Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church The 14th Sunday after Pentecost September 6, 2020

IF the two of you agree on earth about anything you ask,



it will be done for you by my father in heaven.

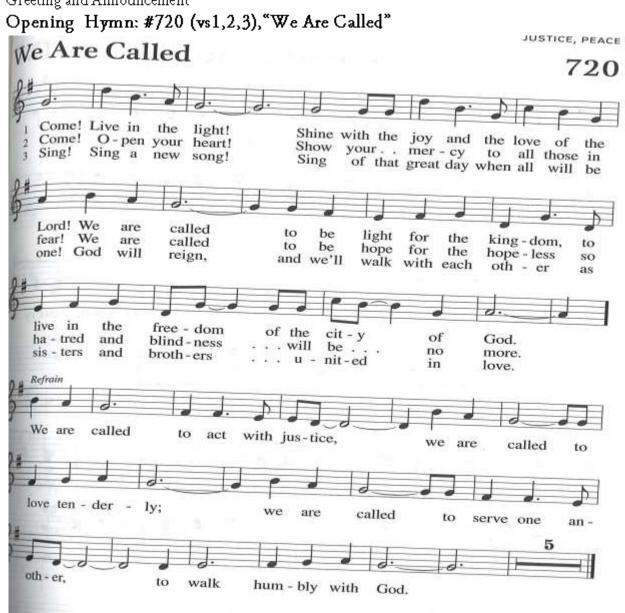
Matthew 18:19

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Piano Prelude "Two Etudes" Greeting and Announcement Stephen Heller



The Apostolic Greeting

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

God appointed Ezekiel as a sentinel for the house of Israel. Ezekiel must faithfully convey God's warnings to the people. Remarkably, God—who is about to attack Jerusalem—gives a warning with the hope that repentance will make the attack unnecessary.

⁷So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. ¹⁰Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" ¹¹Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Special Music:
"Fill the Well within"
Duet By Marlys Jungroth and Vicki Hanson

Sally DeFord

In each passing mortal hour, All around me there is need,
 There are hearts that yearn and tears that fall, and hungry souls to feed.
 I must seek the Spirit's wisdom, Learn compassion's gentle art,
 For I cannot give with empty hands, nor love with barren heart.

CHORUS

If I would bear my brother's burden, If I would share my sister's grief, Extend the hand of sweet compassion, Offer the weary ones relief, If I would ease the thirst of strangers, and serve His children heart and hand,

I must drink of heaven's wells o'er-flowing, I must learn to fill the well within.

2. I will serve my Savior gladly, Seek his little lambs who stray, But if I would lead them safely home, I must know the way. I must seek for understanding, That I may teach His children well, If I seek to fill the soul a-thirst, I must first be filled.

CHORUS.

Children's Message

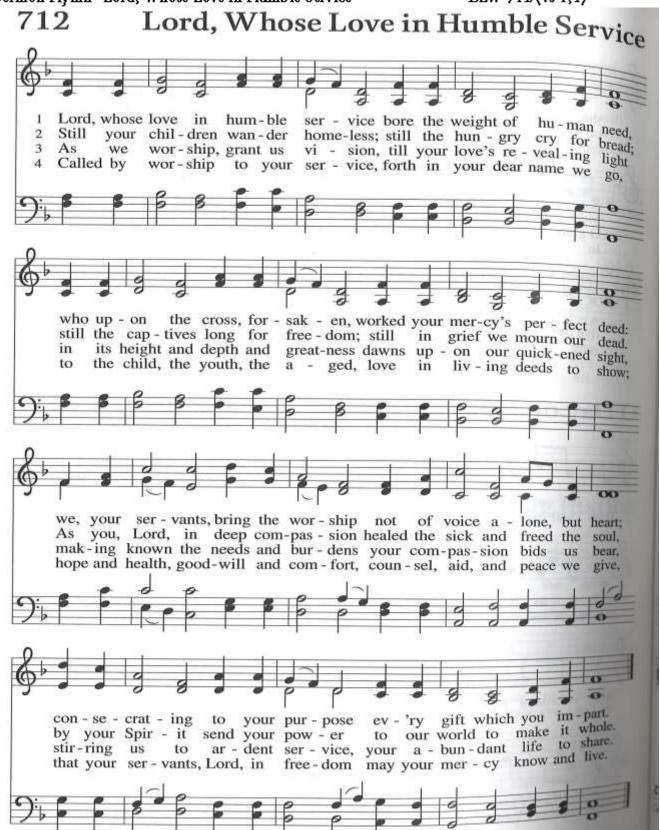
Anthem:

The Sermon "God's Justice in the Form of God's Mercy"

Pastor Dan Severson

Sermon Hymn "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

ELW 712 (vs 1,4)

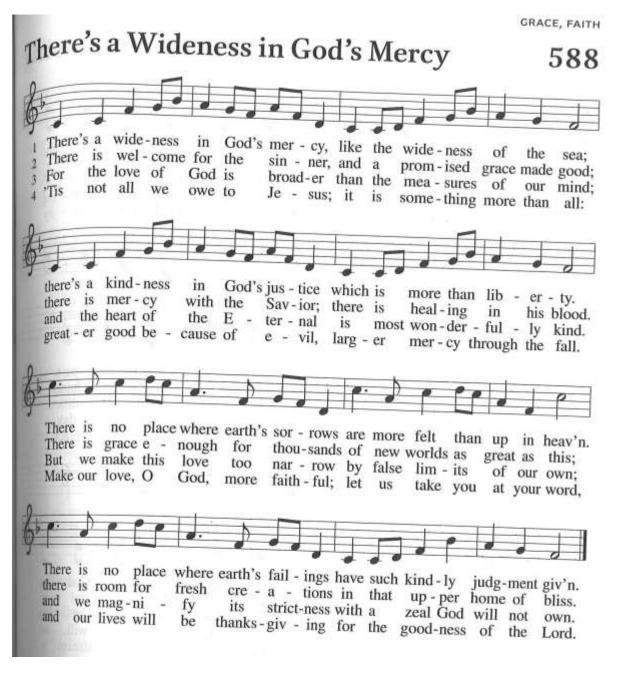


WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORK

Prayers of the Church Lord's Prayer Benediction

Hymn "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW 588(vs 1, 3, 4)



Dismissal:

Organ Postlude: "Two Old English Hornpipes"

arr. Gordon Young

Please join us Sunday at 11am for our virtual Café Hope over ZOOM. Check your email for the message from Hope with the link to the online meeting.

Serving in Today's Worship

Pastor: Dan Severson Reader: Marilyn Johnson Piano: Jan Gunderson and Vaughn Jones Vocals: Marlys Jungroth and Vicki Hanson Organist: Vaughn Jones

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