

The Falls Village Congregational Church

July 9, 2022 5 p.m.

5th Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Richard W. Reifsnyder, Worship Leader

Welcome and Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - arr. J. Carter

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO PRAISE

Call to Worship – Isaiah 40:28-29

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Our Lord is the everlasting God,

The creator of the ends of the earth.

Our God does not faint or grow weary.

Our God's understanding is unsearchable.

Our God gives power to the faint,

And to those who have no might he increases strength. .

Prayer for God's Presence (Unison):

Give to us this day, O Lord, humility to listen to your word, wisdom to understand your word, obedience to follow your word, strength to live out your word, through Jesus who is the Word, who came to dwell among us, full of grace and truth. Amen.

Opening Hymn #25 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" vv. 1-3

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Holy God, we come in confession for our lack of love. We have neither loved ourselves nor our neighbors. We have passed by suffering and misfortune because of fear or busyness or preoccupation. We have held prejudices against people as deep as those against the Samaritans. Heal our pains, amend our faults, and guide us in ways of danger and compassion, for we pray in the name of Jesus, our most beloved neighbor, who cared for us even to the cross. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Responsive Reading – Psalm 107: 1-9, 33-43, p.. 755

Gloria Patri

#35 in hymnal

Passing of the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you.

Let us pass the peace of Christ.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Luke 10:25-37

Frank Hadsell

Rich Reifsnyder

Prayer

Sermon: "God's Expansive Neighborhood"

The Rev. Richard W. Reifsnyder

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Musical Offering "Take My Life, and Let it Be" - Dexheimer-Pharris,
arr. M. Sedio

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

THE CHURCH DISPERSES TO SERVE

Hymn #600 "Jesu, Jesu"

Benediction

Benediction Response

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

You are invited to place your offerings as you leave in the plate at either entrance to the church.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Descant

5. Praise to the Lord! O let all of earth's peo - ples and

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, who rules all cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nour - ish thy life and re -
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all of earth's peo - ples and

rac - es, all that hath life and breath, give thanks for man - i - fold

1. a - tion. O my soul, wor - ship the well-spring of health and sal -
2. reign - eth, who, as on wings of an ea - gle up - lift - ed, sus -
3. fend thee. Sure - ly God's good-ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at -
4. store thee, fit - ting thee well for the tasks that are ev - er be -
5. rac - es, all that hath life and breath, give thanks for man - i - fold

grac - es. Let the A - men sound from God's peo - ple a -

1. va - tion. All ye who hear, now to God's tem - ple draw
2. tain - eth. Hast thou not seen? All that is need - ful hath
3. tend thee. Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can
4. fore thee. Then to thy need God as a moth - er doth
5. grac - es. Let the A - men sound from God's peo - ple a -

gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er sing prais - es.

1. near. Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
2. been grant - ed in what God or - dain - eth.
3. do, who with great love doth be - friend thee.
4. speed, spread-ing the wings of grace o'er thee.
5. gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er sing prais - es.

Psalm 107:1-9, 33-43

RESPONSE

James Weldon Johnson
J. Rosamond Johnson

Lift ev - ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en
ring. Let them re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.

R

- ¹ O give thanks to the LORD, who is good;
whose steadfast love endures forever.
- ² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those redeemed from trouble
- ³ and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- ⁴ Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;
- ⁵ **hungry and thirsty,**
their soul fainted within them.
- ⁶ Then they cried to the LORD,
who delivered them from their distress;
- ⁷ **and led them by a straight way,**
until they reached an inhabited town.
- ⁸ Let them thank the LORD for steadfast love,
for wonderful works to humankind.
- ⁹ **For the LORD satisfies the thirsty,**
and fills the hungry with good things. R

- ³³ The LORD turns rivers into a desert,
springs of water into thirsty ground,
a fruitful land into a salty waste,
because of the wickedness of its inhabitants.
- ³⁴ The LORD turns a desert into pools of water,
a parched land into springs of water.
- ³⁵ **And there the LORD lets the hungry live,**
and they establish a town to live in;
- ³⁶ they sow fields, and plant vineyards,
and get a fruitful yield.
- ³⁷ **They multiply greatly by the blessing of the LORD,**
who does not let their cattle decrease.
- ³⁸ When they are diminished and brought low
through oppression, trouble, and sorrow,
- ³⁹ the LORD pours contempt on despots
and makes them wander in trackless wastes,
- ⁴⁰ **but raises up the needy out of distress,**
and makes their families like flocks.
- ⁴¹ The upright see it and are glad;
and all wickedness stops its mouth.
- ⁴² **Let those who are wise give heed to these things,**
and consider the steadfast love of the LORD. R

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Scripture Lessons for July 9, 2022

DEUTERONOMY 10:12-22

¹²So now, O Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you? Only to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul,¹³ and to keep the commandments of the LORD your God and his decrees that I am commanding you today, for your own well-being.¹⁴ Although heaven and the heaven of heavens belong to the LORD your God, the earth with all that is in it,¹⁵ yet the LORD set his heart in love on your ancestors alone and chose you, their descendants after them, out of all the peoples, as it is today.¹⁶ Circumcise, then, the foreskin of your heart, and do not be stubborn any longer.¹⁷ For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe,¹⁸ who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing.¹⁹ You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.²⁰ You shall fear the LORD your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear.²¹ He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.²² Your ancestors went down to Egypt seventy persons; and now the LORD your God has made you as numerous as the stars in heaven.

LUKE 10:25-37

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity.³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Jesu, Jesu

600

Refrain (Unison)

Musical notation for the first part of the refrain. It consists of two staves: treble and bass. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by '8'). The melody is simple, featuring mostly quarter notes and eighth-note pairs. The lyrics are: "Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show". The bass staff provides harmonic support with sustained notes.

Fine

Musical notation for the second part of the refrain. The key signature changes to F major (no sharps or flats). The time signature remains common time. The melody continues with eighth-note patterns. The lyrics are: "us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you." The bass staff continues to provide harmonic support.

Musical notation for the first stanza of the hymn. The key signature is F major. The time signature is common time. The melody is in the treble clef. The lyrics are: "1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
2. Neigh - bors are rich and poor, var - ied in col - or and
3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their". The bass staff provides harmonic support.

D.C.

Musical notation for the second stanza of the hymn. The key signature is F major. The time signature is common time. The melody is in the treble clef. The lyrics are: "1. feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
2. race, neigh - bors are near and far a - way.
3. love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
4. slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
5. feet, this is the way we should live with you". The bass staff provides harmonic support.