HYMN Sois La Semilla (You are the Seed) Blue Hymnal, #478

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May this day be filled with warmth and light,

blossoming like flowers in the morning sun.
May your steps be guided by gentle winds,
and may joy dance in your heart, one by one.
As the sun sets, may peace embrace you,
like a soft blanket woven from stardust above.
And in the quiet moments, may you find solace,

knowing that you are held by God's love.

All people: Amen.

CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Acolyte

POSTLUDE Mr. Kevin Crone

June 16, 2024
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day

PREWORSHIP MUSIC

Mr. Kevin Crone

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Laura C. Baker

CANDLELIGHTING

Acolyte

Hymnal, #53

PRELUDE

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Eternal Mystery, God of Life, you create all things.

Congregation: Your glory shines in every living being.

Pastor: Living Christ, Divine Presence, you plant the seed of your

love in us.

Congregation: Your beauty, your grace are hidden in our hearts.

Pastor: Spirit of Love, you call forth our compassion.

Congregation: We thank you. We worship you. We give ourselves to

you. Alleluia!

HYMN Morning Has Broken

CALL TO CONFESSION

Pastor: New every day is God's love for us, and so new every day is

our opportunity to come to the Creator who loves us with the truth of our lives. Trusting in God, in God's grace and mercy, in God's desire for wholeness and healing, let us make our

confession, first in silent prayer.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: For our slowness to recognize your gifts in other people and

their calling to be children of God: Lord, have mercy.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For our reluctance to accept your free gifts of time, talent, and

treasure and your gracious call to play our part in your

ministry: Christ, have mercy.

Congregation: Christ, have mercy.

Pastor: For any cause of division in your body for which we are

responsible: Lord, have mercy.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: This is the good news, dear friends: the One who knows our

worst fills us with the best – grace, wonder, and forgiveness.

Congregation: Our ears tingle with this good news and our hearts overflow

with hope.

All people: Thanks be to God! We are forgiven and at peace.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE Gloria Patri Blue Hymnal, #35

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor: As the Lord has shared his peace with each of us, let us now

share that peace with each other. Peace be with you.

Congregation: And peace be with you.

(The congregation may be seated, as the children & youth come forward)

JESUS SAID, "LET THE CHILDREN COME"

HYMN For the Fruit of All Creation Blue Hymnal, #714

HEBREW READING 1 Samuel 15:34–16:13

EPISTLE READING 2 Corinthians 5:6-13

GOSPEL READING Mark 4:26-34

SERMON Rev. Laura C. Baker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor: We believe that our God sees us, feels us, and listens to us. Let

us lift the celebrations and concerns of our beloved community.

JOYS AND CONCERNS SHARED

All people: Dear God, we know that you have heard our prayers, and we

ask that the comfort of the Holy Spirit be with us today and every day. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ who taught

us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All people: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy

kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into

temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING INVITATION

Liturgist: When it comes to our resources, we build walls of security

around ourselves with our money, time, energy, and activity. We forget that our true home and our true security is found in God alone. May God transform our heart's desire until our

actions align with God's will for our lives.

(Please stand in body and/or spirit)

DOXOLOGY Praise God Blue Hymnal, #46

(An Offering Collection Box is located on the table in the back of sanctuary, by the exit door)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All people: O Holy One, with gratefulness we offer and dedicate these

gifts for the continuation of our work in Christ's name.

Amen.