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**WE PRAY FOR . . .**

*Lula Johnston, Jean Chandler, Carole Wensel, Dee (Leake) Schalk, Doll Jones, Rita Norris, Linda Harms (Nan's daughter), Carl Robison (Iva's son), Tom Stout, Lucille Rommelman, James Morrow, Valerie Reimer, our homebound and shut-ins, our soldiers, our country and its leaders, elders, deacons and our pastor and his family.*

*(See bulletin board for Lula Johnston's address.)*

Thank you very much for your cards and prayers while I'm at my daughter's. I hope to see you soon.

*~ Lula Johnston ~*

**First Presbyterian Church**

Sullivan, Missouri

The harvest  
is  
plentiful ...



...but the  
workers  
are few

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**11:00 a.m.**

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**Our Mission:** Reaching Out with God's Light and Love

**Today's worship Theme (14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)** *God is the source of our nourishment. In the word read and proclaimed, in communion, and in the assembly of the people of God. God's Kingdom comes near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.*

***We welcome you to worship today!***

[ \* Congregation invited to stand, as able ]



Thank you for turning off or silencing your cell-phone!

- LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available at the worship entrance
- **PH** = Presbyterian Hymnal (large) / **SF** = Sing the Faith – (small)

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP / GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

Prelude [The light of Christ enters our worship with the lighting of our candles]

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit**

**Call To Worship:**

L: Thank you, God, for setting us free through the gift of your Son.

**C: We praise you for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.**

L: Thank you, God, for the freedom we enjoy.

**C: We praise you that no matter what, we can be freed and forgiven by Christ.**

L: Thank you, God, for this time of worship.

**C: Come and set our hearts on fire as we praise you for our ultimate freedom won not through war but on a cross where our Savior died, only to rise again.**

**Prayer of Invocation**

L: Let us pray. Freedom-giving God, we gather in your name to worship you. We are here to lift our hearts in praise, to open our minds to hear your Scriptures read and proclaimed, to be placed upon a new path for righteous living. We pray that as we come to worship you that you

\* **Hymn** ..... “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies,” vs 1-3, (PH hymnal) No. 564

\* **Charge and Blessing**

P: Go out now as those who have experienced the rest and refreshment of worship. Go with the blessing of God who commanded times of sabbatical and renewal. Go with the presence of God who created the aliveness of summer. Go out in peace.

\* **Go Forth Hymn** ..... “Lift Every Voice and Sing,” vs 1 & 2, (PH hymnal) No. 563

\* **Salutation:**

L: And all God's people said,

**C: Amen!**

\* Harry Eaton..... “Taps”

*We follow the light of Christ out into the world!*

\* Postlude.....

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*Scripture passages: NRSV, copyright (c) 1989.*

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 / Sharing of Joys and Concerns

[After each petition:] P: ...Lord, in your mercy, **C: Hear our Prayer.**

### Lord's Prayer: [Traditional version; PH p.16]

**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 power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### Offering Invitation

L: Freely you have received, freely give. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

### Offerings / Offertory

#### \* **The Doxology** ..... (PH hymnal) No. 592

*C: 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*

#### \* **Prayer of Dedication**

L: Loving God, we are so grateful for the many blessings you give to us. May these gifts we bring support your ministry in this church and in the world. Use them for your service, that lives and hearts will be touched by them. May they provide a path for others to know your love and become a part of your holy family. Amen.

would free us from whatever it is that is weighing us down — our sin, our sorrow, our shortcomings and our fears. Amen.

#### \* **Hymn**..... “*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand,*” vs 1-3, (PH) No. 262

### Call to Confession

P: God has given us the gift of repentance that leads to a new chance and life in God's Kingdom. Let us come to God with open hearts and minds.

### Prayer of Confession

**C: O Lord, we hear Jesus speak of the joy of living in the reign of God, and we recognize that our own broken lives do not conform to your will. We hear Jesus ask us to share what we have received from him, yet we hesitate. We hear Jesus ask us to serve our neighbor, but we turn inward instead of outward. Forgive us when we fall short.**

*(silence)*

### Assurance of Forgiveness:

P: Hear the good news: God desires to renew and restore us. In Christ, God has promised to give us new life. In Christ, God has given us pardon and peace. Let us live in that assurance as we seek to follow Jesus.

**C: Amen.**

#### \* **Glory Be to the Father [Hymn]** ..... (PH hymnal) No. 577

#### \* **Passing the Peace of Christ**

[The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**]



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**GOD'S WORD TO US**


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**Prayer of Illumination**

L: O God, by your Spirit, open us to your presence, tell us what you want us to hear, and show us what you want us to do. We ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**First Reading**

[Galatians 6:1-10] pg. 1816

(A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter. Paul offers practical advice about concern for one other in "the family of faith.") My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

<sup>3</sup>For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup>For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

<sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

*Holy wisdom, Holy word, C: Thanks be to God.*

Hymn ..... "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," vs 1-3, (PH hymnal) No. 561

**\*The Holy Gospel according to Luke** [Luke 10:1-11, 16-20] pg. 1611

(Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Facing risk to experience great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that God's reign is near.) ...The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.

<sup>2</sup>He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.

<sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.

<sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

<sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.

<sup>16</sup>Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me. <sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you.

<sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

*The Gospel of the Lord, C: Thanks be to God*

**Sermon:** "The Most Exciting Place in Town" ..... Pastor Peter Rupprecht

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**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD AND GRACE**


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\* **Affirmation of Faith -- Apostles Creed** [*Ecumenical version; PH, p.14*]

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**