

Organ Prelude
Ring of the Bell

***Call to Worship**

God's love for us is great!

God is like a loving parent, who watches over us.

God's mercy for us is great!

God reaches out to us in healing patience and peace.

Praise be to God who has called us here.

Praise be to God whose love and mercy is given to us. Amen.

***Hymn** *This is my Father's World* *see insert*

***Silent Prayer of Confession**

***Words of Assurance**

***Gloria Patri**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world
without end. Amen.*

***Welcome and Announcements**

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

My friends, you know that our time with you wasn't wasted. ² As you remember, we had been mistreated and insulted at Philippi. But God gave us the courage to tell you the good news about him, even though many people caused us trouble. ³ We didn't have any hidden motives when we won you over, and we didn't try to fool or trick anyone. ⁴ God was pleased to trust us with his message. We didn't speak to please people, but to please God who knows our motives.

⁵ You also know that we didn't try to flatter anyone. God himself knows that what we did wasn't a cover-up for greed. ⁶ We were not trying to get you or anyone else to praise us. ⁷ But as apostles, we could have demanded help from you. After all, Christ is the one who sent us. We chose to be like children or like a mother^[a] nursing her baby. ⁸ We cared so much for you, and you became so dear to us, that

we were willing to give our lives for you when we gave you God's message.

⁹ My dear friends, you surely haven't forgotten our hard work and hardships. You remember how night and day we struggled to make a living, so that we could tell you God's message without being a burden to anyone. ¹⁰ Both you and God are witnesses that we were pure and honest and innocent in our dealings with you followers of the Lord. ¹¹ You also know we did everything for you that parents would do for their own children. ¹² We begged, encouraged, and urged each of you to live in a way that would honor God. He is the one who chose you to share in his own kingdom and glory.

Sermon

Hymn *I See a Hero by Shawna Edwards* *Youtube*

Prayers of the People

Pastoral - Silent - Lord's Prayer – *Cares Chorus*

*I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at
your feet, and anytime that I don't know what to do, I'll cast
all my cares upon you.*

Offering our Gifts

Invitation

Offertory Music

***Doxology**

*Praise God from who all blessings flow, Praise God all
creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

***Offering Prayer**

As we honor our fathers today, so we honor you with the gifts
we bring. May they be used for your kingdom. Amen

***Hymn** *God of our Fathers* *see insert*

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Prayer Corner

Hospitalized: Sharon Nagel

Home from the hospital:

In Our Prayers: Karla Maurer, Lucy Reiman, Terri Kroehler, JoAnne Martens, Mary Martens, Audrey Glamm, Larry McConnell

Homebound:

Gaylord

Pauline Woehler – Oak Terrace Nursing Home

Le Sueur

Ed Nye – Ridgeview Le Sueur Nursing Home

Carmen Wigand—Oak Terrace

Arline Karels—Oak Terrace

At Home

Anita Tiegs

If you know of someone in the hospital, scheduled for surgery, recently hospitalized or in need of a pastoral visit, please call Pastor Deb or the church office.

Council Members:

President: Eleanor Hanna-Dyb

Vice President: Larry Wigand

Secretary: Sandi Braun-Ziemer

Building & Grounds: Marvin Petzel, Daniel Dyb,
Jeff Steinborn, Jake Creighton

Worship: Ruth Ann Buck, JoAnne Martens, Cherie Mattson

Membership: Carol Reiter, Tammy Meyer, Sharon Ban

Christian Education: Lynnsay McCormick, Crystal Creighton, Sydnie Graff

Witness & Mission: Glenna Fries, Brianna Petzel, Mary Ann Tesch

Budget & Finance: Irene Doerr, John Meierbachtol,
Larry Wigand, Deb Boettcher

Pastor Relations: Arden Kroehler, Arlene Busse, Mary Ann Marquardt

A Father's Heart Reflects



God's Love For
His Children

***St Paul's United Church of Christ
Henderson, Minnesota***

June 20, 2021 at 9:30am