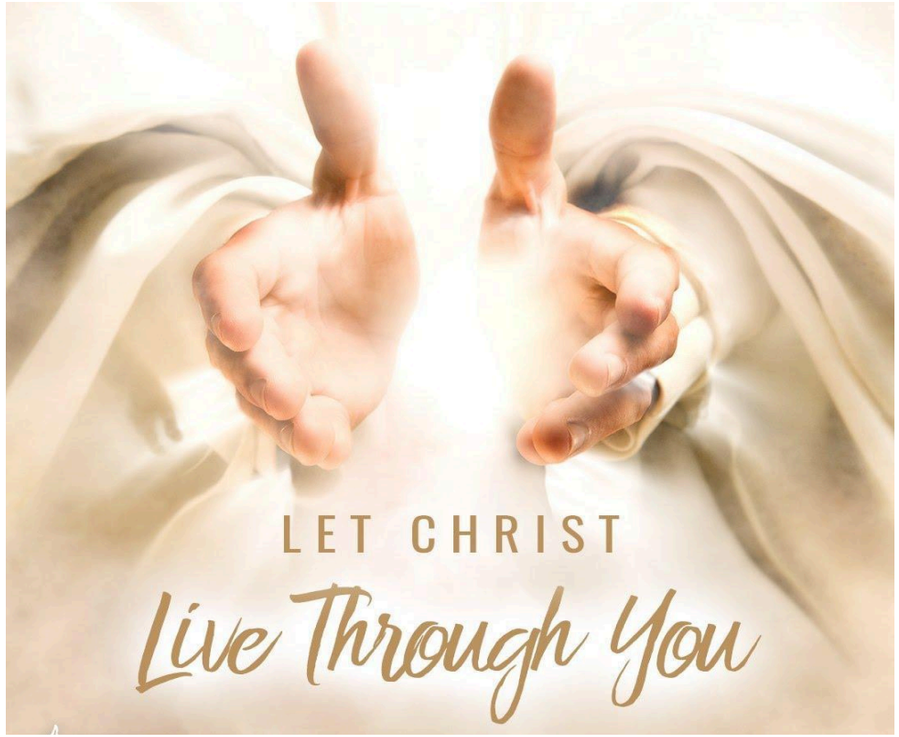
"Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of Christ." (Romans 10:17) If faith comes by the Word of God, it goes away by the absence of the Word. The person who hears and studies the Word of God day and night feeds his/her faith alive day and night, so that his/her trust is stronger. This means that we should be reading and studying God's Holy Scriptures day by day so that we can feed our faith throughout the day. Only a few people have the luxury of being able to open a Bible every hour or so. But all of us can consult our memory of some scripture verses as often as possible during the day.

Faith also opens the door to deepen our belief in the ritual of Holy Communion /Eucharist. When we feed upon the sanctified body and blood of Jesus Christ, we become renewed not only in our faith but in our daily walk with Christ. Our faith in the combined unity of Almighty God, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit, as one entity, becomes our savior, redeemer, sustainer and liberator. Where is your Bible right now?

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