

## **Commission and Benediction**

P As people of faith we have gathered for worship.

C **As people of faith we now return to the world.**

P Go out to share the story of faith,  
the story of life, with the world around you.

C **We share the faith in word and in deed,  
in speech and in action.**

P As you go out to give a living witness,  
as you go out to testify to God's love active in the world,  
go knowing that God goes with you,  
sharing the laughter and the hope, the fears and the tears.

C **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*~ posted by Rev Gord on his blog, Worship Offerings.*

## **Dismissal**

A Go in Peace. Christ is with you.

C **Thanks be to God!**

A Together with Christ...

C **We Care!**

## **Postlude**

**\*\*Communion is available upon exiting the church.**

*CCLI Song #16811*

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**5th Sunday after Pentecost**

**Saturday, July 4, 2020**

**5:00 PM**

**Sunday, July 5, 2020**

**9:00 AM**

**+ GATHERING +**

## **Prelude**

### **Call to Worship**

P Holy Spirit, come abide within,

C **May Your joy be seen in all I do.**

P Love enough to cover every sin,

C **In each thought and deed and attitude.**

P Kindness to the greatest and the least,

C **Gentleness that sows the path of peace.**

P Turn my strivings into works of grace;

C **Breath of God show Christ in all I do.**

### **Opening Prayer**

A You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised.

C **You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**+ WORD +**

**First Reading** Zechariah 9:9-12

**Second Reading** Romans 7:15-25a

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

**Message**

**Moment of Reflection/Musical Offering**

**Prayers of the People**

*each petition ends:*      A Hear us, O God,  
   C **your mercy is great.**  
*the prayers conclude:*    A ... through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
   C **Amen.**

**Prayer of Confession and Assurance**

P Let us confess our sins to God and to one another.  
C **Triune God,**  
**We praise you as the God of love and life.**  
**Though Jesus prayed that we would be one,**  
**we confess that we fail to live in unity with each other and with you.**  
**We break our communion through hostile words and unkind actions.**

**We long for your Spirit to heal us and to correct us.**  
**We long for you to help us experience communion with you and with each other**  
**as we gather around your Word [and table].**  
**Even now, dependent on your grace, we commit ourselves to live more fully in the unity you desire. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Words of Assurance**

P God has promised that whenever we repent  
and seek a new union with God,  
forgiveness is ours.  
That promise comes true now.  
Sisters and brothers, know that in Christ Jesus,  
we are forgiven.  
C **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**+ COMMUNION +**

**Communion Prayer**

P God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song.  
C **Amen.**

**Words of Institution**

**The Lord's Prayer**