

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 2021

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE BELL

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (#445/UMH) *Happy the Home When God Is There* J. B. Dykes/A. Lovelace

***CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively):**

L: We gather together to worship the God of our fathers and our mothers –

P: THE GOD OF ABRAHAM AND SARAH, OF MIRIAM AND MOSES ~

L: The God Who hears the cries of His people and comes to their aid –

P: THE GOD WHO MEETS US ON HOLY GROUND AND CALLS US TO FOLLOW –

L: The God Who invites us to leave our selfish ways behind, take up our cross –

P: AND DISCOVER WHAT IT MEANS TO TRULY LIVE.

L: This is our God!

P: LET'S WORSHIP TOGETHER!

***OPENING HYMN OF PRAISE # 144**

This Is My Father's World

***CELEBRATING OUR FATHERS**

- Personal Witness

- Blessing of our Fathers

- Litany for Father's Day (*responsively*):

L: Our relationships with our fathers are complicated ...

P: FOR SOME OF US, OUR FATHER'S LOVE IS LIKE GOD'S LOVE ...

TOO DEEP, TOO LONG, TOO WIDE, TOO STRONG TO MEASURE.

L: Some of our dads are here; some were never here.

P: FOR SOME OF US, GOD'S LOVE FILLS IN THE EMPTY SPACES OUR FATHERS LEFT BEHIND.

L: All of us are shaped by the relationship or lack of relationship with our fathers.

P: ON THIS DAY WHEN WE REMEMBER WHAT IT MEANS TO HAVE A FATHER OR BE A

FATHER, WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF FATHERS IN OUR COMMUNITIES.

AND WE PLEDGE AS A CONGREGATION TO LOVE AND NURTURE THE FATHERS AMONG

US SO THAT THEY WILL MANIFEST THE LOVE OF GOD IN ALL THAT THEY DO. AMEN.

ANTHEM

Father Almighty
(8:30am – Lessie Polk, Soloist)

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Father Almighty
(11:00am – LUMC Chancel Choir)

Franck

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN

Heather Conner/Video – 8:30am
Lori Meyers – 11:00am

***OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Exodus 3:1-14

***GLORIA PATRI #71**

WITNESS TO THE WORD

Celebration Summer, 2021:
Celebrating Our Earthly Fathers and Our Heavenly Father

Rev. L. Kim Eanes

***HYMN OF PRAISE # 141**

Children of the Heavenly Father

OFFERTORY

God Of Our Fathers

G.W. Walken/C.T. Smith

***THE DOXOLOGY #95**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

***CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE # 102**

Now Thank We All Our God

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE (#514/UMH)**

Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus

G. J. Webb

**Please stand if you are able*