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FHPC VISION & MISSION STATEMENTS

Our Vision: Living God's love.

calls us to . . .

Our Mission : Reach out to all with faith and love.

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A Covenant Order
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Presbyterians

May 24, 2020

9:00 AM

7th Sunday in Eastertide

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

A New Zealand Prayer Book

Christ, you are risen from the dead. We are risen with you.

May our life never deny this eternal life, this peace and hope and joy.

Praise and glory to the God of life who is stronger than all kinds of death. Alleluia.

PRELUDE

“God of Our Fathers”

arr. Tedd Smith

WORDS OF WELCOME

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands” *Summer Singers*

INVOCATION (responsive)

Leader: So many memories come to us this Memorial Day weekend.

**People: So many young lives given in sacrifice for freedom
are remembered.**

Leader: It is gathered in this place that hope ever springs anew.

**People: This is the gathering space for the people
of the resurrection.**

Leader: Our memories are joyful because we know that
Christ has conquered death.

**People: Our hearts are thankful for the touch of people
who have sacrificed for us.**

Leader: In freedom and hope let us sing praise to the living God.

VIDEO PRESENTATION “Always Remember”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bonnie Hollabaugh, Liturgist

Leader: God invites us to leave our troubles and worries behind for a time.

People: We bring our full selves to this sacred time and space.

Leader: God invites us to bring all that we are, broken and unbroken.

People: We bring our full selves to this sacred time and space.

Leader: God invites us to come in and to listen for God’s voice.

People: We bring our full selves to this sacred time and space.

Leader: We are blessed by God’s grace. Let us worship God!

People: We worship our inviting God in thanks and praise!

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” #808

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS & RENEWAL (unison)

God of grace, we confess that we sometimes do not believe in our hearts what we proclaim with our lips. We hear your word and continue to live unchanged. We know of your liberating grace, yet remain bound by our limitations. We would rather rely on our own abilities, our works and our intellect than rely on faith in you. Help us approach each moment as an intentional expression of our faith, that we may be mindful that your grace surrounds us and binds us to you forever. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS** Gloria Patri #813

ANTHEM

“Lets Get Together”

Summer Singers

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6:45-52 (ESV)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Surviving the Storms of Life"

Rev. Dr. Bob Simmons

RESPONDING IN COMMITMENT

OFFERTORY

"Long Time Ago"

Early American song

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION
AND 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 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.**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION FOR MEMORIAL DAY *(responsive)*

Leader: So many memories come to us this Memorial Day weekend.

It is gathered in this place that hope ever springs anew.

**All: We hold up before You, our Creator, all of our loved ones who
have passed from earth into eternity. Especially, we remember those
who have laid down their lives that others might live. Keep them in
our memories. Keep them in our hearts. And grant us the assurance
that we shall be reunited around the Father's throne. Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN**

"God of Our Fathers"

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***TAPS**

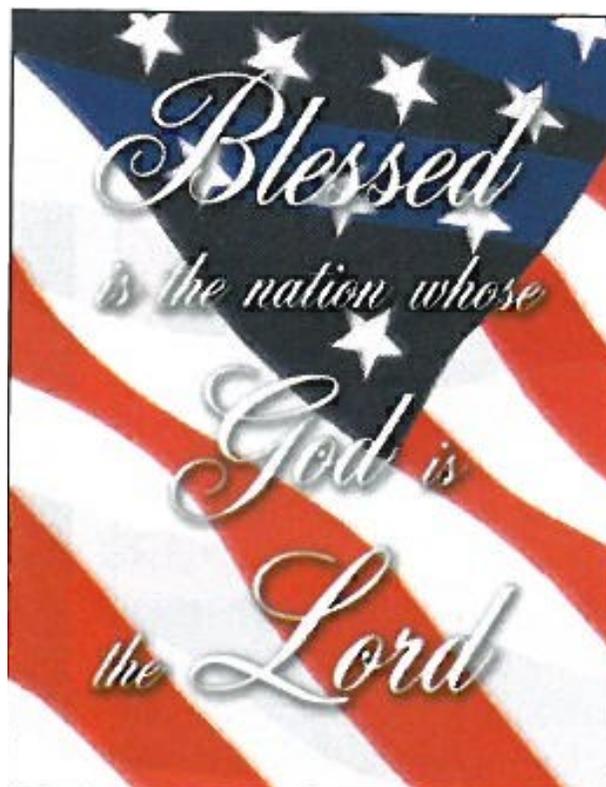
***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

POSTLUDE

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“An Investment Today for the Life of Our Church Tomorrow”

Listen for the Word of God as we read from the Gospel According to Mark, Chapter 6, verses 45-52 (ESV)

Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

L: This is the word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God.

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain
O'er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, our brethren go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand
From every peril on the land.

O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O wind of heaven, by Thy might
Save all who dare the eagle's flight;
And keep them by Thy watchful care
From every peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and power!
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoever they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

God of our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast,
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine!

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.

With God our creator,
children all are we.
Let us walk with each other
in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me;
let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
let this be my solemn vow;
to take each moment and
live each moment in peace eternally.
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