

Order of Worship for Sunday, June 27, 2021 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING WORDS Out of the depths, we cry to God. How do we seek hope in the wake of loss, in the midst of grief? How can our souls wait for the Lord like those who wait for the morning?

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come into the presence of the Lord with thanksgiving!

P: Serve the Lord with great gladness!

L: Know that God is truly with you!

P: Rejoice!

L: Come, let us worship the ever-present God!

P: Let us celebrate with song and prayer God's love for us. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of healing and mercy, remind us again of your power to heal our lives from fears and mistrust. Open our hearts to believe in your restorative power and your great compassion for us. Give us healing and make us agents of peace for you in this, your World. AMEN.

*OPENING HYMN [Precious Lord, Take My Hand](#) *United Methodist Hymnal #474*

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE There is Power in a Touch

JOYS AND CONCERNS - (The Lord's Prayer "trespass")

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123

MESSAGE How do we respond to God's call?

*CLOSING HYMN [Something Beautiful, Something Good](#) United Methodist Hymnal #394

COMMISSION & BLESSING

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BIBLE STUDY: Giving What You Have

Read: [Mark 5:21-43](#) and [2 Corinthians 8:7-15](#)

- While it might easily get missed about what the Corinthians had begun last year (v. 10) and Paul's appeal or testing of their genuineness (v.8), he is inviting them to be generous in an offering to other churches in need. How is giving an opportunity to display our generosity?
- How does Paul lift up Jesus as a model of giving and generosity (v. 9)? What might that mean about how we practice generosity?
- What are ways you can give of yourself and not just your money?
- How does Jesus handle the "interruption" that happens in verse Mark5:27? (Does he get mad, refuse to heal the woman, chastise her, greet her enthusiastically?) How do you handle the "interruptions" in your life?
- What do we know about Jairus (v. 22)? What might that say about his standing in the community? How might it have been risky for him to reach out to Jesus? [He would have likely risked his status as a leader in the synagogue to ask for healing from this Messiah who was not in good graces with the Jewish leaders.]
- How is Jairus a model for us as followers of Jesus? [Jairus was willing to fall down at Jesus' feet and ask for help. He sought Jesus as the one who can bring healing and life.]
- How can this group help you to be a better disciple?

CLOSING PRAYER

Loving God, you invite us to a new way of being – a way of self-giving and generosity that seems scary. It is a way of life that radically trusts your provisions. Help us to experience true life in giving instead of through getting. Help us to live in such a way that others experience new life that comes solely by your grace. Amen.