

A Celebration of Christian Worship

June 24, 2018

Musical preparation for worship

Michael

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: For those whose lives are broken by distress,

P: may the God of healing restore you.

L: For those whose lives are broken by fear,

P: may the God of healing restore you.

L: For those whose lives are broken by illness,

P: may the God of healing restore you.

All: *God of healing, touch your people.*

*Bring warmth and comfort, life and wholeness
into fractured lives and souls.*

Hymn #102 "Jubilate Deo omnis terra"

Children's Time

Jeremy

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in his hand. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Announcements

Offering

Hymn SJ#99 "You walk along the shoreline"

Scripture Mark 2:23-3:6

Sermon "The Sabbath was Made for Healing"

Shannon Dycus

Hymn of response SS#44 "When Jesus the healer"

Passing the Friendship Register

Sharing of sermon responses, joys and introduction of guests

Congregational Prayer

Bob Brown

Closing Hymn SJ#74 "Now go in peace"

Blessing

Postlude

In lieu of applause, we encourage a hearty "AMEN."

Co-pastors: Bob Brown & Shannon Dycus

Faith Formation Coordinator: Ben Tapper

Trustees: Gloria, Randy, Ralph

Care Team: Annette, Heidi, Ted,

Linda, Robin, Kevin, Rachel

Worship Leader: Carmela Song Leader: Mary

Greeters: Diane & Doug

Ushers: Gloria & Mike

Join us for fellowship in the fellowship hall following the worship service.

Coffee and hot tea will be available during this time.

Please note there will be no Sunday school or beverages served for fellowship time during the month of July.

Sunday school classes:

- Combined children's class meets in the multi-purpose room.
- Adult class: "Understanding the Book of Mark" will be held in the sanctuary.

The blueberry fundraiser is being coordinated by the Friend family. Proceeds will be given to Family Promise. Please place your order with any of the Friends after worship.

We are conducting a review of Ben Tapper as Faith Formation Coordinator. We want to give feedback to Ben to help in his growth and to help us understand this new position. Paper copies have been put in church mailboxes. Today is the deadline for submitting your evaluation. Please give to a member of ARC: Marcy, John, or Ted.

Today and Upcoming at FMC

June 24-29 MYF DOOR trip to Denver

June 27 Men's morning meeting at 8:00 a.m.

July 1-8 Hosting families for Family Promise

Mark 2:23-28; Mark 3:1-6 (NRSV)

One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.



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Mark 2 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

When he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, "Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Stand up and take your mat and walk'? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic—"I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home." And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" Jesus said to them, "The wedding guests cannot fast while the bridegroom is with them, can they? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.

"No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins."

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