

**“Whoever you are...wherever you are on life’s journey,  
*you are welcome here.*”  
God is Still Speaking**

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF THE

***Ascension***



**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**

***An Open and Affirming Congregation***

**June 13, 2021**

**10:00 AM**

**S**o we are always confident;  
for we walk by faith, not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:6a, 7

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## Order of Worship

### PRELUDE

“Shout for Joy” (McLuckey)

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR/RECEIVING THE LIGHT

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The realm of God is like a mustard seed,  
which is the smallest of seeds on earth;

**People: it grows up and becomes the greatest of  
shrubs, and the birds of the air make nests in  
its shade.**

Leader: Give thanks to God, whose promised reign is  
coming.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### GATHERING HYMN

“We Praise You, O God” *Glory to God 612*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, the parable of the mustard seed teaches us that a little faith can produce great work in your kingdom. Yet we are too timid to bear the fruit of your righteousness, for we walk by sight and not by faith. Forgive us, Lord, we do not uphold the poor or the oppressed. We do not advocate for the powerless or the voiceless. We do not sacrifice ourselves for the needs of our neighbors. Renew us with the love of Christ so that we live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who became the seed of your righteousness in us.**

*silent prayer of confession*

**KYRIE**

Leader: Lord have mercy.  
**People: Christ have mercy.**  
Leader: Lord have mercy.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**HYMN**

“In a Bulb There is a Flower” *Glory to God 250*

**THE SCRIPTURE READINGS**

First Reading 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13  
Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-10,14-17

Gospel Lesson Mark 4:26-34

Leader: Holy Wisdom

**People: Holy Word**

**THE SERMON**

**MEDITATION**

“Special Music”

**EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED  
HERITAGE SUNDAY VIDEO**

## THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

## **THE OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & OURSELVES**

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those who have mailed in their offerings to the church. The ministry of Ascension Church continues, we need your support. Although we cannot gather in the building right now, we still have our expenses to pay and our outreach continues.

So, please continue to **mail** in your offerings, or you may also opt to contribute **online** through our new **PayPal** account that you can access on our website at [ascensionucc.org](http://ascensionucc.org) and go to the Donate page.

## **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Bless, O God, the gifts that we bring this day, that they may be a sign of our commitment to your kingdom and a pledge of our love for you and your world. Multiply the work done by our time, treasures, and talents, that your presence and compassion may be known in all the earth. Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing” *Glory to God 547*

## **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

### **POSTLUDE**

“The Lord Gives His Victory” (Penna)

**June Birthdays**

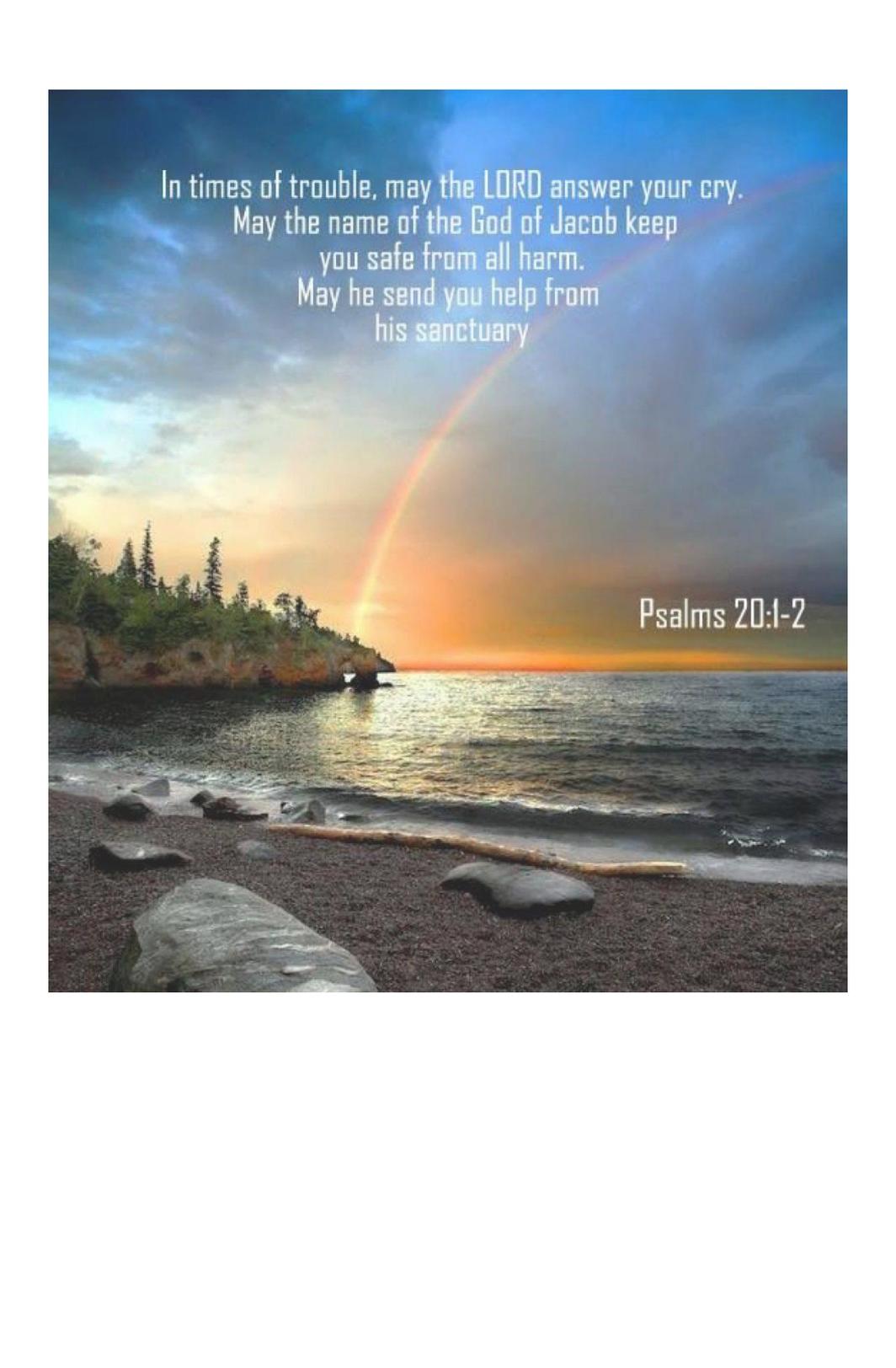
**6/6-6/19/2021**

*Sondra Kline, Kenneth Kline, Jr., Stela Suto (6);  
Sandy Maben (8); Sally Shaw (10);  
Dwayne Mosier, Nora McGinley, Kenneth Kline (12)  
David Fryer, Jr., Jaimie Gear, Tessa Harvey (13);  
Ginny Hale, Joslyn Perez (14);  
Bryen Lorenz, Allie Melville (15); Samantha Paine (18)*

**June Anniversaries**

**6/6-6/19/2021**

*Dr. Louis & Rev. Judith Meier (6)*

A scenic landscape featuring a rainbow over a lake at sunset. The rainbow arches from the horizon over the water towards the left. The sky is a mix of dark blues and oranges. In the foreground, there is a rocky shoreline with several large, smooth rocks and a piece of driftwood. The water reflects the colors of the sunset.

In times of trouble, may the LORD answer your cry.  
May the name of the God of Jacob keep  
you safe from all harm.  
May he send you help from  
his sanctuary

Psalms 20:1-2



*We welcome you to our Community of Faith. We pray that God will speak to you during this worship experience. If you have need of pastoral assistance, we encourage you to contact Pastor Dwayne at the church office number listed below or make an appointment with him today.*

*We welcome children in worship at all times. If you would prefer, childcare is available. Please see one of our ushers. Children's bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers.*

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| <b>Ministers</b>                        | All the people of the Congregation  |
| <b>Pastor</b>                           | The Rev. Dwayne A. Mosier   |
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| <b>Secretary of the Consistory</b>      | Molly Lorenz  |
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