Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost, Year B ...... October 31, 2021

#### INVITATION AND GATHERING

#### WELCOME

#### **CENTERING WORDS**

You, who are thirsty, come. Here, you will find Christ's grace to quench your thirst and God's love to nourish your souls.

\*SCRIPTURE READING ..... Exodus 7:1-7

\* OPENING HYMN: #657 ...... This Is the Day

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: If faith has been a family tradition, it may be we are thirsty for a more personal encounter with Christ.

People: Many of us have grown up in the church. We feel at home here. Perhaps that familiarity hinders what God would like to do with us.

Leader: God would like to satisfy our thirst by revealing our sins so he can forgive us. Then we can really worship him!

People: We desire to empty our lives of all distractions, that God may fill us with his presence!

#### \* LET US PRAY:

O God of love, who offers an ever-flowing fountain of forgiveness: Fill our emptiness with your love; that in drinking freely your water of life, we may know the joy of true worship and righteous living. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

## \* LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:

#469 ...... Jesus Is All the World to Me (vs 1 & 4)

#### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Congregation)

Worship almost becomes a habit, Father; and we do not feel our spiritual thirst is quenched. It is too easy for us to go through our ritual of worship and continue in a lifestyle of sin. Forgive us for worship, which is artificial, preventing us from drinking the life-giving water of salvation. Reveal our sins to us, and then cleanse us; that we may be refreshed with your gift of new life in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

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#710.....Faith of Our Fathers

#### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Christ, the Living Water, is here, washing over us with mercy, and filling us with hope and renewal.

Rejoice and be glad, for we are renewed with love and made whole with grace.

\*SCRIPTURE READING: ...... John 4:1-26

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD MADE FLESH: "You can be Satisfied by..."

\* RESPONSE TO THE WORD:

#467 ......Trust and Obey

**CONGREGATION IN PRAYER: Joys and Concerns**`

Let us pray: The Lord's Prayer

\* PRAYER HYMN: # 2200 ...... O Lord, Hear My Prayer

\* CLOSING HYMN: # 474 ......Precious Lord, Take My Hand

\* DISMISSAL BLESSING

# **Concerns**



- ~ Shirley Platt (health concerns-doing better)
- ~ Sandra Rosado (prayers for complete recovery)
- ~ Don Swanson (health concerns)
- ~ Kanae Swanson (strength)
- ~ Richard Harris (continuing prayers for recovery) {Vicky's dad}
- ~ John & Shirley Zinter (health concerns) {Sue's parents}
- ~Amos's granddaughter, Angela, who is a missionary (Lyme

disease, recovered, but now has internal parasites, spirit is broken but wants to do God's work)

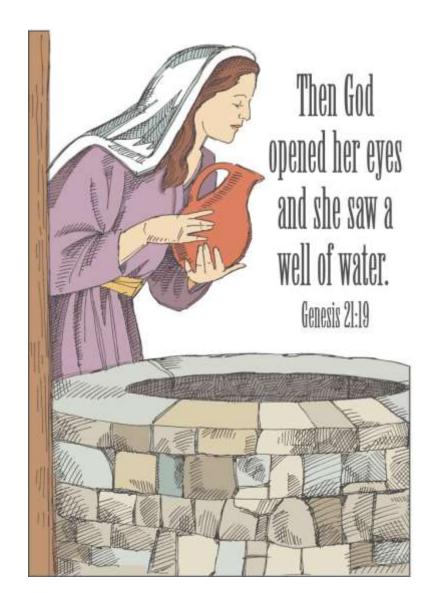
- ~Luz (recovering from a heart condition)
- ~Lindsey (has developed sarcoidosis as a result from COVID) {Bev's granddaughter}
- ~Barb Nicoll (heart valve replacement surgery needed. Waiting for scheduling)
- ~Jeremy Flint & family (Jeremy's grandfather passed away)
- ~Vicky's brother, Dan (prayers of healing)

# <u>Joys</u>

- ~Sandra hasn't had chemo treatment in 3 weeks! Percentage is still in 12%. Holy Communion Book has been instrumental in her healing
- $\sim$  P. J. Mart (is now being sent home, 0% rate of rejection! Doing incredibly well, but continued prayers for recovery)
- ~Pastor Daniel adopting 4 children-Praises!

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