

Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church, USA



Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Single Service

July 12, 2020 10:00 a.m.

PREPARATORY PRAYER

God of peace,

We are a people divided. We are set apart by custom and creed, race and religion, opinions and politics, background and belief, class and culture. You love diversity. You desire community.

In this worship hour, draw us in together. Unite us in Christ. Illumine us to be a beacon of hope for a shattered world. Amen.

PRELUDE

Jupiter (from "The Planets")

- Gustav Holst

THE PRESENTATION OF SCRIPTURE

INVOCATION (based on Psalm 133)

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred find a way to be in union!

It is like the precious oil on the head, like the finest ointment on the favored one, running down anointing everything.

It is like the dew of Hermon, like the glistening of the highest peak. That is how our unity shines.

The Lord has ordained a blessing, life forevermore!

HYMN NO. 317

In Christ There Is No East or West

- John Oxenham

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that we are much like Jacob and Esau. We are divided and set against one another. Seeing in the world a scarcity, we have sought advantages over others. Settled into the haves and have-nots, we have hoarded blessings we should have shared. Seeking security, we have left people defenseless. Searching for certainty, we have held unhelpful opinions. Set apart from those unlike us, we have harbored assumptions and biases. Overcome our divides, Holy One, overwhelm us with grace. In this worship silence, we name what separates us from you and others in hope of unity.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE NO. 581

Glory Be to the Father

- Henry Greatorex

WELCOME, LIVE-STREAM CHECK-IN, AND JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

The Lord's Prayer

- S. Ligertwood, J. Myrin, B. Ligertwood

Rebecca Bell Echols, mezzo soprano

DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, ELECTRONIC AND ONLINE GIVING

RESPONSE

The Doxology

- Patrick Sise & William B. Abernathy

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 25:19-34

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 3:28-29

RESPONSE

Leader: The Word of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Peoples Divided"

- Jon Nelson

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (p. 35, debts & debtors)

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

The Earth Is Yours

- Michael Gungor

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Sea of Clouds

- Per-Olov Kindgren

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP You're invited to "Sunday Fellowship" Zoom meeting after our Sunday worship livestream! It will begin at approximately 11:15 am. Since we cannot meet in person yet, and we miss our Sunday morning snack and chat time, we thought we'd see if this could be a sort of virtual substitute! Sorry, you'll have to supply your own coffee and snacks. ;) If you'd like to log onto the Zoom session for this fellowship opportunity, please contact fellowship@arkanddove.org before 11:15am Sunday mornings to receive a link to join in.

SUMMER BIBLE CLUB July 13-August 14, 2020 This summer, Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church is holding a virtual Summer Bible Club. Registration is open to K-8th grade students (grade completed). The program "On Earth As in Heaven" invites us to (re)-experience the Lord's Prayer and to see the connections between prayer and service in the world. Weekly videos starting on July 13 introduce the theme with a skit, music, and Bible story. On Thursday nights, children will meet with their age group for a live Zoom call featuring activities and conversation relating to our theme. Register today at www.ArkandDove.org. Questions? Christina Nelson, [christinajoy87\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:christinajoy87(at)gmail.com) or Linda Lewis, [lclewis022\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:lclewis022(at)gmail.com).

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER BOOK CLUB As part of our Summer Bible Club, Ark and Dove Middle School youth are invited to join a discussion of the book *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi. We will meet weekly for five weeks to discuss the book from a faith perspective. Several are already in. Want to join? Please contact Pastor Jon (jnelson@arkanddove.org).

HEALING THROUGH GRIEF DURING COVID-19 *Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.* Matthew 5:4 Pastor Tim, Deacon Cathy Debus and Linnie Girdner will be co-facilitating the next Healing Through Grief group this **Tuesday, July 14, 7pm** on Zoom. The Healing Through Grief small group is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one, whether it is recent or a long time ago. Please contact Pastor Tim Stern (tsstern@arkanddove.org or 410-674-6400) or Linnie Girdner (girdnerlinda@gmail.com or 410-999-7892) to receive a link to attend or with any questions on how to use Zoom. Let's be there for one another in this new way of healing

through grief. If you need to talk with someone prior to that date, please feel free to call Linnie Girdner or [contact your Deacon](#).

SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION Pastor Jon and I have picked a novel for this summer's book discussion that we are certain you are going to love: James McBride's "Deacon King Kong." NPR described this novel, which is set in the south Brooklyn projects in the late 1960s, as "a narrative about flawed, poor people navigating an ugly, racist world and trying their best with the help of God, each other, or the bottle; their stories are unique, but the struggles are universal — and that makes this a novel about all of us." The Zoom discussion will take place on **Tuesday, August 4, 7pm**. Please email Kim Champagne at kim.champagne@gmail.com for the meeting code.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL Summer Sunday School for Elementary aged children will continue using the Holy Moly program from 9am to 9:30am on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in teaching or being the second adult on zoom, please contact Julie Devers at jbdevers@gmail.com.

FRESH AIR AND A GOOD WORKOUT Ready for summer? We are! To make the playground area ready for children we have wood chip mulch that needs to be shoveled from the parking lot to the playground. Need some lighter work? The flower beds, to include around several bushes, are in need of weeding. Please sign up below and annotate your available day/time, so I can coordinate for social distancing. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Autumn Vernon at facilities@arkanddove.org.

THE DEACONS CORDIALLY INVITE YOU! If you are looking for some fun on Saturday night, join the Deacons to play Codenames over Zoom! Codenames is like a board game that is very easy to play virtually--it's not a video game. Get an invitation to the Zoom meeting from eemakar@aol.com. Get the game at www.horsepaste.com/deacons. There is no sign up, download, or registration. You will need to tile your screens, to be able to see Zoom and the game at the same time. It is best to play on a computer, for size. Saturdays at 8 PM.

FRIENDLY SENIORS TEA Thursdays at 3:00 pm on Zoom. Please contact Pastor Tim (tstern@arkanddove.org) to receive an invitation.

SEND US YOUR SELFIES We all miss seeing each other, so please **submit selfies** of you and your families, so we can share during worship. We especially love seeing how you are worshipping! Please send photos to admin@arkanddove.org or Ellen Makar, Worship Elder, eemakar@aol.com.

LIVESTREAM EQUIPMENT, SUBSCRIPTION AND SERVICES FEES The [streaming services fund](#) connects us during our most trying times through [livestream](#) and Zoom. Worship services and programs can now be viewed through [livestream](#) and Zoom when in person participation is not possible. Thank you for contributing to this crucial fund that strengthens our church home and our whole community. Please [donate online](#) or text an amount followed by **stream** to **410-983-3481**.

ARTWORK *Esau Selling his Birthright to Jacob* by Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn

Welcome! We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us! Join us again, on livestream, every Sunday at 10:00 am.

Lay Reader: Brian Boudreau

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