RE-CREATING THE SABBATH/PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

Trinity Sunday May 30,2021

*Peace with Justice Sunday is observed on the first Sunday after Pentecost. This day witnesses to God’s demand for a faithful, just, disarmed and secure world and it’s special offering allows The United Methodist Church to have a voice in advocating for peace and justice through a broad spectrum of global programs advocating for peace and justice at home and around the world. Annual conferences keep half of the offering to fund local projects while a portion goes to the General Board of Church and Society (GBCS) Peace with Justice Program to fund U.S. and global work in social action and public policy education and advocacy.*

 **We Gather in the Spirit**

**Prelude** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit UMH #404* Cody Clayton, pianist

 UMH #64

**Welcoming and Sharing Opportunities for Ministry** Pastor Catiana

**Honoring our Graduates** *See attached page*

**Hymn for Gathering** *Holy, Holy, Holy UMH #64*  Words: Reginald Heber, 1826/Music: John B. Dykes, 1861

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty.**

**Early in the morning Our song shall rise to Thee**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty.**

**God in three persons. Blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee.**

**Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy. There is none beside Thee.**

**Perfect in power, in love and purity**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty.**

**Oh thy works shall praise Thy name In earth and sky and sea.**

**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty.**

**God in three persons. Blessed Trinity**

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer Liturgist: Dale Henze

One: People of God, look around, God is with us. Open your eyes and let it be known – where you have seen the God of creation, where the Body of Christ is at work, where the Spirit is living and moving.

**All: God who creates, we have seen you in your good creation. God who saves, we have seen you at work in the world. God who renews, we have seen your restoring love touching the hearts of the people of the earth. We are thankful. Amen.**

**Hymn Response** *We Are Called* TFWS #2172 Music/Text: David Haas

1. **Come, live in the light**

 **Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord**

 **We are called to be light for the kingdom**

 **To live in the freedom of the city of God**

 **We are called to act with justice**

 **We are called to love tenderly**

 **We are called to serve one another**

 **To walk humbly with God**

**2. Come, open your heart**

 **Show your mercy to all those in fear**

 **We are called to be hope for the hopeless**

 **so all hatred and blindness will be no more.**

 **We are called to act with justice.**

 **We are called to love tenderly.**

 **We are called to serve one another**

 **To walk humbly with God**

**We are called to act with justice. We are called to love tenderly**

**We are called to serve one another. To walk humbly with God**

**Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance** Liturgist

One: Most gracious God who gives us life, as Christ gave himself as the living sacrifice for peace, empower us to become peacemakers.

**All: Forgive us when our hopes are exclusive instead of inclusive, when justice is for the few instead of available to all.** **Confront us until all that is good in us grows.**

One: You, O God, touch our hearts and restore us to wholeness. Your forgiveness lives through us. May peace and justice prevail, and may we become one family in Christ.

**All: Through our words, thoughts and deeds, may we continue to build your reign on earth and to become the source of your blessings for others. Amen.**

**Affirming the Peace Among Us**

Leader: The peace of the risen Christ is with you! **All:** **And also with you!**

You are invited to turn to the people around you & wave as a sign of graceful greetings this day.

We Hear God’s Word

**Hebrew Scripture Reading** Isaiah6:1-8 NRSV

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.” The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

And I said: “*Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!*” Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

**New Testament Reading** Romans 8:12-17 NRSV

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**Witness to the Gospel** “On the Trail of the Trinity 5th Sunday Galena Churches

We Respond in Faith

**Prayer Song**  *Breath On Me, Breath of God*  UMH #420

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,**

**Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,**

**And do what Thou wouldst do.**

**Invitation for Prayer Pastor Catiana**

*Please take time for reflection.*

Prayers of the People

Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, God of our past, our present and our future,

We thank you, for your companionship, your guidance, and your grace. …

… Lead us in prayer as we pray the prayer of Jesus….

 Prayer of Jesus *Our God has many names. You are invited to address God in your native language*

*or in the form closest to your heart as we join in the prayer of Jesus:*

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

FROM THE RITUAL OF THE FORMER METHODIST CHURCH

**Offering Our Resources and our Energy**

We know that proclaiming resurrection and daring to follow your light that shines on our path, doesn’t mean that things are all OK. But it does bring us the energy we need if we are to continue to follow your Spirit of justice and find your ways of service. So let us continue to live generous lives.

Offering our Gifts *There is a wooden Box on the table provided for your giving or you may*

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Ministry Moment Peace with Justice Sunday on May 30th

In a world plagued by war and terror, violence and destruction, people of faith have a clear call to build peace with justice. Scripture is consistent in the call for followers of Christ to love our enemies (Matthew 5:44-45a), forgive others their trespasses (Matthew 6:14-15), to overcome evil with good (Romans 12:21), and to seek peace and pursue it (Psalm 34:14). Peacemakers are blessed and called the children of God (Matthew 5:9). Please write “Peace With Justice Sunday on your check or indicate an amount of your giving for PWJS.

**\*Offering our Gifts**

(Please remember that your loose change can make a difference!

“CHANGE FOR THE BETTER”- ARC (Galena Art and Recreation Center)

Singing our Thanksgiving *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**All: We see the needs in our world, we know we can make a difference,**

 **may these gifts be a part of what makes the dif­ference. Amen.**

We Go Forth in God’s Spirit

**\*Closing Song** *Here I Am, Lord* UMH #593 Words/Music: Daniel L. Schutte.

I the lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry;

 All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.

 I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

 Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

 Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.

 I will go, Lord, If You lead me; I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain;

 I have wept for love of them – They turn away.

 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone;

 I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?

 Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.

 I will go, Lord, If You lead me; I will hold Your people in my heart.

Blessing & Sending Forth

**Postlude** In the Midst of New Dimensions TFWS #2238

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***to fulfill Christ’s Great Command to love God & love neighbor, & Christ’s Great Commission to make disciples.***

Mission: **“Love God” “Love Neighbor” “Make Disciples*”***

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We practice loving acceptance of each person and respectful discussion of our differences.

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