



June 28, 2020

The Sacrifice of Isaac

9:30 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Craig

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

RINGING OF THE BOWL, POURING OF THE WATER

PRELUDE

Day by Day (in the style of Frederic Chopin)

Arr. C. Courtney

INVOCATION

Pastor Diane

O GOD, who brought me from the rest of last evening to the dawning of this day, bring me in the new light of this new day to the guiding light of the eternal. Lead me O GOD on the journey of righteousness. Guide me O GOD on the pathways of peace. Renew me O GOD in the wellsprings of grace, today, tonight and forever.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.

CALL TO PRAYER

The “proof” of God’s amazing love is this: Before we knew God, while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith through Christ, we dare with confidence to approach God for forgiveness.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God: You have loved us, even when we have not loved you. You have called and we have not listened. We walk past neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with unexamined prejudices, warfare and greed for our benefit. God, help us face up to ourselves, to look through the dimness of our mirrors that as you move toward us in mercy, we may not fear, bark and snap, but repent turning to you to receive grace, forgiveness and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PSALTER Psalm 11 (Hymn tune: My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs)

The LORD to me a refuge is, when foes my faith deride;
 their schemes I will not dread, if God is at my side.
The sparrow may to mountains flee to dodge the arrow’s sting;
I to the LORD will turn for aid, and to God’s promise cling.

God’s temple is the universe, and heaven’s arch a throne;
 The Good within God’s courts rejoice, the wicked die alone.
The LORD delights in righteousness, and crowns pure deeds with grace;
 to faithful hearts, with love alive, God turns a smiling face.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DOXOLOGY

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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 MOMENT

ANTHEM

He Touched Me

Arr. B. Gaither

soloist: Eloise Fredrickson

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 22:1-14

The Sacrifice of Isaac

22 Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. ² Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you." ³ Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you." ⁶ Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, ⁷ Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together. ⁹ When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. ¹² "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not

withheld from me your son, your only son.”¹³ Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son.¹⁴ So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, “On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided.”

SERMON

The Binding of Isaac

Pastor Craig

HYMN

Here I Am Lord

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I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.
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I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I Send?

Refrain

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Who shall I send?

Refrain

THE CALL FOR THE OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY *Seek Ye First with Canon in D by Pachelbel* Arr. L. McKechnie

Wes Moulton – organ; Jamie Reed - piano

GLORIA PATRI

Greatorex

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.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near;
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall;
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Precious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

THE BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Because He Lives

And because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living just because He lives

POSTLUDE

Recessional on "St. Anne"

G. Young

All taped Worship Services are available for replay on the

[Special Video Worship Page.](#)

The Rose on the Baptismal Font Celebrates this Witness to the Resurrection in Jesus Christ		
	Jeanne Truitt	June 19
	Don Moses	June 25
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Please remember those currently or recently hospitalized:

Sheila Frahm

Flowers given by: Jean Hein

Thank you for staying safe and healthy!

NEXT SUNDAY, July 5th is Communion. Please Prepare the Elements to Receive at Home.

Also Next Sunday, at 10:30 a.m. beside the Fountain, we will have a Butterfly Release.

If you are able, wear a mask, practice Social Distancing, and come join us Outdoors for this special event.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
May-2020		Through Week # 25 (6/21/20)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 62,345	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	0
Monthly Giving Budget	\$ 48,862	* YTD 2020 Attendance Sanctuary	5272
*YTD Giving Support	\$ 314,042	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	202
*YTD Giving Budget	\$ 379,533	** YTD 2020 Viewing On-Line	3938
		* YTD 2020 Attendance / On-Line	9210
		* YTD 2019 Attendance	9149
<p style="text-align: center;">* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxh38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2020 Per Capita is \$46.00 per member</p>			