

# El Divino Salvador Presbyterian Church

2238 Belton Street, Corpus Christi, TX

Pastor, Rev Kathy Anderson

September 12, 2021 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## Opening Words and Welcome

Rev Kathy Anderson

#### Prelude

\* Call to Worship (from Psalm 116)

I love the Lord, because God has heard my voice and my supplications.

Because God heard me, I will call on God as long as I live.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous. Come let us worship God.

# \* Prayer of the Day

Unison

Almighty God, you created the heavens and the earth, and humankind in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\* <u>Hymn</u> "We Sing of Your Glory" (STF #2011)
We sing of your glory, we praise you again,
For you are eternal. Amen. Amen.

We sing of your power and honor again, For you are eternal. Amen. Amen.

A ti yo me rindo, te adoro tambien; Amor absolute. Amen. Amen.

Gloria en las Alturas y en la tierra tambien; Gloria, aleluya. Amen. Amen.

# Call to Confession

Rev. Kathy Anderson

God delivers us from paths of death and keeps our feet from stumbling. Let us confess all that keeps us from walking in the way of the Lord.

# Prayer of Confession

Unison

Holy God, we make so many mistakes. We speak, and words of poison come from our mouths. We sow division, break others down and seek to dominate rather than dialogue. Forgive us, God. Tame our tongues of fire. Guide us in our speech, so our words can bless and build up. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

(James 5:15-16)

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The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, redeemed and restored to God's path of righteousness. Thanks be to God. Amen

#### \* Hymn "More Like You"

(STF #2167)

More like you, Jesus, more like you.

Fill my heart with your desire to make me more like you.

More like you, Jesus, more like you.

Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like you.

Lord, you are my mercy. Lord, you are my grace.

All my deepest sins have forever been erased.

Draw me in your presence. Lead me in your ways.

I long to bring you glory in righteousness and praise.

More like you, Jesus, more like you.

Fill my heart with your desire to make me more like you.

More like you, Jesus, more like you.

Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like you.

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# \* Prayer for Illumination

Maggie Sandoval-Flores

Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. May we approach your Word today, Holy God, with the reverence and respect it deserves. Let us be intentional in our listening and focused in our minds as we hear your Word read and proclaimed today. Amen

\* Scripture Readings Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalm 19 James 3:1-12 Hope Infante Sara Valle Rev. Kathy Anderson

<u>Sermon</u> *"Taming the Tongue"* 

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\* Affirmation of Faith (A Brief Statement of Faith)

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The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# Call to Offering

Maggie Sandoval-Flores

A generous person will be enriched. Those who give freely will grow all the richer. Let us present our tithes and offering to our God with joy and thanksgiving in our hearts.

Please remember your financial support to your church.

Deposit your offering with the deacons as you leave worship this morning.

OR continue to mail in your offering and pledges to:

El Divino Salvador PC, P.O. Box 7671, Corpus Christi, TX 78467

# Prayer of Dedication

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Holy God, take these gifts and bless them for good use to your glory. May these tokens of our gratitude be of service in blessing the poor, feeding the hungry, clothing and sheltering those struggling to survive. Use these gifts to further Christ's mission and ministry in a hurting world. Amen

\* Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Rev Kathy Anderson

\* Charge and Benediction

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\* Closing Hymn "The Lord Bless and Keep You" (STF #2280)
The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious, gracious. The Lord bless and keep you, the Lord lift his countenance on you and give peace, give you peace. Shalom. Amen.

(Hymn Books: STF – Sing The Faith)

Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott, Presbyterian Outlook

Elder of the Month – Maggie Sandoval-Flores Deacon of the Month – Hannah De La Cerda

### **Announcements**

- TODAY, September 12, at 4:00 p.m. Nominations Committee meeting via Zoom. *Use the Sunday morning worship link for the meeting.*
- Sunday, September 19, at 3:00 p.m. Introduction to the PW Horizons 2021-2022 Bible Study, What My Grandmothers Taught Me, Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus. We will meet via Zoom. *Use the Sunday morning worship link for the meeting*.