

El Divino Salvador Presbyterian Church

2238 Belton Street, Corpus Christi, TX

Pastor, Rev Kathy Anderson

September 5, 2021

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Words and Welcome

Rev Kathy Anderson

Prelude

* Call to Worship (from Psalm 146)

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.

Come let us worship God.

* Prayer of the Day

Unison

Almighty God, you wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, and who now lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* <u>Hymn</u> "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" (GTG #203) **Refrain:**

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve, the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them. *Refrain*

Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are near us and far away. *Refrain*

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love, all these are neighbors to us and you. **Refrain**

Loving puts us on our knees, Willing to wash others' feet, this is the way we should live like you. *Refrain*

Call to Confession

Rev. Kathy Anderson God knows us completely. God knows our heart and discerns our thoughts. Let us then confess what we carry within us that does not honor God or

Prayer of Confession

God's path of righteousness.

Unison

Holy God, although we honor you with our words and worship, our hearts are often far from you. We are quick to judge, quick to exclude, quick to put others down instead of building them up. Forgive us, God. Help us amend our ways. Help us embrace the inclusive love you graciously offer us and expect us to offer others. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Book of Common Worship) Rev. Kathy Anderson The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen

* Prayer for Illumination Maggie Sandoval-Flores Open us, Eternal God, to your Word read and proclaimed. Help us not to turn from your truth, or avoid and distract ourselves from your message. Help us be receptive to the wisdom you offer in this worship moment. Amen

* Scripture Readings Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146 James 2:1-17

Amber Garza Rev. Kathy Anderson

Sermon

"If Necessary Use Words"

Rev. Kathy Anderson

Norma Garza

Unison

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

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus:

for we know that all things work together for good

for those who love God.

who are called according to God's purpose.

We are convinced that neither death, nor life,

nor angels, nor rulers,

nor things present, nor things to come,

nor powers, nor height, nor depth,

nor anything else in all creation,

will be able to separate us from the love of God

in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Hymn "Broken for Me"

(STF #2263)

Refrain

Broken for me, broken for you, The body of Jesus, broken for you.

He offered his body; he poured out his soul;

Jesus was broken that we might be whole.

Refrain

Come to my table and with me dine;

Eat of my bread and drink of my wine. *Refrain*

This is my body given for you;

eat it, remembering ... I died for you Refrain

This is my blood I shed for you,

For your forgiveness, ... making you new. **Refrain**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Call to Offering

Maggie Sandoval-Flores

We have more to offer than we recognize or realize. God has given us abundant gifts. Let us faithfully respond to our generous God by presenting our tithes and offerings 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

Unison

Holy God, how often we take for granted all that we have. How often we fail to recognize how blessed we are. Take these gifts we give in response to your generosity and use them 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.

(<u>Hymn Books</u>: GTG – Glory to God; SOP – Songs of Praise; 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

- Sunday, September 5 Communion Sunday. For those at home, please have your communion elements ready.
- Sunday, 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". Pastor Kathy will lead the study and we will meet via Zoom. Use the Sunday morning worship link for the study.