## Worship Resources for Sunday July 12, 2020

## As you are gathering for worship, share together (or think about): What filled you with joy this week?

Welcome & Call to Worship – Psalm 9:1-2, 7

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

<sup>2</sup>I will be glad and rejoice in you;

I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD reigns forever;

he has established his throne for judgment.

Song - "I Serve A Risen Savior"

God's Greeting

-The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Song - "Trust In You."

## Confession and Commitment – Romans 8:1-4, 10-11

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

## Prayer

<sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Song – "Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

**Morning Prayer** 

Kid's Time

Scripture – *Genesis 16:1-16* 

<sup>1</sup> Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian slave named Hagar; <sup>2</sup> so she said to Abram, "The LORD has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my slave; perhaps I can build a family through her."

Abram agreed to what Sarai said. <sup>3</sup> So after Abram had been living in Canaan ten years, Sarai his wife took her Egyptian slave Hagar and gave her to her husband to be his wife. <sup>4</sup> He slept with Hagar, and she conceived.

When she knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress. <sup>5</sup> Then Sarai said to Abram, "You are responsible for the wrong I am suffering. I put my slave in your arms, and now that she knows she is pregnant, she despises me. May the LORD judge between you and me."

<sup>6</sup> "Your slave is in your hands," Abram said. "Do with her whatever you think best." Then Sarai mistreated Hagar; so she fled from her.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. <sup>8</sup> And he said, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?"

"I'm running away from my mistress Sarai," she answered.

<sup>9</sup> Then the angel of the LORD told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." <sup>10</sup> The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count."

<sup>11</sup>The angel of the LORD also said to her:

"You are now pregnant

and you will give birth to a son.

You shall name him Ishmael,

for the LORD has heard of your misery.

<sup>12</sup> He will be a wild donkey of a man;

his hand will be against everyone

and everyone's hand against him,

and he will live in hostility

toward all his brothers."

<sup>13</sup> She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her: "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees me." <sup>14</sup> That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered.

<sup>15</sup> So Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave the name Ishmael to the son she had borne. <sup>16</sup> Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore him Ishmael.

Message - "The Joy of Living Patiently"

Some questions to think and talk about.

Did anything in these verses surprise you? Did anything challenge you?

Have you had a time when it seemed God had forgotten you?

Can you think of a time when you didn't wait patiently for God to act?

How will being more patient allow you to experience more joy?

Song – "When We Walk with the Lord" God's Blessing Song – "Lion of Judah"

~Go in peace to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors~