SouthWest United Church July 3, 2022 Fourth Sunday in Pentecost

Welcome

Gathering: VU 710 Shall We Gather at the River

Welcoming the Light

We light this candle as a symbol of the light of Christ, which cannot be held back or dimmed by uncertainty for the light shines in each one of us, guiding us to wisdom. Amen

Call to worship

God, we meet together, your people, one people, your family, bound together, with the woven cord that binds all of creation together, fashioned from your love; brothers and sisters, children together, one family in fellowship with you. May this be a time of joy, a time for growing, a time for strengthening, a time for loving, family time, quality time, together. Amen

Opening prayer

Open our ears to your wisdom, Creator. Stir our hearts and minds with wonder. Reach beyond the limits of our thought processes. Tap into our deeper sense of awe and wonder. Open our imaginations to discern your voice. Open our ears, open our hearts, open our minds. Amen.

Hymn: VU 600 When I Needed a Neighbour

<u>Prayers for Grace and Transformation</u>/ Words of Affirmation

God's love never leaves us. We are loved, understood, forgiven, enabled to begin again. For God's great grace toward us, let us praise our God! Amen

The Peace

Exegesis/Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

First Testament 2 Kings 5: 1-14 Psalm 30 VU page 757

Gospel Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

* Alleluia!

Reflection

Hymn: VU 602 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

<u>Invitation to the Offering</u> Doxology – Praise God... (VU 541) <u>Offertory Prayer</u>

<u>Announcements</u>

Holy Communion (see insert)

<u>Prayers of the people/Lords Prayer</u>

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Extinguish the Candle

Blessing

Hymn: Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

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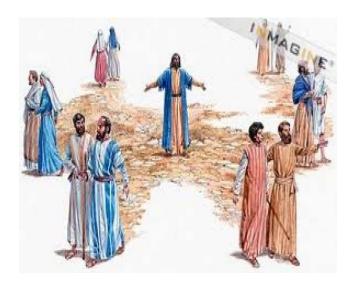
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⁸ "When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹ Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, ¹¹ 'Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.' *Luke 10: 8-11*