

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Link to the Children's Circle: https://youtu.be/_rga5FR_Oxs

Worship Service Link: https://youtu.be/RBo_qnyxLgI

Thank you for the generous donations of personal care items. Deliveries were made to Safe Berks and Hope Rescue Mission this week. There were many "thank yous" and smiles.

Home Communion - Call the church office at 610-779-3480 to sign up for a Home Communion visit! And if you want to join us for Communion in person or via Zoom, our next Communion Sunday will be October 4th, at 10:30 AM and 7:00 PM.

Synod Assembly ON-LINE – We are in need of two lay delegates to attend the assembly on-line on October 16, 18, 23 and 24. If you are interested, please call the church office.

EXETER CARES website: www.exetercares.net to get help, or to give help (including donations).

REMEMBER—For everyone's health and safety, only employees of SLC should enter the church office unless an emergency situation exists. To deliver or pick up something from the church office, please contact Pastor Steve or Diane in advance so items can be put in the breezeway. Thank you for your understanding.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday's story and mystery reader are....

Story - **Creation**
Guest Reader - **Dave Scalese**

Video link -<https://youtu.be/38vqnOiotUQ>

[Worksheet](#) - this is a 4 in 1 document. It has a coloring page, multiple choice, crossword puzzle and word search!



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18TH SUNDAY IN PENTECOST

OCTOBER 4, 2020

Recorded service

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 2:4-5

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house...

PRELUDE *Prelude from Partita in B-flat, BWV 825* J. S. Bach

Please stand.

OPENING

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

P Faithful God,

C **have mercy on us.**

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SILENCE

KYRIE

P Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

GATHERING HYMN (R) ELW #654 *The Church's One Foundation* v. 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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

READING Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
²He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.
³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?
⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.
⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

GOSPEL, Matthew 21:33-46

³³Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."
⁴²Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:
'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?"
⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."
⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

SERMON

SERMON HYMN (R) ELW #796 How Firm A Foundation

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 *A basket for your offering is available on entering or exiting.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN (R) ELW #654 *The Church's One Foundation* v. 3-4

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Prelude in B-flat, BWV 866* J. S. Bach

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

Susan Johns, Diane Dinkelocker, Patrick Pomian, Ron Owens, George Hughes,
James Kohler, Sr., Arlene Friz, Vince Essig, Jon Dillon, and the family and
friends of Devon Messner in their grief.

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