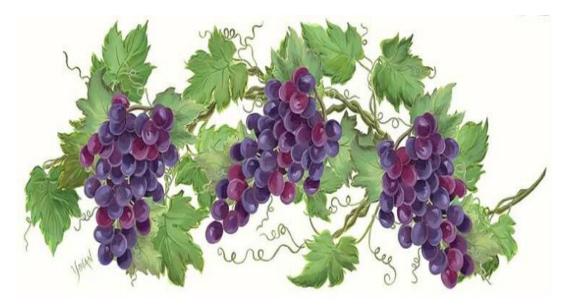
## August 30, 2020 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



# Jesus Has Grafted You In

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### *Our Mission: Boldly and Joyfully Sharing The Good News of Jesus' Love and Forgiveness.*



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Hymn: Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult.....CW # 463 Stz 1-4

### Confession and Absolution

L: (*rise*) The Grace of our Lord **†** Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

### C: And also, with you.

- L: We pray. Blessed Jesus, at your Word we are gathered all to hear you. Let our hearts and souls be stirred, now to seek, love, and fear you.
- C: By your teachings, sweet and holy, drawn from earth to love you solely.
- L: Oh, how I love your law!

### C: I meditate on it all day long.

L: Your commands make me wiser than all my enemies,

### C: For your words are always with me.

- L: How sweet are your words to my taste.
- C: Sweeter than honey to my mouth!
- L: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,
- C: So that we may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.
- L: Yet, so often we have despised your Word, O Lord, and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow and humbly ask you to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.
- L: God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the **†** Holy Spirit.

### C: AMEN!

### Prayer of the Day

- L: Lord Jesus, where two or three gather in your name, you promised to be with them and share their fellowship. Look on us, your children, and graciously bless us with unity and harmony; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: AMEN! (seated)

### First Lesson:

L: <sup>1</sup> Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two spies from Shittim. "Go, look over the land," he said, "especially Jericho." So they went and entered the house of a prostitute named Rahab and stayed there. <sup>2</sup> The king of Jericho was told, "Look! Some of the Israelites have come here tonight to spy out the land."

<sup>3</sup> So the king of Jericho sent this message to Rahab: "Bring out the men who came to you and entered your house, because they have come to spy out the whole land." <sup>4</sup> But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them. <sup>5</sup> She said,

- C: "Yes, the men came to me, but I did not know where they had come from...I don't know which way they went. Go after them quickly. You may catch up with them."
- L: <sup>6</sup> (But she had taken them up to the roof and hidden them under the stalks of flax she had laid out on the roof. <sup>7</sup> So the men set out in pursuit of the spies on the road that leads to the fords of the Jordan, and as soon as the pursuers had gone out, the gate was shut.

<sup>8</sup> Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof <sup>9</sup> and said to them, "I know that the LORD has given this land to you and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you. <sup>10</sup> We have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amorites east of the Jordan, whom you completely destroyed. <sup>11</sup> When we heard of it, our hearts melted and everyone's courage failed because of you, for the LORD your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below. <sup>12</sup> Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that you will show kindness to my family, because I have shown kindness to you. Give me a sure sign <sup>13</sup> that you will spare the lives of my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and that you will save us from death."

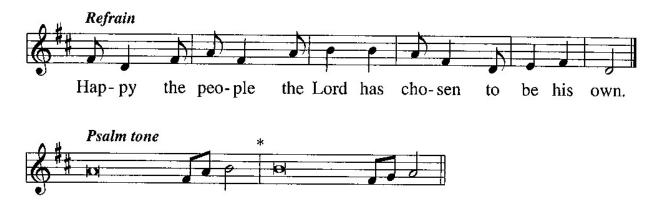
<sup>14</sup>"Our lives for your lives!" the men assured her. "If you don't tell what we are doing, we will treat you kindly and faithfully when the LORD gives us the land." <sup>15</sup> So she let them down by a rope through the window, for the house she lived in was part of the city wall. <sup>16</sup> Now she had said to them,

### C: "Go to the hills so the pursuers will not find you. Hide yourselves there three days until they return, and then go on your way."

L: <sup>17</sup> The men said to her, "This oath you made us swear will not be binding on us <sup>18</sup> unless, when we enter the land, you have tied this scarlet cord in the window through which you let us down, and unless you have brought your father and mother, your brothers and all your family into your house. <sup>19</sup> If anyone goes outside your house into the street, his blood will be on his own head; we will not be responsible. As for anyone who is in the house with you, his blood will be on our head if a hand is laid on him. <sup>20</sup> But if you tell what we are doing, we will be released from the oath you made us swear." <sup>21</sup> "Agreed," she replied. "Let it be as you say." So she sent them away and they departed. And she tied the scarlet cord in the window. (The Word of our God)

### Psalm 133-134

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How good and pleasant it is\* when brothers live together in unity!

For there the LORD bestows his blessing,\* even life forevermore.

#### Refrain

Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD\* who minister in the house of the LORD.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary\* and praise the LORD.

May the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth,\* bless you from Zion.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

### Second Lesson

### Romans 11:13-24

<sup>13</sup> I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry <sup>14</sup> in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. <sup>15</sup> For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? <sup>16</sup> If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches.

<sup>17</sup> If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root, <sup>18</sup> do not boast over those branches. If you do, consider this: You do not support the root, but the root supports you.

<sup>19</sup> Some of you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I could be grafted in." <sup>20</sup> Granted. But they were broken off because of unbelief, and you stand by faith. Do not be arrogant, but be afraid. <sup>21</sup> For if God did not spare the natural branches, he will not spare you either.

<sup>22</sup> Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off. <sup>23</sup> And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.

<sup>24</sup> After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree! (Word of the Lord)



Hymn: This Is the Threefold Truth...... CW # 406 Stz 1 & 5

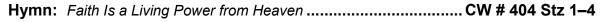
### Gospel:

L: <sup>21</sup> Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is suffering terribly from demon-possession. <sup>"23</sup> Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, "Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us. <sup>"24</sup> He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel." <sup>25</sup> The woman came and knelt before him saying,

### C: "Lord, help me!"

- L: <sup>26</sup> He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to their dogs."
- C: <sup>27</sup> "Yes, Lord, but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."
- L: <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered, "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed from that very hour. This is the Gospel of our Lord.

### C: Praise be to you, O Christ!





Sermon:



Apostles' Creed: (Rise) (together we confess)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

**Prayer:** Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of Grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come, give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer: (traditional)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen!

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

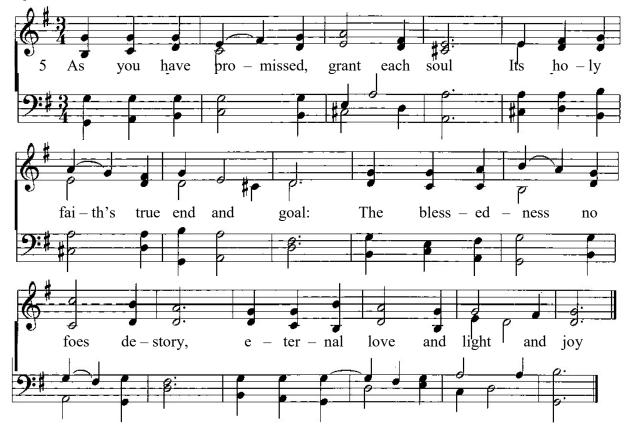
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and **†** give you peace.

### C: Amen

Hymn: Faith Is a Living Power from Heaven

CW # 404 Stz Stz 5



### August and September Birthdays and Anniversaries

#### August

- 30 Garrett Schweitzer
- 31 Ellen Cammarata
- 31 Bob & Nancy Pieper 57<sup>th</sup>

Today Bob and Nancy Pieper have placed flowers in church to give thanks to the Lord as they celebrate their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

#### September

- 8 Paul Taylor
- 9 Cynthia Freeman
- 12 Natasha Sullivan
- 16 Luke Redon
- 18 Charles Ryan
- 19 Philip Paul
- 20 Dan Meister
- 26 Larry & JoHannah Galbreath 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 26 Karen Ashley (Trimmer)