

Sunday, July 16, 2023 Summer Service & Picnic at Pine Acres

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Hymn #73 Jesus, Jesus, Jesus

Hymn #79 His Name Is Wonderful

Hymn #14 Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn #386 Take My Life and Let It Be

Responsive Reading #650 Christian Sharing

Guest Missionary Speakers Jim & Janet Stahl
serving under Wycliffe Bible Translators

Scripture Text Genesis 16 & John 4

Hospital Visitor This Week Visitation Minister Guest Missionary Speakers Worship Leader Lead Pastor Marlin Bohannon Patricia Strain Jim & Janet Stahl Pat Shroff Rev. Tim Valentino

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday: MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY Online via Zoom @ 7:00 p.m.

Sundays: <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> for all ages @ 9:00 a.m. <u>MORNING WORSHIP</u> in Dech Chapel @ 10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 17: MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING @ 7 p.m. in Zinn Commons + Online via Zoom

Sunday, August 6: <u>BAPTISMAL SERVICE</u> at Stone Ridge Poplar Run.

The list of **Sharing Cupboard** current food needs: • Chunky Soup • Ketchup • Spaghetti Sauce • Cereal • Canned Fruit • Tomato Products• Cookies • And regular items

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at <u>pastortim@christcomm.church</u> or (484) 269-4313.

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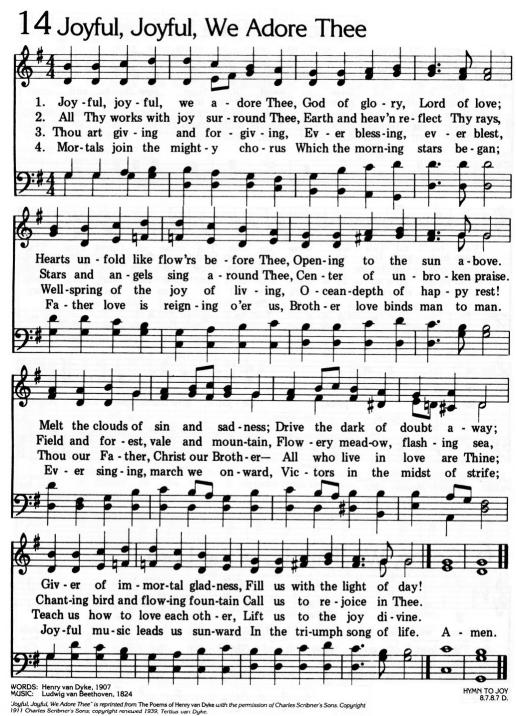
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⁷⁹ His Name Is Wonderful His name is Won-der-ful, His name is Won-der-ful, His name is Won-der-ful, Je - sus, my Lord; He is the might-y King, Mas-ter of ev - erv-thing. His name is Won-der-ful, Je-sus, my Lord. He's the great Shep-herd, the Rock of all a - ges. Al-might-y God is He; Bow down before Him, Love and a - dore Him, His name is Won-der-ful, Je-sus my Lord. WORDS and MUSIC: Audrey Mieir, 1959 Irregular meter © Copyright 1959 by MANNA MUSIC, INC., 2111 Kenmere Ave., Burbank, CA 91504. Irregular meter International Copyright Secured. All Rights Reserved. Used by Permission.

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WORDS: Frances R. Havergal, 1874

Henri A. César Malan, 1827

MUSIC:

GENESIS 16

¹ Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian slave named Hagar; ² 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. ³ 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. ⁴ He slept with Hagar, and she conceived.

When she knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress. ⁵ 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."

- ⁶ "Your slave is in your hands," Abram said. "Do with her whatever you think best." Then Sarai mistreated Hagar; so she fled from her.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. ⁸ 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.
- ⁹ Then the angel of the Lord told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." ¹⁰ The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count."
- ¹¹ 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. 12 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."
- ¹³ 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." ¹⁴ That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered.
- ¹⁵ So Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave the name Ishmael to the son she had borne. ¹⁶ Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore him Ishmael.

JOHN 4

Jesus Talks With a Samaritan Woman

Now Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that he was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John— ² although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples. ³ So he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

- ⁴ Now he had to go through Samaria. ⁵ So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.
- ⁷ When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" ⁸ (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)
- ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.[a])
- Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."
- ¹¹ "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?"
- ¹³ Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."
- ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."
- ¹⁶ He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."
- ¹⁷ "I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸ The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

19 "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you

are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

- ²¹ "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."
- ²⁵ The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."
- $^{\rm 26}$ Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he."

The Disciples Rejoin Jesus

- ²⁷ Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?"
- ²⁸ Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, ²⁹ "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" ³⁰ They came out of the town and made their way toward him.
- ³¹ Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something."
- ³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about."
- ³³ Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?"
- ³⁴ "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. ³⁵ Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. ³⁶ Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. ³⁷ Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. ³⁸ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped

the benefits of their labor."

Many Samaritans Believe

- ³⁹ Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he stayed two days. ⁴¹ And because of his words many more became believers.
- ⁴² They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

Jesus Heals an Official's Son

- ⁴³ After the two days he left for Galilee. ⁴⁴ (Now Jesus himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honor in his own country.) ⁴⁵ When he arrived in Galilee, the Galileans welcomed him. They had seen all that he had done in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, for they also had been there.
- ⁴⁶ Once more he visited Cana in Galilee, where he had turned the water into wine. And there was a certain royal official whose son lay sick at Capernaum. ⁴⁷ When this man heard that Jesus had arrived in Galilee from Judea, he went to him and begged him to come and heal his son, who was close to death.
- ⁴⁸ "Unless you people see signs and wonders," Jesus told him, "you will never believe."
- ⁴⁹ The royal official said, "Sir, come down before my child dies."
- 50 "Go," Jesus replied, "your son will live."
- The man took Jesus at his word and departed. ⁵¹ While he was still on the way, his servants met him with the news that his boy was living. ⁵² When he inquired as to the time when his son got better, they said to him, "Yesterday, at one in the afternoon, the fever left him."
- ⁵³ Then the father realized that this was the exact time at which Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." So he and his whole household believed.
- ⁵⁴ This was the second sign Jesus performed after coming from Judea to Galilee.

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