**Call to Worship: June 12, 2022**

**All:** To you, O people, wisdom calls. She calls out to each of us: Beckoning us to experience peace in Christ, harkening us to discover the truth of life; imploring us to know true love, as it is poured into our heart.

Let us answer her call, as we celebrate faith in the one who leads us into life.

**Hymn #12 “Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise”**

**1.** Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious,

 the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice,

 like mountains high soaring above; thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small. In all life thou livest, the true life of all.

 We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light. Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.

 All praise we would render; O help us to see ‘tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

**Prayer of Confession:**

God of infinite mercy, be with us in our need. When we neglect the wisdom of knowing our place in this world, forgive us. When we trade your peace and calls for unity for conflict and violence, heal us. When we forsake good character to join those who scoff at your ways, restore us. When we ignore your truth, and turn our back on your wisdom, ennoble and enlighten us. Forgive us and renew us, Lord, that we may abide in your truth and live in your love forever. Amen.

**1st Scripture Reading: Verses from Proverbs 8**

1Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice? 4“To you, O people, I call out; I raise my voice to all mankind. 6Listen, for I have trustworthy things to say; I open my lips to speak what is right. 7My mouth speaks what is true, for my lips detest wickedness. 8All the words of my mouth are just; none of them is crooked or perverse. 10Choose my instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold, 11for wisdom is more precious than rubies, and nothing you desire can compare with her. 13To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech. 14Counsel and sound judgment are mine; I have insight, I have power. 20I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, 21bestowing a rich inheritance on those who love me and making their treasuries full. 22“The Lord brought me forth as the first of his works, before his deeds of old; 32“Now then, my children, listen to me; blessed are those who keep my ways. 33Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it. 34Blessed are those who listen to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. 35For those who find me find life and receive favor from the Lord. 36But those who fail to find me harm themselves; all who hate me love death.”

**2nd Scripture Reading: Romans 5:1-5**

 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

**Hymn: #475 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

**1.** Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy; never ceasing,

 call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;

 praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it, mount of God’s unchanging love!

**2.** Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I’m come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure,

 safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;

 he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

**3**. O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter,

 bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

 here’s my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

**Sermon: “Peace with God and wisdom are two wonderful gifts from God!”**

**Affirmation of Faith:**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

**Hymn: #353 “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”**

**1.** My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;

 I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus name.

**Refrain:** On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

**2.** When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale,

 my anchor holds within the veil.

**3.** His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way,

 he then is all my hope and stay.

**4.** When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found, dressed in righteousness alone,

 faultless to stand before the throne.