



*"We invite, encourage, educate and empower
all people to follow God and serve others."*

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24, 2020

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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*This is the good news which we proclaim to you. Jesus Christ is raised from the dead! Walk in the light of his love. Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies. Come, let us worship the One who overcame death. Let us celebrate the triumph of our Lord. **Amen.***

—Nancy C. Townle

HYMN

There Is A Redeemer

**There is a redeemer Jesus, God's own son
Precious lamb of God, Messiah Holy one**

**Jesus my redeemer Name above all names
Precious lamb of God, Messiah Oh, for sinners slain.**

**Thank you oh my father For giving us your son
And leaving your spirit 'til the work on earth is done.**

**When I stand in glory I will see his face
And there I'll serve my king forever In that holy place.**

**Thank you oh my father For giving us your son
And leaving your spirit 'til the work on earth is done.**

**There is a redeemer Jesus, God's own son
Precious lamb of God, Messiah Holy one**

**Thank you oh my father For giving us your son
And leaving your spirit 'til the work on earth is done.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF LAMENT

Inspired by Psalm 77:1-20

God, we call out to you!

From the depths of our hearts, we cry, “Lord, hear our prayer!”

We are consumed by grief.

**The events of the past few months have overwhelmed us—
it’s hard to sleep, it’s hard to eat, it’s even hard to pray.**

Where are you, God?

**Deep down, we know that you love us—we’ve experienced
your mercy and your faithfulness in the past, and it has
sustained us through many difficult times.**

We refuse to believe that you have deserted us, or that you are unaware of the pain that we’re feeling.

**And so we turn to you again, longing for your presence,
looking for your comfort and peace.**

Surround us with your unfailing love.

**Remind us that you alone are God, and that you hold us in
the palm of your hand.**

Give us courage and strength to face the days ahead, and strengthen us in the knowledge that we do not face them alone.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, we pray.
Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

James 1:1-27

James, a servant^[a] of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion:
Greetings.

² My brothers and sisters, ^[b] whenever you face trials of any kind, consider it nothing but joy, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance; ⁴ and let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking in nothing.

⁵ If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you. ⁶ But ask in faith, never doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind; ^{7, 8} for the doubter, being double-minded and unstable in every way, must not expect to receive anything from the Lord.

⁹ Let the believer^[c] who is lowly boast in being raised up, ¹⁰ and the rich in being brought low, because the rich will disappear like a flower in the field. ¹¹ For the sun rises with its scorching heat and withers the field; its flower falls, and its beauty perishes. It is the same way with the rich; in the midst of a busy life, they will wither away.

¹² Blessed is anyone who endures temptation. Such a one has stood the test and will receive the crown of life that the Lord^[d] has promised to those who love him. ¹³ No one, when tempted, should say, "I am being tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴ But one is tempted by one's own desire, being lured and enticed by it; ¹⁵ then, when that desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin, and that sin, when it is fully grown, gives birth to death. ¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved.^[e]

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.^[f] ¹⁸ In fulfillment

of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved:^[g] let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³ For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves^[h] in a mirror; ²⁴ for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵ But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶ If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON *“Be Quick to Listen, Slow to Speak”*

APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father,

He will come again 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 the life everlasting.
Amen

OFFERING

HYMN *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Holy Spirit rain down rain down
O Comforter and Friend
How we need Your touch again
Holy Spirit rain down rain down
Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down

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Holy Spirit rain down rain down
Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down

No eye has seen no ear has heard
No mind can know what God has in store
So open up heaven open it wide
Over Your church and over our lives

**Holy Spirit rain down rain down
O Comforter and Friend
How we need Your touch again
Holy Spirit rain down rain down
Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Yes, we will. Thanks be to God.

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We lift in prayer

- *Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including Casey, Sarah, Shiloh and Keegan, as well as the friends and family of Dorothy and Rev. Norm Shomper
- *Those who are working on the front lines during this pandemic, including Leah, Mike, Jennifer, Jessica, and their families.
- *Those who are celebrating additions to their families.
- *Those recovering from surgeries, recovering or who are ill, including Tom, Lindsay, Randy, Rick, Levi, Kyndal and Pepper
- * Those with ongoing health concerns, including Terri, Suzan, Chelle, Patricia, Felix, Taylor, Beverly, Rebecca, Clyde, and Kelly.
- *Members of our military, including Bobby, Wyatt and Adam.
- *For our graduates
- *For our firefighters and our first responders.
- *For our leaders at every level.



Join Chelle and Maysyn every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7:00pm, on Zoom

Tuesdays- A brief look at what's coming up for Bible study and a check-in with each other/online fellowship on Zoom

Thursdays- The weekly Bible Study on Zoom

Everyone is welcome to join. This is a "bite-sized" Bible Study so it's really easy to pick up if you missed a week or two, or even if you have never joined. The more, the merrier!!!

Meeting ID: 886 0644 8843 Password: 372054

***If you are wanting to call into the meeting, please call Chelle (605-787-8896) for the meeting phone number. To avoid security breaches we will no longer post the phone number publically.*



There WILL NOT be a WELCA Zoom meeting on Thursday, May 28th, as Pastor Deb will be out of town.

WELCA Zoom meetings will resume on Thursday, June 11th, and will continue to be the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 9:30am.

Pastor Deb's Zoom Gatherings:

*Meeting ID: 518-251-3825 Password: OSLHermosa or 176873.

Pastor Deb's Zoom Gatherings can also be accessed via telephone. If you would like the meeting phone number, please contact Pastor Deb (605-890-0781) and she can get it for you. To avoid security breaches we will no longer post the phone number publically.

All women are welcome to join in! If you would like a physical copy of the studies, please let Josie know and she will get one to you. 605-255-4662 or osl@mt-rushmore.net

WHAT'S COMING UP?

There are many opportunities to gather online each week and keep our family of faith thriving! If you need help connecting to Facebook Live or YouTube, to watch and participate, please call Josie in the church office and she can walk you through it. 605-255-4662

Sunday, May 24th

9:30am OSL Sunday Service- on Facebook Live

Following Worship: Fellowship with Pastor Deb on Zoom

Meeting ID: 518-251-3825 Password: OSLHermosa or 176873.

Monday, May 25th

Memorial Day- Church office closed

Tuesday, May 26th

7:00 pm Zoom Gathering with Chelle & Maysyn – Short Bible Study Sneak Peek and Checking in with each other.

Meeting ID: 886 0644 8843 Password: 372054

Thursday, May 28th

7:00pm Bible Study via Zoom with Chelle & Maysyn

Meeting ID: 886 0644 8843 Password: 372054

Sunday, May 31st

9:30am OSL Sunday Service-Facebook Live

Following Service: Fellowship with Pastor Deb on Zoom

Meeting ID: 518-251-3825 Password: OSLHermosa or 176873.

*All services will be Live on Facebook at their scheduled times. You can also watch them at a later time on Facebook or YouTube.

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/OSLHermosa>

YouTube Page: <https://www.youtube.com/user/TheOSLHermosa>

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Pastor Deb will be out of the office Wednesday, May 27th through Saturday May 30th. There will not be Noon time prayer, Zoom coffee in the morning with Pastor Deb, or WELCA next week. Please contact Pastor Duane Neugebauer (303-489-9313) if you have a pastoral emergency during that time.



Helping South Dakota Residents

www.coronahelpsd.com

Corona Help South Dakota is an initiative to pull together individuals, organizations and churches to help our state during this difficult virus outbreak. This initiative is being led by The Helpline Center (211), Feeding South Dakota and Churches. Corona Help SD is focused on delivering necessities to individuals that are homebound and also providing food distributions to insure that people across our state have the necessary support.

Head to the above website if you need help or if you want to help. You can input your needs right in the site and they will connect your need to an area provider who can help.

Don't have internet or need assistance finding help? Contact *The Helpline Center* by dialing 211 on your phone.

