



First Presbyterian Church

Remote Worship Service

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

June 21, 2020

Welcome/Prayer

*Hymn# 749

“Come! Live in the Light!”

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 20: 7-13 and Romans 6: 1-11
(NRSV below)

7 You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived ; you overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me.

8 Whenever I speak, I cry out proclaiming violence and destruction. So the word of the LORD has brought me insult and reproach all day long.

9 But if I say, “I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name,” his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot.

10 I hear many whispering, “Terror on every side! Denounce him! Let’s denounce him!” All my friends are waiting for me to slip, saying, “Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will prevail over him and take our revenge on him.”

11 But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten.

12 LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous and probe the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause.

13 Sing to the LORD! Give praise to the LORD! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked.

6 What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin

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might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Sermon "Death Before Death" The Rev. Steve Frazier

Meditation Music "Prayer of Saint Francis" Allan Pote
Gabrielle Goodrich, Soloist

Concluding Prayer/Charge

Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, Thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith. Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is despair, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sadness, let there be joy. O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much Seek to be consoled as to console, To be understood as to understand, To be loved as to love. Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love For it is in giving that we receive, It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, And it's in dying That we are born to eternal life. Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace, An instrument of thy peace. Amen.

Wishing everyone in our congregation and their families a Happy Father's Day!