

WORSHIP PACKET

05/17/2020 – DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Welcome to Worship! Let Us Pray – “Holy God, this is week nine of not being able to be in worship together in person. We are a little weary, yet, we trust in you. You continue to teach us that you will not be confined by time or space or pandemic. You are LORD of our lives and as we look to YOU we are always connected whether we are in the church house or our house, we are united in and through YOU. Give us the strength to carry on in our love as your people. In your great name we pray, Amen.”

Scripture Part 1

John 21:1-14

“Breakfast On the Beach”

Our Song of the Day – “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

Lord, You have come to the lakeshore
Looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones
You only asked me to follow humbly

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me
And while smiling have spoken my name
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me
By Your side I will seek other seas

You know so well my possessions
My boat carries no gold and no weapons
You will find there, my nets and labor

You need my hands full of caring
Through my labors to give others rest
And constant love that keeps on loving

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me
And while smiling have spoken my name
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me
By Your side I will seek other seas
You, who have fished other oceans
Ever longed for by souls who are waiting
My loving friend, as thus You call me

Scripture Part 2

John 21:15-25

“Feed My Sheepies”

Treat Bag – “You can tuna guitar, but you can’t tuna fish” – ha!!

- Enjoy your tuna. If you don’t like tuna, give to a friend.
- Lifesaver – Jesus as our Savior.
- PayDay: Wasn’t that a PayDay FULL of FISH in our story?

Sermon

“But, They Caught Nothing”

Pastor Lori

Study Questions:

- 1) Do you have a favorite Fishing/Hunting/Camping Spot? What is your favorite food on a cookout?
- 2) The Sea of Gaillee (also called the Sea of Tiberius) seven of the disciples were present in this story. 90 miles away from Jerusalem. What might they have talked about as they traveled and fished?
- 3) Peter – In fishing all night, using nets, do you think Peter just wanted something to do or do you think he went back to his old business because he didn’t know what to do? Jesus had told them to meet him in Galilee.
- 4) Why did Peter jump into the water?
- 5) How does Jesus preparing breakfast on the beach relate to what he did for them back in 13:1-7 (the footwashing)
- 6) Where do you go to “Get away from it all?”
- 7) When was the last time that you received a “Bountiful Blessing?”
~ Jesus Reinstates Peter ~
 - 1) What has been the sweetest reunion you’ve ever had with family/friends?
 - 2) Why do you think Jesus asked Petter 3xs “Do You Love Me?” If Jesus asked YOU the same question, how would you respond?
 - 3) “Take Care of My Sheep” – If Jesus said this to you, what would it mean?
 - 4) What helps to restore you after you’ve “Blown It?”
 - 5) Highs and Lows/Sweet and Saltys – do this together as a family as a check in. If you are alone, write them out and talk to God about them. AND/OR ... phone a friend and talk them through.

Prayer – Lord, thank you for teaching us that abundance is found when we keep our eyes on you. Remind us that the gift of abundance that you provide usually looks different than what WE are expecting abundance to look like. Help us to “settle in” and receive the abundant gifts you provide, especially the gift of our salvation in and through you. Amen.