**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**READINGS**

###  Romans 8:26-39

###  Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

**SERMON** “Pry Open the Parable Of The Pearl”

 Written and preached by Daniel Habben on Aug 23, 2011

**SERMON HYMN** ELW #779 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

**PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

P Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

**EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

*Offer to those present and those with you in spirit*

*a gesture of peace, saying, “The peace of Christ be with you.”*

**OFFERING**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**BLESSING**

**SENDING HYMN** ELW #557 *Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun* vs. 3-5

**DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** *Märchenbilder, Op. 113/IV*. - R. Schumann

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Dr. Steven H. Shussett, Pastor

Ben D’Annibale, Music Director, Pianist, and Video Editor

Melissa Crotty and Heather Hafer, Singers

*Prayers for those with immediate concerns*

Diane Dinkelocker, Shirley Schaeffer, Patrick Pomian,

Gail Silverstein, Larry Galloway, Samantha Kerber, and

the family of Emmy Faber upon her death.

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**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN PENTECOST JULY 26, 2020**

**SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE** *Luke 11:9*

 Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will

 be opened for you.

**PRELUDE** *Sonata in A Major, K. 208* - D.Scarlatti

**OPENING**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting,

whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**Amen.**

Reconciling God, **we deny your presence in our lives.**

**We confess that we do not trust your abundance,**

**and we fail to believe that you provide enough for all.**

**We place our hope in ourselves** **and rely on our own efforts.**

**We fear difference and do not welcome others** **as you have welcomed us.**

**We sin in thought, word, and deed.**

**By your grace, forgive us;** **through your love, renew us;**

**and in your Spirit, lead us;**

**so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**KYRIE**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

**GATHERING HYMN** ELW #557 *Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun* vs. 1-2

**GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**