

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 19, 2020

PRELUDE *How Fair and Pleasant Art Thou Op. 18, no.5* Dupré (1886-1971)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord God stands beside us and proclaims: "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac;

People: Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go.

Leader: Let us worship the One who pursues us in our daydreaming and night dreams!

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN *We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder* Jacob's Ladder

1 We are climbing Jacob's ladder, children of the cross.

2 Every round goes higher, higher, children of the cross.

3 We are climbing higher, higher, children of the cross.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Living God, your Word is always pursuing us, both when we are awake and asleep.

Let us confess that we often ignore your Word. We spend our time worrying about

The past and future. We do not pay attention to our present.

We ignore our dreams. Forgive us. May your Spirit make us aware of the many ways in which you speak to us.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, the Good News of the Gospel is that God does not give up on us.

His Word is always before us.

People: In Christ we find forgiveness. Thanks be to God!

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Greatorex (1816-1853)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be.

World without end, Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 28:10-19 (NRSV)

10 Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. 11 He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. 12 And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. 13 And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; 14 and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. 15 Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." 16 Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" 17 And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

18 So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. 19 He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

SERMON *Surely the Lord is in this Place and I did not know it!* Rev. Dr. Wray Sherman

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM *Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place* Wolfe (b. 1942)

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.

Kimberlea, Maximilian and Roger Daggy

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory

Doxology Hymn 606

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from Whom all blessing flow; Praise Him, all creatures, here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

Dismissal

1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;

Let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound:

May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound:

Ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sonata in B-flat, Op. 65, no. 4: Allegro con brio

Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Looking Ahead!!!!

July 26, 2020 Theme

God Moves in a mysterious way.

God works through the small, seemingly insignificant, events of our lives.

Our eyes are often veiled to God's presence.

We sometimes get more than we bargained for.

Scripture reading will be Genesis 29:15-28

Prayers for Health and Other Concerns:

The Legacy: Eloise Morris

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab

Summit Square: Ruth Quillen, Lillian Hryshkanych

Home: Dick Huff, Nancy Garber, Mary Ultee, Edie Lawrence, Steve Doherty, Nancy Snyder

Friends and Family: Andy & Jean Robeson, Wanda Braden, Lucy Colbert, Charlie Fairchilds (Cunninghams), Nancy Vilain, Chris Davenport (Jen Jones), Danny Smith (Nancy Hypes), Jennifer & Charlotte Sergeant (Kathy Brown), Emily Bardeen (Sandi Henderson), Kathy Doyle (Cindy & Rodger Doyle), Peter Johnson, Lawrence Maddox, Joan Blazek, Glenn Fields, Sr. (Jen Jones), Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton), Grayson Coleman, Tony Poplin (Colleen Cash), Marianna Callaway (Ruth Kelley) Helen Schurz (Holly Bennett)

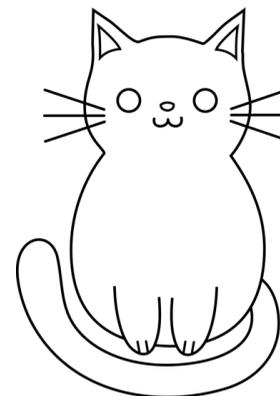
Military: Jeremiah Henderson, Carson Craig

Missionaries: Elmarie & Scott Parker, PC (USA) Regional Liaisons to Iraq, Syria & Lebanon

Litugist; Betsy Ruehl and Colleen Cash

A/V Technician: Craig Cavanaugh

Rev. Dr. Wray Sherman- is Pastor at Hermitage Presbyterian Church



It is Cat Time