

Faith United Methodist Church

July 26, 2020



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Hymn

It Is Well

#377

*When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrow like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, you hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

*It is well with my soul
It is well, It is well with my soul.*

Scripture Reading

Genesis 17:15-27

¹⁵⁻¹⁶ God continued speaking to Abraham, “And Sarai your wife: Don’t call her Sarai any longer; call her Sarah. I’ll bless her—yes! I’ll give you a son by her! Oh, how I’ll bless her! Nations will come from her; kings of nations will come from her.”

¹⁷ Abraham fell flat on his face. And then he laughed, thinking, “Can a hundred-year-old man father a son? And can Sarah, at ninety years, have a baby?”

¹⁸ Recovering, Abraham said to God, “Oh, keep Ishmael alive and well before you!”

¹⁹ But God said, “That’s not what I mean. Your wife, Sarah, will have a baby, a son. Name him Isaac (Laughter). I’ll establish my covenant with him and his descendants, a covenant that lasts forever.

²⁰⁻²¹ “And Ishmael? Yes, I heard your prayer for him. I’ll also bless him; I’ll make sure he has plenty of children—a huge family. He’ll father twelve princes; I’ll make him a great nation. But I’ll establish my covenant with Isaac whom Sarah will give you about this time next year.”

²² God finished speaking with Abraham and left.

²³ Then Abraham took his son Ishmael and all his servants, whether houseborn or purchased—every male in his household—and circumcised them, cutting off their foreskins that very day, just as God had told him.

²⁴⁻²⁷ Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised. His son Ishmael was thirteen years old when he was circumcised. Abraham and Ishmael were circumcised the same day together with all the servants of his household, those born there and those purchased from outsiders—all were circumcised with him.

Hymn

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in His wonderful face,
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of his glory and grace.*

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Scripture Reading

Genesis 18:1-16

18 ¹⁻² God appeared to Abraham at the Oaks of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance of his tent. It was the hottest part of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing. He ran from his tent to greet them and bowed before them.

³⁻⁵ He said, “Master, if it please you, stop for a while with your servant. I’ll get some water so you can wash your feet. Rest under this tree. I’ll get some food to refresh you on your way, since your travels have brought you across my path.”
They said, “Certainly. Go ahead.”

⁶ Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. He said, “Hurry. Get three cups of our best flour; knead it and make bread.”

⁷⁻⁸ Then Abraham ran to the cattle pen and picked out a nice plump calf and gave it to the servant who lost no time getting it ready. Then he got curds and milk, brought them with the calf that had been roasted, set the meal before the men, and stood there under the tree while they ate.

⁹ The men said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?”
He said, “In the tent.”

¹⁰ One of them said, "I'm coming back about this time next year. When I arrive, your wife Sarah will have a son." Sarah was listening at the tent opening, just behind the man.

¹¹⁻¹² Abraham and Sarah were old by this time, very old. Sarah was far past the age for having babies. Sarah laughed within herself, "An old woman like me? Get pregnant? With this old man of a husband?"

¹³⁻¹⁴ God said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh saying, 'Me? Have a baby? An old woman like me?' Is anything too hard for God? I'll be back about this time next year and Sarah will have a baby."

¹⁵ Sarah lied. She said, "I didn't laugh," because she was afraid. But he said, "Yes you did; you laughed."

¹⁶ When the men got up to leave, they set off for Sodom. Abraham walked with them to say good-bye.

Leader: The Word of God, for the People of God

Response: Thanks Be to God. Amen.

Children's Time

Special Music

Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior

Witness

Tell Me the Stories: Isaac Part 1

Response to the Word –

Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light to be the body of Christ in the World.

Now with the Holy Spirit may we live our faith as we tell our story.

Prayers for the World & the Gifts of the Community

Hymn

Freely, Freely

#389

*God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
I've been born again in Jesus' name,
and in Jesus' name, I come to you,
to share his love as he told me to.*

*He said, "Freely, freely you have received,
freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe,
others will know that I live."*

Benediction

Prayer List

Margaret Arceneaux
Paul Arceneaux, Jr.
Sidney Arceneaux
Kim Craigen Ard
Lucian Adams
Dolores Anderson
Natalie Avery
Johnny & Ovelia Battaglio
Family of Shirley Battaglio
Linda Bergen
Robert & Alicia Besser
Lloyd Betar
Mary Bevil
Bonnie Blankenship
Donna Suppa Bolton
Jo Bordeaux
Pat Borel
Glenda Brooks
Jean Brooks
Ann Campbell
Norma Campbell
Robert & Roxie Castilaw
Jared Castolenia
Tana Champeau
Rebecca Chance
Billie Cherry
Kim Wilber Conn
Derick Cooper
Kyle & Beth Craigen
Dakota Crutchfield
Jimmy & Emily Davis

Bobbie Dean
Mary Delafosse
Tammy Dufour
Family of Lane Duhe
Julie Duplichan
Joe Floyd
Lorene Green
Rachel Grimmett
Connie Hebert
MaryJo Hebert
Christie Hale
Edna & Raymond Jones
Alice Kethley
Family of Shirley Kethley
Kristie Key
Clyde Landry
Gail Lauve
Christi Leblanc
Family of Jim Leblanc
Fred Ledesma
Alice & Louis Loftin
Orianna Marchand
Matt Markos
Barbara Martin
Lloyd Martin
Linda Meyers
Maribeth Moore
Jimmy Mott
Ron & Michelle Mueller

Joyce Murphy
Arnold Northcut
Kelly Simmons Owens
Jim Padgett
John & Candance Perkins
Melva Phillips
Harlan Phipps
Alfred Pierson
Mercedes Pierson
Justin Plake
John Pool
Kenny Puckett
Buddy Renkema
Nikki Castilaw Rice
Edward Rivet
Randy & Darlene Rivett
Betty Romero
Ezekiel Romero
Joann Savelle
Jim & Loretta Shearer
Brooke Simon
Harriet Simpson
James Sowell
Kim Streed
Bob Taylor
Loretta Thibodeaux
Sadina Hammock Ward
Mary Alice Weitzel
Mary Rose Williams
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We are called to be:

Transformed by God's love, Christ's sacrifice and the Spirit's work in our lives.

Engaged with all of God's children from the small to the tall, the near and the far.

Celebrate, worship & praise God as we care for each other.

Share the Good News of God's love in our thoughts, words and deeds.

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