

God's GRACE
is always
enough.

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021 @ 10:00 am

Church of The Cross

475 West Higgins Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

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Welcome all ~ Share God's Love ~ Offer Hope ... all in Jesus' name!

WELCOME ALL

PRELUDE “America the Beautiful” by S.A. Ward, arr. M. Bober Robert K.

WORDS OF WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP¹ Rev. Julie Peterson

Moving less like a fighter jet and more like a flock of geese --
this is the way of the God of Interdependence.

Showing us how to glide forward when it’s needed
and how to ease back when it’s time to rest in the flow.

The Kindred One is like the wind that sustains our flight,
making it possible to journey further together than alone.
Let us embrace the gifts of God, the source of our collective power.

*OPENING HYMN “This is My Song” GTG #340

CALL TO CONFESSION Jim B.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

You are love, O God, and you have loved us from the beginning. Forgive us when we do not share your love with the world: when we choose selfishness over compassion; what feels comfortable rather than what is right; when we strive for success instead of faithfulness, when we value independence over community. Forgive us, O God, of the ways we fall short. Free us to try again, and let your love lead the way.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONDING TO GRACE “Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord” GTG #390

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God’s holy name. Alleluia! (repeat)
Praise God’s holy name. Alleluia! Praise God’s holy name. Alleluia! (repeat)

SHARE GOD’S LOVE

A TIME FOR CHILDREN “Jesus Loves Me!” GTG #188

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Jim B.

This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6:1-13 Rev. Julie Peterson

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OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS' NAME

*PASSING THE PEACE

“Dona Nobis Pacem”

*(Grant us Peace)**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH³*adapted from Colossians 1:15-20*

Jim B.

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Vocalise” by *Sergei Rachmaninoff*

Robert K.

Guest Soloist: Maria K.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” (*verses 2, 4-5*)

GTG #523

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING¹

May the God of steadfast love be with you.

And also with you.

People of God, offer your hearts to God.

We open our hearts to the One who fills them with grace.

Children of God, sing your praises to the One who has gathered us here.

Our songs of joy travel to the very ends of creation.

It was you, Imaginative God, who whispered and the rumble of creation shook the rafters of chaos. ... So, we join our voices with all who have wondered at your steadfast love, singing your name to the edges of the universe:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of enduring love.

All the gifts of creation delight in you.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One whose weakness is our hope.

Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you, God of all goodness and truth, and blessed is Jesus, your Child, our Savior. ... As we remember his calling us to follow, as we seek to be sent forth to serve, we proclaim that mystery we call faith:

**Christ came, to shape our lives like his;
Christ came, to be our Guide forever;
Christ will come again, to gather us in glory.**

So now, in this place where we have heard your promises, among these people in whom we have seen the Christ, pour your Spirit upon the gifts of your Table. ... Amen.

COMMUNING TOGETHER

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION³

Nourishing God, thank you for inviting us to your table where all are welcome, and for feeding us with the bread of life and quenching our thirst with the cup of blessing. As you have filled our lives with love and hope, may we be a source of your love and hope for others who hunger and thirst for good news. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN	“O God, Show Mercy to Us”	<i>GTG #341</i>
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	“Simple Gifts” <i>an American Folk Tune arr. E. Linneweber</i>	Robert K.

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Prayer
REQUESTS

Avonne (Laura's mother)
Linda A (sister of Judy M)
Steve A (father-in-law of Glenna's daughter)
Connie & Ed (friends of Karen)
Dee B (former member)
Kevin B (Joe L's co-worker/friend)
Mildred B
Mary Ann B
Sushma B
Andree C
Connie (Karen F's friend)
Chuck C (Laura D's brother)
Patrick C (Stu/Marie's son-in-law)
Renee C (Laura's sister-in-law)
Jim C (Mary Ann's son-in-law)
Tom C (Ann M's brother-in-law)
Sabina C (Adelaide's sister-in-law)
Betty D (Marie R's cousin)
Linda D (Jim/ Sue's relative)
Betty F (Chris L's mother)
Donna F (Jim/Sue's aunt)
Karen F
Gabi (Mother of Sue/Joe's son-in-law)
Adelaide G
Bruce & Linda G (friends of Stu/Marie)
Nick G (Stu/Marie's grandson)
Rita H (Jim/Ann's relative)

James & Sandra (friends of John/Cheryl)
Jessica (Charlie/Nancy's niece)
José K (Adelaide's friend)
Steve (Jane's brother)
Bob L (husband of Judie T's friend)
Jim/Sheryl L (Ken/Pat's son-in-law/daughter)
Pam L
Phyllis L
McKenzie (daughter of Michelle V's friend)
Crisann M (friend of Mike/Chris L)
Judy M
Klee M (Fritz/Fay's son)
Kofi M (Adelaide's family friend)
Lisa M (Karen's daughter)
Steve M
Susan Q (Ann S's boss)
Maria R (Laura D's friend)
Jessie R (Julie/Jeff's niece)
Ann & Geoff S
Geri S (Adelaide's neighbor)
Martin S (Sue/Jim's friend)
Marnie S (Glenna M's friend)
Larry V (Jim V's father)
Those who are caregivers
Those devastated by terrorism
Our world and all affected by COVID-19
Those who grieve



SUMMER FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Hot Dogs
Bratwurst
Cheese
Onions
Tomatoes
Corn
Beans
Lettuce
Cucumbers
Peppers
Melons
Grapes
Berries
Peaches
Plums
Jell-O
Pudding
Ketchup
Mustard
Mayo
BBQ Sauce
Relish
Pickles
Salad Dressing
Mushrooms
Olives
Seasoning
Lemonade
Tea
Napkins
Paper Towels

LUNCH WITH PASTOR JULIE

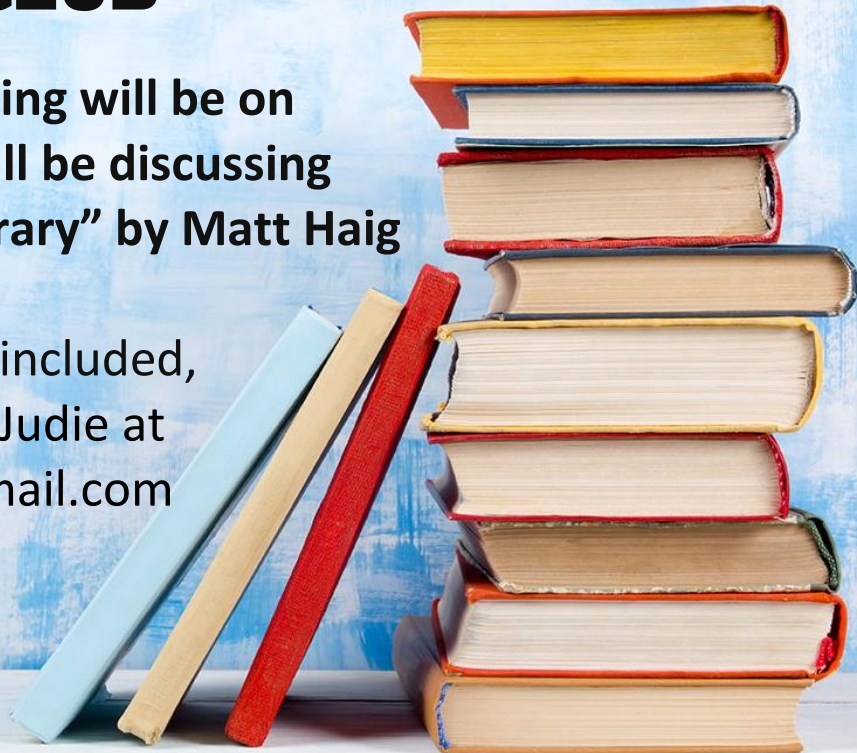
Join us via Zoom every Wednesday at 12 noon for bible study. We discuss scripture passages for our upcoming worship service. Contact Pastor Julie for the Zoom access information to join.

July 7	Mark 6:14-29; Ephesians 1:3-14
July 14	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56; Ephesians 2:11-22
July 21	John 6:1-21; Ephesians 3:14-21

BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting will be on July 14th. We will be discussing “The Midnight Library” by Matt Haig

If you want to be included, please email Judie at judietrue@gmail.com





**The COTC Men's Group invites you to join them
for a Chicken Dinner & Concert on
Thursday, July 29th @ 6 pm.
The Abba Tribute Group starts performing @ 7 pm.**

Where: Village Green
5450 Prairie Stone Parkway
Hoffman Estates

The men will set up tables for food and provide baked & fried chicken.
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.
Also bring your own lawn chairs & beverages.
RSVP your attendance and side or dessert you will bring to
Jim Letterer @ Jletterer@comcast.net
or put a note in Jim's church mailbox.