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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 14, 2024

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

*“Wake the Day with Gladness”*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reverend Mark Gaskill

## THE GATHERING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 85: 8-11

One: I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,

**ALL: FOR HE IS SPEAKING PEACE TO HIS FAITHFUL PEOPLE**

One: And to those who turn their hearts to him.

**ALL: TRULY HIS SALVATION IS VERY NEAR TO THOSE WHO FEAR HIM,**

One: That his glory may dwell in our land.

**ALL: MERCY AND TRUTH HAVE MET TOGETHER;**

One: Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**ALL: TRUTH SHALL SPRING UP FROM THE EARTH**

One: Righteousness shall look down from heaven.

\*HYMN

*“Be Thou My Vision”*

No. 339

CALL TO CONFESSION

Psalm 24: 3-5

One: Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? And who can stand in his holy place?

**ALL: THOSE WHO HAVE CLEAN HANDS AND PURE HEART,**

One: Who have not pledged themselves to a falsehood,

**ALL: NOR SWORN BY WHAT IS A FRAUD.**

One: They shall receive a blessing from the Lord.

**ALL: AND A JUST REWARD FROM THE GOD OF THEIR SALVATION.**

*Silent Reflection*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,

**PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 579

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 6: 14-29

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERTORY

*“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”*

See insert

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### **THE WORD**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Amos 7: 7-15

SERMON

*Crooked Walls*

Rev. Mark Gaskill

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

### **SENDING**

\*HYMN

*“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”*

No. 379

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*“Sound the Loud Trumpets”*

L. Smith

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the Grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

**PEOPLE AND ALSO WITH YOU!**

\*Please stand if able.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GAME NIGHT – THIS THURSDAY, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Game night will be this Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 - 8:00. Bring your favorite game, a snack to share, and some friends. Come have some fun!

### **FIRST READING: MARK 6: 14-29**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus’ name had become known. Some were saying, “John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.” <sup>15</sup>But others said, “It is Elijah.” And others said, “It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.”

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." <sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

## **SECOND READING: AMOS 7: 7-15**

<sup>7</sup>This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

<sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" <sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

<sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

***“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”***

Holy Spirit Living Breath of God breathe new life into my willing soul,  
Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause Your word to come alive in me. Give me faith for what I cannot see.  
Give me passion for Your purity, Holy Spirit breath new life in me.

Holy Spirit come abide within, may Your joy be seen in all I do  
Love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude.  
Kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my striving into works of grace, breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit from creation’s birth, giving life to all that God has made.  
Show your power once again on earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise, lead us on the road of sacrifice.  
That in unity, the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

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***The flowers on the Retable this morning are in celebration of  
Ted and Le Cress Roorda’s 34<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.***

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**Today's Volunteers: Greeters: John and Terri Tipsword; Ushers: Loann  
Burian and Ted Roorda; Scripture Reader: Bill Wetmore**

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**TODAY**

Worship Service at 10 AM

**THIS WEEK**

Mon. (July 15): 10:30 AM – Crafters  
Tues. (July 16): No Women’s Bible Study Today  
Thurs. (July 18): 5:00 PM – Game Night