

# Farragut Presbyterian Church

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

July 5, 2020



## ~The Gathering~

Prelude

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*  
Tami Newsom, organ

Dykes

Greeting

Rev. Matt Nieman

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Who will save us from the ways of death?

**Jesus Christ our Lord; thanks be to God!**

Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn #564

*O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*  
Led by FPC Chancel Choir

Materna

**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!**

**O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!**

**O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,  
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!  
America! America! May God thy gold refine  
Till all success be nobleness and every gain divine!**

**O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!**

Prayer of Confession

**Lord, we marvel at the thought of a well-fitted yoke, a burden scaled to match our frames; we do not know how to rest in the promise of such labor. Some of us are weary from unceasing responsibility; others find no welcome in the marketplace. Forgive our blind striving, our stifled concern, the judgments we cast on others. Make yourself known to us in the silence. Shape your children for the commonwealth of your love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

~The Word~

Prayer for Illumination

Jacob Nieman

**Merciful God, in this moment of stillness, wash us clean of our presumptions. Receive us as your weary children. Then, by the power of your Spirit, bless us with a word that revives, for we pray in the name of Jesus, your living Word. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:28-30

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Psalm 45

Dr. Angela Batey, cantor

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Make the Lord's Name to be re - mem - bered.

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; forget your people and your father's house. The king will have pleasure in your beauty; he is your master, therefore do him honor. The people of Tyre are here with a gift; the rich among the people seek your favor." **(R)**

All glorious is the princess as she enters; her gown is cloth-of-gold. In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; after her the bridesmaids follow in procession. With joy and gladness they are brought, and enter into the palace of the king. **(R)**

"In the palace of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; you shall make them princes over all the earth. I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever." **(R)**

Second Scripture Reading: Romans 7:15-25a

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"When Our Best Efforts Fail"

Rev. Matt Nieman

## ~The Response~

Affirmation of Faith (from the *Confession of 1967*)

**The risen Christ is the Savior for all. Those joined to him by faith are set right with God and commissioned to serve as God's reconciling community. Christ is head of this community, the Church, which began with the apostles and continues through all generations. The same Jesus is the judge of all. His judgment disclosed the ultimate seriousness of life and gives promise of God's final victory over the power of sin and death. To receive life from the risen Lord is to have life eternal.**

## ~The Eucharist~

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion

## ~The Sending~

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Stars and Stripes Forever*  
Dallas Winds

J.P. Sousa

