**Celebration of Worship**

**June 7, 2020**

**10:30 a.m.**

***Unashamed in Jesus’ name we gather, grow, and go.***

***Gather - Assemble in Jesus’ Name***

Prelude *Katharine Schendel*

Silent Meditation

Signing of Friendship Register

Call to Worship

Pastor: Our Lord and Ruler, your name is wonderful everywhere on earth!

**People: You let your glory be seen in the heavens above.**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

**O blessed Trinity, in whom we know the maker of all things seen and unseen, the Savior of all both near and far: By your Spirit enable us to worship your divine majesty, so that with all the company of heaven we may magnify your glorious name, saying: Holy, holy, holy. Glory to you, O Lord most high. Amen.**

Announcements

Call to Confession

Pastor: “Why do you care about us humans?

**People: Why are you concerned for us weaklings?**

Pastor: Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin together, and then pause for a moment of private confession.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

**God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Pastor: Lord, you made us a little lower than you yourself,

**People: and you have crowned us with glory and honor.**

Pastor: Friends, in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

*Gloria Patri*

***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.***

Passing of the Peace

***Grow - Proclaim God’s Word***

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Genesis 1:-2:4a (CEV)

Special Music *Katharine Schendel*

Epistle Reading 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 (CEV)

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:16-20(CEV)

Message *Rev. Pat Wadsworth*

Affirmation of Faith (in unison) *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.**

***Give Thanks to God***

Offering *(We urge our church family especially to mail in your tithes and offerings!)*

*The Doxology*

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

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above ye heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

***Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper***

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is truly right and our greatest joy

to give you thanks and praise,’

eternal and triune God.

You spoke the world into being;

your Word became flesh in Jesus Christ;

by your Spirit you made us your people.

When we were lost in sin, you found us,

sending us your prophets

and even your own Son.

Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with choirs of angels

and with all the faithful of every time and place,

who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

You are holy, O God of majesty,

and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Born of Mary, he came to dwell among us,

full of grace and truth.

He forgave our failures,

healed our hurts,

and gave himself in utter sacrifice for those he loved.

After three days you raided him from the dead,

that we might never die.

We remember with thanksgiving our Lord’s Passover meal,

shared with his closest of friends,

in which he took the bread and blessed it,

broke it open, and gave it to them, saying:

This is my body.

Take and eat it, remembering me.

We remember how he took a cup, saying:

This is the new covenant in my blood.

Drink it, all of you, and remember me.

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,

we take from your creation this bread and this wine

and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising,

as we await the day of his coming.

With thanksgiving we offer our very selves to you

to be a living and holy sacrifice,

dedicated to your service.

Christ is the bread of life.

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,**

**we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord**

**until he comes in glory.**

Gracious God,

pour out your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon these your gifts of bread and wine,

that the bread we break

and the cup we bless

may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ

that we may be one with all who share this feast,

united in ministry in every place.

As this bread is Christ’s body for us,

send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

*Prayers of the People*

We pause here to lift up to the Lord those people and causes dear to our hearts.

Keep us faithful in your service

until Christ comes in final victory

and we shall feast with all your saints

in the joy of your eternal realm.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,

now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer *(“debts and debtors”)*

*Communion of the People*

The body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.** (Here receive the bread.)

The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.** (Here receive the juice.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Go - In Jesus’ Name***

Benediction *Rev. Pat Wadsworth*

Postlude *Katharine Schendel*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**OUR DAILY BREAD** – If you would like a copy of Our Daily Bread, please contact Sarah in the Church Office. You can either stop by to pick up a copy or we can mail you a copy. They are for the months of June, July & August.

**PLEDGES/DONATIONS -** during the time we are not meeting for worship "*in person*", **we ask that you mail in your pledges to the church**. The Church address is *518 Roselawn Blvd., Lafayette, LA 70503.* Thank you to everyone that is continuing to support Grace Presbyterian Church during this pandemic.

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS** - Rev. Pat Wadsworth has been posting daily devotionals. They are available for viewing on our Facebook page (*gracelafayette)* and on YouTube at “*gracelafayette”*

**UNITED CHRISTIAN OUTREACH** - if you have any non-perishable food items or paper products you would like to donate to UCO during the time we are not able to meet for worship, please drop these items off at Grace. We are currently gathering these items and will deliver them to UCO soon. Items are needed more now with so many people out of work and children are not in school. You can either drop these items off at the church or you can contact Sarah or Pat to schedule a drop off time. Thank you in advance!

**CAMP AGAPE** - **will be held the weekend of Labor Day (September 4-7, 2020).**

**\*\*Intro Camp - Middle School** *(Completed 1st Grade - Completed 8th Grade).* The cost is $220.00.

**\*\*High School** *(Completed 9th Grade - Completed 12th Grade).* The cost is $250.00.

If you would like to attend Camp Agape, please let Sarah know in the Church Office so we can get you registered and paid. *"A virus will not cancel God's plan for Camp"*

**SYNOD YOUTH WORKSHOP** - **will NOT take place in Tulsa, OK, this summer, but instead they are moving to an online format which will take place July 13-18, 2020.** If you would like to attend SYW online, please let Sarah know in the Church Office so we can make sure you are signed up. Cost is FREE. *Synod Youth Workshop is for Rising 9th Graders - Graduated Seniors*

**SESSION MEETING** – will be on **Monday, June 15th** at **6pm**. The Grace Session will discuss at this meeting the reopening of Grace Church for in person worship services to resume. More info to come as decisions are made!