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## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

*We gather to give praise and thanks to the One who has given Christ Jesus, and through him, all things. Our goal is to rejoice in the presence of the Lord before we begin a new week, to support one another in prayer and to challenge one another to live as people of God in our homes, offices, shops, schools and playgrounds. We believe the Christian life is the most rewarding, demanding and fulfilling life possible.*

### WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE IN PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prelude

Introit

The Chancel Choir

Greetings

\* Invocation

\* Singing God's Praises

The Choir and Congregation

\* Call to Worship

One: It's awesome when all of the people live  
together in unity!

Many: **When waters are rough, we hold each other tightly. When the sea  
begins to swallow us, we hold each other tightly and call on God.**

One: But we also need God and each other when there are no looming waves.

**Many:** We can splash and play in the shallow end and venture into deeper waters with trusted friends, delighting in refreshing currents of community and savoring each burst of laughter. Let's invite others to join in the fun!

## Prayer of Confession

O God, sometimes we are like David, and sometimes Goliath: forgive us for our two-sided nature. We face the powerful with righteous anger, but cling to any sense of power that we attain. We are grateful when grace is extended to us, yet remain absent-minded of this when others have wronged us. We treat our own as family, yet ignore sisters and brothers whom we see only from a distance. As people of paradox, we long for oneness with ourselves and others, with Christ and creation, so that justice and love may flow freely. Amen. *(Moment of silence and reflection)*

## God's Good News

**One:** God's grace washes upon the turbulent shores of our lives; and we are forgiven to begin again

to live at peace with ourselves and others, with Christ and creation.

**Many:** God's justice and love will flow freely through our lives.

## Announcements

## Welcome to our Visitors

**\*Passing the Peace #114, SOZ "Ain't Dat Good News?"**

**One:** May the peace of Christ be with you!

**All:** **And also with you!**

## WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD



Children's Message Deacon Robin Miller

**Response #304, Hymnal**

***"Jesus Loves Me!"***

## Invitation to the Offering

*God offers each one of us unique gifts. May we learn to celebrate and share those gifts so that we may create communities of graciousness and love. Through Jesus, we are reminded of the difference that an individual contribution can make. Let us offer our gifts generously for the service of all.*

Offertory

“Where Could I Go”

The Chancel Choir

\*Doxology #592, Hymnal “Praise God from Whom All  
Blessings Flow”

### **Father’s Day Rally Against Prostate Cancer**

Sunday June 21, 2015 marks the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Father’s Day Rally Against Prostate Cancer (RAPCancer) sponsored by the Prostate Health Education Network (PHEN), Inc., Quincy, MA. Northeastern is in partnership with churches nationwide in calling attention to the disparate rate of prostate cancer among black men. Black men in the United States have the highest prostate cancer incidence (1 out of 5) and mortality rates. It is in this context that a key tenet in the awareness campaign for individuals and families is “knowledge is the best defense against prostate cancer.” Learn more about surviving prostate cancer at live webcasts at [www.rapcancer.org](http://www.rapcancer.org) aired at 6 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month. Also, the free and open to the public **Annual African American Prostate Cancer Disparity Summit** will convene September 24 – 25, 2015 on Capitol Hill. Various sessions will feature prostate cancer survivors and leaders in the fields of medicine, research, government and industry discussing treatment and policy issues surrounding efforts to eliminate the disparity. For additional information on any of the above, please contact Elder Frank Enty at 301/390-1452 or [feenty@verizon.net](mailto:feenty@verizon.net).

Please Save the Dates: Put these dates on your calendar! July 13-17 2015 is our dates for vacation bible school. The Theme this year is “Shining Star.” Our first planning meeting will be held Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. We are in need of teachers for youth and adult, Art, Music, and Heritage leaders, assistance with meals, publicity and outreach. Please come and find out you can help. You can help. You can contact Jennifer Allen @ 202 462-6511 or 301 254-4808 (cell) or Jennjie@hotmail.com. Be that Shining Start! Help make our vacation Bible school a success

LECTIONARY 1 SAMUEL17: (1A, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49 AND PSALM 9:9-20; OR SAMUEL 17:57-18:5, 10-16 AND PSALM 133; 2CORINTHIANS 6:1-13; MARK 4:35-41
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<b>Today’s Worship Leadership</b>
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<b>Liturgist:</b> Deacon Valerie McCray
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<b>Greeters:</b> Mrs. Dorothy and Deacon Robert Robinson
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-Mary Allen, Wilhelmenia Davis; 3-Faye Gregg; 4-  
Hasker Samuel; 6-Ruby Webb; 7-Vivian Hayes-  
Mayes; 9-Shawn Thomas, Sr. , Pamela Jackson ; 11-  
Cecil Nixon; 14- Fannye Corley, Donza Spencer; 21-  
Staci Payne; 25-Ralph Payne; Valorie Tyler

**If your birthday is not listed contact the  
church office.**

### \*Prayer of Dedication

**Bighearted God, we ask you to take these gifts, bless them, and use them to calm storms and create in our communities new, imaginative, and life-giving streams. Amen.**

**Anthem    *"Praise You"- Cymbala*    The Chancel Choir**

### Prayer for Illumination

**Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, O God, in the reading of your Word, that we would hear what you have to say to us today. May your Holy Spirit be poured out upon us; through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Scripture Readings:    Job 38:1-11, p. 420, Pew Bible**

**Mark 4:35-41, p. 816, Pew Bible**

**One: This is the Word of the Lord.**

**Many: Thanks be to God!**

### Sermonic Selection

## Message

Elder Cynthia Gervais

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*\*Song of Affirmation #303, Hymnal "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"*

#### Litany of Prayer in Recognition and Honor for Father's Day

One: On this day we recognize our fathers and stepfathers, those who have nurtured and guided us in our lives.

**Many: We thank You, O God, for those who have been fathers to us.**

One: We honor our grandfathers, our uncles and brothers, those who have demonstrated love and care to us in our lives.

**Many: We thank You, O God, for those who have been like fathers to us.**

One: We appreciate our teachers, leaders and pastors, who have been both male and female, but we especially honor those who have extended fatherly tenderness and love in our lives in our past and present.

**Many: We thank You, O God, for those who have fulfilled a fatherly role in our lives.**

One: Loving God, You have been both Mother and Father to us. Abba, Father, we remember how Jesus called out to You on earth, recognizing that You are closer to us than our earthly parents. Your love and care for us are felt in the ways we are loved and cared for by others. We thank You for all the male figures in our lives who have shared Your love with us. We ask that You guide and nurture new fathers and fathers-to-be. We seek Your forgiveness for fathers who have fallen short, for models of fatherhood that were limiting rather than embracing, for that is not Your model. You are our ever-loving Parent, Father of us all. Grant Your wisdom to all fathers and fatherly figures to love their children as You have loved Your children.

**Many: We thank You, O God, for fatherhood and motherhood, for the blessing of parents in our lives.**

One: Abba, Father, we pray with those who are mourning the loss of fathers today, and for those absent or abusive. Ease their pain on this day, loving God. May they know

Your embrace, and that You are more than Father or Mother to us—You are the all-loving, all-caring Parent, Creator of heaven and earth, who knows the hairs on our heads.

**Many: We thank You, O God, that You are always with us, that You will never leave us or forsake us.**

One: We thank You for this day, and ask that You bless all of Your children with Your love, as a wonderful father loves their child.

**All: Amen.**

# The Prayer Jesus Taught, p. 16, Hymnal

## WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AND NEIGHBOR

\*Hymn #166, SOZ *"I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me"*

\*Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction: "Three-Fold Amen"

Postlude "Prelude in Classic Style" – Young

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