

# W CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

4th Sunday  
after Pentecost  
June 20, 2021

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Dr. Brad Clayton

Prelude

Adam Ravain

\*Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Rev. Linda Pitts

Seek God, know God, trust God, O people.

**Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion.**

Declare God's deeds among the people.

**For the needy are remembered, the poor have hope.**

Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion.

\*Hymn 624

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

Call to Confession

Rev. Linda Pitts

Prayer of Confession

God of Grace,

**Each day our fears, our doubts, our worries wash over us, until we come to believe that You do not care for us. There seems to be so much wrong in the world, we are convinced that there is nothing good we can do. The storms of sin and temptation batter us, and we cower, unable to find the faith to withstand them. (*silent confession*)**

Merciful God,

**Remind us that if we open our hearts, You will heal us. If we listen to Your words, we will hear peace and joy. If we open our lives to You, we can go forth to serve others, even as we have been served by our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Declaration of Forgiveness

Rev. Linda Pitts

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

\*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, Amen.**

## Proclamation of the Word

Prayer With Our Young Disciples

Peri Flanigan & Ryan Obray

*For everyone's safety, children should remain in the pews with their family for the service.*

Sacrament of Baptism

*Jack Antonio Ptachick*

Dr. Brad Clayton

Choral Response:

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
born of the Spirit, we are God's children, faithfully now God's praises we sing.**

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 17 (*select verses*)

Dr. Brad Clayton

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*Armed with Sticks and Stones*

Dr. Brad Clayton

## Response to the Word

Offering

*Lord, Speak for Me, for I Am Yours*

Prayer of Dedication (*responsive*)

Rev. Linda Pitts

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

\*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

Rev. Linda Pitts

**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 at 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.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Linda Pitts

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Sending Out Into the World

\*Hymn 612

*We Praise You, O God*

\*Charge & Benediction

Dr. Brad Clayton

Postlude

Adam Ravain

*Live Simply, Love Generously, Serve Faithfully, Speak Truthfully, Pray Daily,  
and Leave Everything Else to God*

**Thank you for joining us for worship today!**

**Coming up:**

**(for full details please visit [www.faihtpcusa.org/upcoming-events](http://www.faihtpcusa.org/upcoming-events))**

**June Book Study.** Note that the June book study of *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* by Austin Channing Brown is not meeting today due to Fathers' Day. It will resume on Sunday, June 27 for the book's conclusion.

**Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School** begins tomorrow morning. Thank you for all who have volunteered time and/or supplies! If you can stay after worship this morning and help us with some last-minute set-up, please gather at the front of the sanctuary. Keep the VBS kids and leaders in your prayers this week! Here are the Bible verses and theme for each day so you can ask your kids about them after each morning's VBS:

- **Monday:** *Jesus' power helps us do hard things.* Philippians 4:13
- **Tuesday:** *Jesus' power gives us hope.* Psalm 31:24
- **Wednesday:** *Jesus' power helps us be bold.* Isaiah 40:29
- **Thursday:** *Jesus' power gives us new life.* Romans 8:11
- **Friday:** *Jesus' power helps us be good friends.* John 15:12

**Mary Steen's** last Sunday with us is next Sunday, June 27. We invite you to write a note or card for Mary and drop it in the church office this week in the pink box with Mary's name on it. There will be a reception for Mary next Sunday after worship.

**Summer Travels.** As you travel this summer, remember that you can still worship with us via livestream! And you can still give online — just visit [www.faihtpcusa.org/give](http://www.faihtpcusa.org/give). When you worship with us in-person, we do encourage face masks since our children have not yet been vaccinated.

**Stewardship Update**

Budget YTD: \$ 617,660

Received YTD: \$ 572,335

Spent YTD: \$ 551,885

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