



Bellflower & Mt Vernon UMC

June 27, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

GREETINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

OPENING PRAYER¹

From fears that paralyze us; **Heal us, O Lord.**

From illness that strangles us; **Heal us, O Lord.**

From sorrows that weigh us down; **Heal us, O Lord.**

From aimlessness that plagues our visions;

Heal us, O Lord.

HYMN 🎵 - #474

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PSALM² - Psalm 130

From the depths of my soul I have cried to you, God.

Please hear my voice. Let your ears hear me and listen to what I have to say.

With you, God, there is plenty of mercy and goodness to go around.

If you were to count up everything anyone has ever done wrong, God, who would be left standing? But you are a forgiving God. And I am astounded by the forgiveness you offer.

With you, God, there is plenty of mercy and goodness to go around.

I wait for you patiently. My soul waits for you. As I take your word into my heart I can feel the hope. My soul waits for you more anxiously than people who wait for a long, dark night to come to an end.

¹ *Liturgy Outside*, Katherine Hawker, <http://liturgyoutside.net>.

² *God's Word, My Voice, A Lectionary for Children*, Lynn Zill Briggs

With you, God, there is plenty of mercy and goodness to go around.

People of God, people of Israel, wait with me for God, because I know God has mercy. With God, there is plenty of mercy and goodness and God will bring all of you back into relationship with him.

With you, God, there is plenty of mercy and goodness to go around.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

DOXOLOGY  - #95

**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.**

NT READING - 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

GOSPEL - Mark 5:21-43

SERMON

HYMN  - #581

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

CONFESSION & PARDON - UMH12

OFFERING & PEACE - UMH12

HOLY COMMUNION - UMH13 or UMH17

POSTLUDE

CHARGE & BLESSING³

Go in peace, trusting even where you have not seen.

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May God our Guardian protect you, Christ the Healer
restore you, and the Holy Spirit sustain you this day and
forevermore.
Go in peace.

Question for Reflection⁴

In this week's readings, various people bring their suffering to God, through lament and the search for healing. How does Christ enable you—and how might you enable others—to be honest with God in doubt and pain?

Household Prayer: Morning

By your grace I arise from my bed this morning, Lord; by the power of your Spirit I draw my breath. As the dawn brightens into day, enlighten my mind with your truth and open my heart to all those I meet, that I might reflect the light of Jesus Christ, in whose name I give thanks and praise. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

As the night deepens, Lord, I give myself to your care.
For the ways you enabled me to live faithfully today, thank you.
For the ways I failed to follow Christ, forgive me.
And if I do not awaken in the morning,
receive me into your everlasting arms. Amen.

If you would like a prayer, a visit, a meal, to have Holy Communion brought to your home, or have any other need, please contact any church member or Pastor Rob (217 898 8161, rob@methodist.cc).

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