

THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Eighth Sunday In Epiphany/Christmastide
February 20, 2022
Roy St Onge, Music Director – Jim Wert, Pianist – Bill Dawson, Organist

THE PRELUDE “Come Christians Join To Sing”
Jim Wert, 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 AND INVOCATION
Pastor: There is a love that never ceases,
PEOPLE: A CREATIVITY THAT DESIGNED THE UNIVERSE, A HOPE
THAT CANNOT BE QUENCHED, A PURSUIT OF RECONCILIATION
NO MATTER THE COST: THESE ARE THE THINGS THAT ARE OF
GOD, SO LET US WORSHIP OUR GOD OF LOVE, GRACE AND
MERCY. AMEN

THE HYMN OF PRAISE “More Love To Thee, O Christ”
No 453

THE CONFESSION OF OUR SINFUL ACTIONS (Unison)

THE HEART OF OUR CHRISTIAN LIFE IS LOVE WHICH WAS FULLY
DISPLAYED WHEN CHRIST WENT TO THE CROSS FOR THE
FORGIVENESS OF OUR SINS. THIS LOVE OF CHRIST CONTINUALLY
GROWS AND IS STRENGTHENED THROUGH RIGHTEOUSNESS
AND GOOD LIVING. BUT WHEN WE STUMBLE ON OUR SINFUL
THOUGHTS AND ACTIONS, WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE, JESUS
CHRIST TO BRING US BACK INTO THE SPIRITUAL REALM

THROUGH FORGIVENESS. THANK YOU, LORD, FOR THIS GIFT OF
MERCY AND COMPASSION. AMEN!

THE CHORAL ANTHEM “Freely, Freely”
Chancel Choir

Mary Reed-Assistant Choral

Director

THE OFFERING, OFFERTORY, DOXOLOGY
“I Love To Tell The Story” Jim
Wert, Piano

*PLEASE PLACE YOUR OFFERINGS 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 Lord’s Prayer
Response No 471

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE John 13

THE SERMON MESSAGE: “God’s Love Continues Forever?”
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 HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION “Go Make Of All Disciples”
No 571

THE POSTLUDE “All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name”
Jim Wert, Piano



NEXT SUNDAY: February 27, 2022
SERMON TEXT: *“It Is Tempting....?”*
SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Luke 4:1-12

The Altar Floral Arrangement Is Presented By Kit Olen In Memory Of One Of The Chapel Of Cypress Cove's Founders Preston Lightsey.

““Think of the purest, most all-consuming love you can imagine. Now multiply that love by an infinite amount—that is the measure of God’s love for you.” Dieter F. Uchtdorf

“Nothing binds me to my Lord like a strong belief in His changeless love.” Charles H. Spurgeon

“God is unchanging in His love. He loves you. He has a plan for your life. Don’t let the newspaper headlines frighten you. God is still sovereign; He’s still on the throne.” Billy Graham

*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*
Edwin Basler, Ed Baden, Carol Cessna, Claudia Hackler-Compton, Jim & Pat Daniels, Cal Eells, Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Penny Filiatrault, Cindy Fiska, Lea Garrett, Bess Gross, Frank Haskell, Rhonda Holtzclaw & family, Cyndi Koski, Glenda Lemay, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Margie Mitchell, Kit Olen, Bob Osborne, Larry & Pat Rhoda, Dot Streck, Richard Striffler, Aline Wolf, Jan Ziegler and all other individuals who need God’s healing touch. [**Pray For World Stability and Healing.**](#)



GOD’S LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!!

Throughout Psalm 136, the psalmist repeats the phrase “His love endures forever” after each praise. The Psalmist is referring to God’s love in this Psalm as he states “Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.” (Psalm 13:6-1) Is it true that God’s love truly endures forever?

God’s love is different from the love humankind possesses. God’s love is not based on what we do but on what we believe. God’s love is known as *agape* love. *Agape* love

refers to an unconditional love. This is the unconditional love that God has for each of us and it endures forever. God’s love never ends. God’s love could have stopped the moment of the sins

of man in Genesis (Adam and Eve disobeyed God). However, His love did not end toward mankind but gave us this first example of His unconditional love.

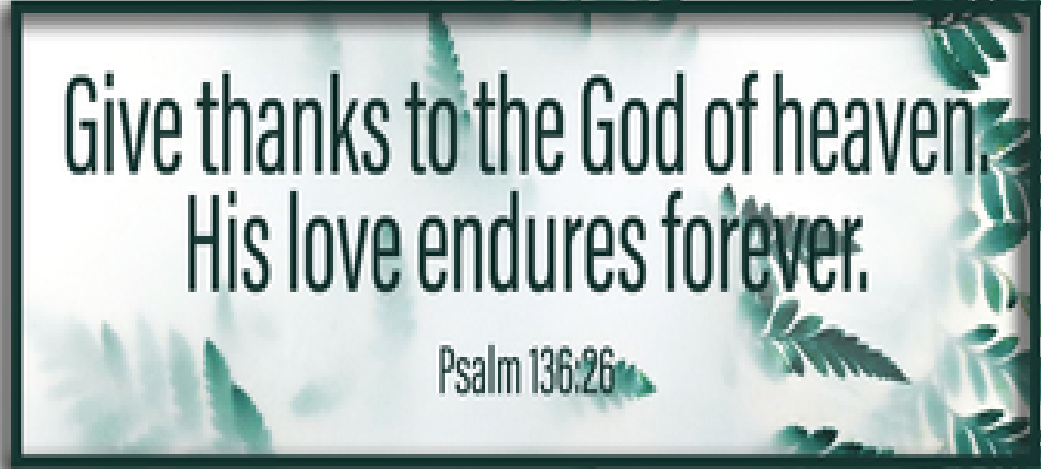
The most extensive form of God’s love is shown to us in the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Father sent His Son to die for the sins of the world (John 3:16-17). God did this because He loves everyone with an enduring love. His love will not change, waver, or fade. God’s character, nature, and love will never change. “*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.*” (Hebrews 13:8). Since God is love and He is the creator of love, His love will endure forever because He does not change. His love will remain forever and into eternity. We can know this to be true because when a person places faith in Jesus, the individual is given eternal life in addition to forgiveness of their sins. The fact of a person receiving the gift of eternal life gives support for the truth that God’s love does indeed endure forever. Eternity with God will be paradise, amazing, and full of worship and love of God. His love for us will never weaken as His love is constant and strong.

For believers, at the moment of death, they are taken to be with the Lord in Heaven. In Heaven, believers will be able to worship God and give God the praise and glory forever. For all eternity, believers will be able to experience God’s unconditional love. However, as we live in the world, everyone can also experience God’s love today by believing in Jesus Christ and accepting Him as your Savior and Lord. If you have already accepted Christ as your Savior, you can already feel God’s enduring love. Also, it is important to remember that God’s love is more than just a feeling. It is an understanding of who God is and what he continues to do for you. You do not have to feel God’s enduring love to actually know it is there. God’s love is forever!

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Give thanks to the God of heaven.
His love endures forever.

Psalm 136:26

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