

# Sunday, June 20, 2021 – 8:30

\*Opening Song "Who You Say I Am" Mason & Band

A Word of Welcome Dr. Davis Chappell

\*Call to Worship Dr. Davis Chappell

Leader: Come to God who gathers us in.

**People: We come to God who nurtures us like a father.**

Leader: Come to God whose arms are open and waiting.

**People: We come to God who welcomes and forgives us.**

Leader: Come to God who calls us and journeys with us.

**People: Let us worship the God of grace!**

\*Songs of Praise "All the Poor and Powerless"  
"Good, Good Father" Mason & band

\*Affirmation of Faith 883 Rev. Adam Jones

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God: Who has created and is creating,**

**Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,**

**Who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence,**

**to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,**

**to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer Rev. Adam Jones

\*Scripture Reading: Luke 15:11-32 (NRSV) Carole Shutt

<sup>11</sup> Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup> A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. <sup>14</sup> When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. <sup>16</sup> He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. <sup>17</sup> But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' <sup>20</sup> So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; <sup>24</sup> for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. <sup>25</sup> "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. <sup>27</sup> He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>29</sup> But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Sermon	"The Loving Father" Kindred Hearts, Part 11	Dr. Davis Chappell
Offering		Rev. Adam Jones
Offertory	"Run to the Father"	Mason & band
*Benediction		Dr. Davis Chappell

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*The chancel flowers are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Jim Perkins by Gail Perkins and Robin, Ragon, and Jake Petty.*

*The narthex flowers are presented to the glory of God by Louise Spann in loving memory of her husband, John Spann III, and her mother-in-law, Gwen Spann.*

## SERMON REFLECTION

1. What are my biggest take-aways from the sermon?

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2. What is God teaching me?

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3. What from the sermon can I apply to my life this week?

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4. When did I feel most uplifted?

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5. When did I feel most unsettled?

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