

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Northside Presbyterian Church – September 13, 2020
(streaming from indoors)

GATHERING MUSIC – *“The Little Healthy Hill”*

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us gather around and see how the Spirit will nurture our faith today.

Who is with us?

Christ, the light of the world.

Who is with us?

The love of God, who came to meet us in the world.

Who is with us?

The Wisdom of God, who speaks to us through the scriptures.

Who is with us?

The grace of God, who proclaims we are children of God.

We are here, Holy Spirit, ready for your leading.

HYMN – *“We Gather Here in Jesus’ Name” (510, v. 1)*

**1 We gather here in Jesus’ name; his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
for through the loving Son the Father makes us one:
come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.**

No one is a stranger here; everyone belongs.

Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs.

(Repeat first stanza)

PRAYER OF PRAISE

CONFESSION

Loving God, you lived for us—we have not lived for you. You have forgiven us—we have not forgiven others. You have loved us—we have not loved ourselves nor have we loved one another. Take pity on us and forgive us, God. Help us to forgive. Help us to live for you. Help us to love through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(silence)

GOSPEL – Matthew 18:21-25 – Emmanuel Frimpong

OFFERING OF MUSIC – *“Oh, Mary, Don’t You Weep, Don’t You Mourn”*

OLD TESTAMENT – Exodus 14:19-31

SERMON – *“Does It Take a Miracle?”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN – *“Out of Deep, Unordered Water” (484, v. 1- 3)*

**1 Out of deep, unordered water God created light and land,
world of bird and beast and, later, in God's image, woman, man.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant.
Let creation praise its giver: there is water in the font.**

**2 Water on the human forehead, birthmark of the love of God,
is the sign of death and rising; through the seas there runs a road.
There is water in the river bringing life to tree and plant.
Let creation praise its giver: there is water in the font.**

**3 Standing round the font reminds us of the Hebrews' climb ashore.
Life is hallowed by the knowledge God has been this way before.
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Let creation praise its giver: there is water in the font.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG (822)

**When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we’re dying, it is in the Lord.
Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God; we belong to God.**

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan

Susan Dickerson

Bonnie Church

Hazel Hale

Camille Hodges

Drew Taylor

Edd Stoops

Wendi Hamilton

Mary Lough

Today’s musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen
Videographer – Marshall Chaney