

GOD'S WILL FOR GOD'S KINFOLK

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Peace United Church of Christ Elkader. Iowa 52043

PRELUDE:

CANDLELIGHTING, BELL RINGING, ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introduction to Worship

***CONFESSION AND SHARING THE PEACE:**

L: Lord Jesus, we remember with gratitude those people who have planted seeds of faith in our lives. **(pause)**

L: We confess that there are times when we fail to plant seeds of faith in other lives, when personal agendas become more important than yours. At times we forget all you have done for us. your promises.

P: May you bless and renew our lives, we pray, so that we may be connected to you at all times. We ask for your forgiveness and strength. your mercy and forgiveness, your grace and your compassion. We ask so that we can share that with others. And now as we begin our worship. we share your peace with each other. AMEN. (Please pass the peace and then be seated)

Worship Begins

OPENING SONG: "God Is Truly with Us" #68

WORSHIP CALL: "Who Is My Family" (from Mark 3:31-35)

L: Who is my mother, my brother, my sister? Let us look around. We will see them. They are not always the people we grew up with but are people who have joined the journey of learning about God and the ways of God's people.

P: Who is my mother, my brother, my sister? They are the people who give up everything for the Gospel. And they are people who stay in one place, blooming where they have been planted.

L: Who is my mother, my brother, my sister? They are the people who pray through the night for the safety of someone else's child or for the healing of someone else's loved one.

P: Who is my mother, my brother, my sister? They are the ones who offer a cold cup of water, a plate of food, clothing, bedding, shelter to those in need, to those who are considered outcasts. They do so in the name of Christ and not for personal gain or glory.

L: Who is my mother, my brother, my sister?

P: Jesus said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother, my sister, my mother!"

L: We gather to worship the God who has made us all kinfolk!

God's Word and Will for God's Kinfolk

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON PROLOGUE: Pastor Paula

FIRST LESSON: I.Samuel 8:4-21 The Message Sue Gnagy

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON EPILOGUE: Pastor Paula

GOSPEL INTRODUCTION: Pastor Paula

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35 Pastor Paula

MESSAGE: "When God Is Not Good Enough"

MESSAGE RESPONSE:

Il>Corinthians 4:13-5:1 from The Message Pastor Paula

MESSAGE SONG:

Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers" #397

PRAYER PREPARATION LITANY: "Do Not Be Afraid"

L: Those who are weary, sleepless, tired, depressed, discouraged,

P: come and pray, do not be afraid!

L: Those who are fed up, losing hope, visionless, fearful, tearful,

P: come and pray, do not be afraid!

L: God is present always! God will calm the winds and waves of our souls! God will make all things new!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: "All Things New"

L: God of new things, God of spring and fragrant flowers and sudden storms, God of hope and new life,

P: hear us and bless us, O Lord!

L: Creator God from whom all life springs forth, we give you thanks and praise!

P: Loving God, we offer prayers of concern this day.

L: (Prayer List and other prayers) Hear our prayers, O Lord!

P: Hear our prayers. May you be gentle with us, your family.

L: And now let us join together in praying the prayer that our brother, Jesus, Savior, King, Redeemer has taught us to pray: **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.

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

OFFERING INVITATION: (unison)

O God, you have given us, your family so many good gifts, life and new life in Christ. So we offer our gifts to others so that they may have life and new life just as Jesus, our brother, our risen Lord, has taught and lived. Amen.

OFFERING:

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY:**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above you heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

***BENEDICTION:** (unison)

May you anoint us, Holy Lord as we go forth this week. May you fill us with your loving touch so we can fill others.

Now we go forth, celebrating and rejoicing for we can be one family with you, O Christ, in your resurrection. AMEN

***SENDING FORTH SONG:**

“In Christ, There is No East or West” #395

***POSTLUDE:**

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Worship Leaders

Today-9th

Next Sunday June 16th

Worship: Pastor Paula

Pastor Paula

Reader: Sue Gnagy

Kristina Miller

Fellowship: Cookie Cupboard

Sue Stott

Organist: Laura Moser

Laura Moser

Ushers: Steve, Ann

Kristina Miller

McCorkindale

**Opening/
Closing** John & Sue Gnagy

Sue Stott

PRAYER LIST: Greg Anderson, Gus Augustson, Dave & Diane B-H, Eli Belser, Roger and Betty Buchholz, Jonah Burns and Burns family, Dave Dennler, Deb Dennler, Steve Doepcke, Wayne F., Karen Glesne, Linda Glesne, Penny Jacobson, Karla, Ruth Grau, Gerry Kramer, Gary Kuehl, Marlene Marmann, Marilyn Nielsen, Ruth and Jenny Olson, Lucena Phelps, Sharon Reichert, Payton Renschler, Harry Robbins, Joan Strauss, Tina,

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

PASTOR PAULA

(subject to change if emergencies or meetings arise)

9 a.m.-noon—Mon. Wed. Thur; 9-10:45 a.m. Tues.

DEBBIE

3:30-4:30 p.m.---Mon; 1:30-3:30 p.m .Wed. & Thur.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Monday: 9-12—Office open
Tuesday: 9-10:45 a.m. Office Hours
11 a.m. Clergy lectionary group mtg.
Wednesday: 9-noon—Office hours
Thursday: 9 a.m. Sunday BULLETIN Deadline—give info
to Pastor Paula
9-noon—office hours
Friday: Pastor's Day Off
Saturday: Worship Preparation

NEEDED FOR SUMMER WORSHIP: *Anyone interested in providing special music for Sunday worship July through August, please contact Pastor Paula!*

REMEMBER: those in charge of opening/closing, please plug in coffee pots! Thank you!